

# O God, This Day We Grieve

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Leoni (Traditional Hebrew melody)

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is primarily in the treble clef, while the piano accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are arranged in four systems, each corresponding to a system of music. The lyrics are as follows:

1. O God, this day we grieve your child - ren who were lost,  
2. We grieve for those who died, for fam - ilies left be - hind,  
3. We thank you, God, for ones who brave - ly en - tered in,  
4. God, teach us all to love— and may we un - der - stand  
5. O God, u - nite us all, no mat - ter how we pray,  
and we, as one, are hor - ri - fied by ha - tred's cost.  
for those who won - der if this world can still be kind.  
to serve and to pro - tect, so ha - tred would not win—  
that ha - tred can - not have a place in this good land,  
and may we work to - geth - er for a bet - ter day—  
For peo - ple loved by you— your child - ren, called and blest—  
So ma - ny lives were changed, so ma - ny dreams were crushed.  
and for the ones who lead, we of - fer you this prayer:  
and guns can - not se - cure the peace we pray will be.  
where all may safe - ly live and have no cause for fear.  
were mur - dered on their Sab - bath Day of prayer and rest.  
There's so much ha - tred! God, what has be - come of us?  
May they be good ex - am - ples of re - spect and care.  
May we, to - geth - er build a true com - mu - ni - ty.  
May we to - geth - er seek your peace and jus - tice here.

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