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The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.  
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Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me!

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Change and decay in all around I see;  
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I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless;  
Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness,  
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.  
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