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- 1 Hear Thy children, gentle Jesus,
  While we breathe our evening prayer;
  Save us from all harm and danger,
  Take us 'neath Thy sheltering care.
- 2 Save us from the wiles of Satan, 'Mid the lone and sleepful night Sweetly may our guardian angels Keep us 'neath their watchful sight.
- 3 Gentle Jesus, look in pity
  From Thy glorious throne above:
  All the night Thy care is wakeful
  In Thy sacrament of love.
- 4 Shades of even fast are falling,
  Day is fading into gloom;
  When the shades of death fall round us,
  Lead Thy exiled children home.

- Hear thy children, gentlest Mother, Pray'rful hearts to thee arise; Hear us while our evening Ave Soars beyond the starry skies.
- 2 Dark'ning shadows fall around us,Stars their silent watches keep;Hush the heart oppress'd with sorrow,Dry the tears of those who weep.
- 3 Hear, sweet Mother, hear the weary, Borne upon life's troubled sea; Gentle guiding Star of Ocean, Lead thy children home to thee.
- 4 Still watch o'er us, dearest Mother, From thy beauteous throne above; Guard us from all harm and danger, 'Neath thy shelt'ring wings of love.

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