

# Switzerland

## "Schweizerpsalm" (The Swiss Psalm)

Leonhard Widmer (1809-1867)

Alberich Zwyssig (1808-1854)

♩ = 72

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### ENGLISH TRANSLATION

When the morning skies grow red  
 And o'er their radiance shed,  
 Thou, O Lord, appeareth in their light.  
 When the Alps glow bright with splendour,  
 Pray to God, to Him surrender,  
 For you feel and understand,  
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 That he dwelleth in this land.  
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**The Swiss Psalm is the current national anthem of Switzerland. It was composed in 1841 by Alberich Zwyssig to lyrics by Leonhard Widmer. Although popular as a hymn it only became the official anthem in 1981. Until then there was a different anthem set to the tune of "God Save the Queen." So when our Queen visited Switzerland "God Save the Queen" was played twice. The Swiss anthem has four sets of lyrics, one in each of the four official languages: German, French, Italian and Romansh which is spoken by 1% of the population.**