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**For Those in Peril on the Sea**

For Those in Peril on the Sea  
(William Whiting)

Eternal Father, strong to save  
Whose arm hath bound the restless wave.  
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep  
Its own appointed limits keep  
Oh hear us when we cry to thee  
For those in peril on the sea.

O Christ! Whose voice the waters heard  
And hushed their raging at Thy word  
Who walked'st on the foaming deep  
And calm amidst its rage didst sleep.  
Oh hear us when we cry to thee  
For those in peril on the sea.

Most Holy Spirit! Who didst brood  
Upon the chaos dark and rude,  
And bid its angry tumult cease  
And give, for wild confusion, peace  
Oh hear us when we cry to thee  
For those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and power  
Our brethren shield in danger's hour  
From rock and tempest, fire and foe  
Protect them wheresoe'er they go.  
Thus evermore shall rise to Thee  
Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

note: Written in 1860 after the Reverend William Whiting came through a fierce storm. This is the official hymn of the Naval Academy (US): the first verse closes every service.

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