LYRIC SHEET · FOR CHURCHES

The Ledger of Mercy

The Keystone Quartet · Ancient Chords New Cadence

VERSE 1

BASS/TENOR
Tick-tock, mark the block, count the cost, what is lost.
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LEAD
I went to the auditor to check on my name,

BARITONE
He pulled out a ledger that was heavy with shame!

LEAD
Every debt was recorded in a column of red,

BARITONE
A mountain of interest hanging over my head!

ALL
Calculate! Tabulate!
The total is staggering, sealing my fate!

CHORUS

ALL
But a red line was drawn through the deficit page,

TENOR
Erasing the ink of a ruinous age!

ALL
The balance is zero, the debt has been cleared,
The terrible sum has just disappeared.

BARITONE
Paid in full by the Advocate's hand,

ALL
Now the pardoned and redeemed have a place we can stand!

VERSE 2

BASS/TENOR
Tick-tock, check the clock, enemy knocks, pick the locks.
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LEAD
The enemy comes with a certified sheet,

BARITONE
Saying my failure is entirely complete!

LEAD
He points to the dates and the timeline of crimes,

BARITONE
Listing the missteps a thousand odd times!

ALL
Litigate! Agitate!
Throwing the book with a terrible weight!

CHORUS

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TENOR
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OUTRO

BASS
Tick-tock…

BARITONE
Debt drops…

TENOR
Clock stops.

ALL
Paid in full!

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