

In the midst of life

Funeral sentences

Book of Common Prayer, alt.*

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$\text{♩} = 64$ *Very sustained*
mp

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. The first system has a 4/4 time signature, a key signature of one flat (Bb), and a tempo of quarter note = 64. The music is marked 'mp' (mezzo-piano) and 'Very sustained'. The lyrics are: 'In the midst of life we are in death: of'. The second system has a 3/4 time signature and the same key signature. The lyrics are: 'whom shall we seek for com - fort, but of'. The third system has a 4/4 time signature and the same key signature. It includes a 'rall.' (rallentando) marking and a first ending (1.) followed by a second ending (2.). The lyrics are: 'thee, of thee, O Lord. Lord.'. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes, often with a sustained quality indicated by a fermata or a long note.

In the midst of life we are in death: of
mp

whom shall we seek for com - fort, but of
mp

thee, of thee, O Lord. Lord.
rall. 1. 2.

*Second Burial Service

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