

## Hymns – Sunday, September 13, 2020

### God of the Bible - MV 28

**1. God of the Bible, God in the Gospel,  
hope seen in Jesus, hope yet to come,  
you are our centre, daylight or darkness,  
freedom or prison, you are our home.**

*Refrain (2X)*

**Fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise,  
God always faithful, you do not change.**

**2. God in our struggles, God in our hunger,  
suffering with us, taking our part,  
still you empow'r us, mothering Spirit,  
feeding, sustaining, from your own heart.**

**4. Not by your finger, not by your anger  
will our world order change in a day,  
but by your people, fearless and faithful,  
small paper lanterns, lighting the way.**

**5. Hope we must carry, shining and certain  
through all our turmoil, terror and loss,**

**bonding us gladly one to the other,  
'til our world changes facing the Cross.**

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### Come and Find the Quiet Centre – VU 374

**1. Come and find the quiet centre  
in the crowded life we lead,  
find the room for hope to enter,  
find the frame where we are freed:  
clear the chaos and the clutter,  
clear our eyes, that we can see  
all the things that really matter,  
be at peace, and simply be.**

**2. Silence is a friend who claims us,  
cools the heat and slows the pace,  
God it is who speaks and names us,  
knows our being, face to face,  
making space within our thinking,  
lifting shades to show the sun,  
raising courage when we're shrinking,  
finding scope for faith begun.**

**3. In the Spirit let us travel,  
open to each other's pain,  
let our loves and fears unravel,  
celebrate the space we gain:  
there's a place for deepest dreaming,  
there's a time for heart to care,  
in the Spirit's lively scheming  
there is always room to spare!**

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## **Like a Rock – MV 92 (sung twice)**

**Like a rock, like a rock,  
God is under our feet.  
Like the starry night sky  
God is over our head.  
Like the sun on the horizon  
God is ever before.  
Like the river runs to ocean,  
our home is in God evermore.**

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*Actions:*

*Like a rock: Extend both forearms forward, palms facing down in one movement.*

*Like the starry night sky: Wiggle fingers while slowly raising arms to head height.*

*Like the sun: Extend one forearm, palm up. With palm down, slowly extend the other hand 6" over the length of the first arm, arcing up at the end, so that the palm is facing away from the body.*

*Like the river: Leave first forearm as before. Other hand makes a "swimming" motion close to it, by weaving it gently in handshake position.*

*Evermore: End with "God's hug" - crossing arms over chest, hands to shoulders.*

## **Let Us Build a House - MV 1**

*(All are welcome)*

**1. Let us build a house where love  
can dwell and all can safely live,  
A place where saints and children  
tell how hearts learn to forgive.  
Built of hopes and dreams and  
visions, rock of faith and vault of  
grace;  
here the love of Christ shall end  
divisions:  
All are welcome, all are welcome, all  
are welcome in this place.**

**3. Let us build a house where love is  
found in water, wine and wheat;  
a banquet hall on holy ground,  
where peace and justice meet.  
Here the love of God, through Jesus,  
is revealed in time and space;  
as we share in Christ the feast that  
frees us:  
All are welcome, all are welcome, all  
are welcome in this place.**

**5. Let us build a house where all are  
named, their songs and visions  
heard  
and loved and treasured, taught and  
claimed as words within the Word.  
Built of tears and cries and laughter,  
prayers of faith and songs of grace;  
let this house proclaim from floor to  
rafter:  
All are welcome, all are welcome, all  
are welcome in this place.**

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## **Draw the Circle Wide – MV 145**

*Refrain:*

**Draw the circle wide.  
Draw it wider still.  
Let this be our song,  
No-one stands along,  
Standing side by side,  
Draw the circle wide.**

**1. God the still point of the circle,  
'Round whom all creation turns;  
Nothing lost, but held forever,  
In God's gracious arms.**

**2. Let our hearts touch far horizons,  
So encompass great and small;  
Let our loving know no borders,  
Faithful to God's call.**

**3. Let the dreams we dream be  
larger,  
Than we've ever dreamed before;  
Let the dream of Christ be in us,  
Open every door.**

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### **One More Step Along the World I Go – VU 639**

**1. One more step along the world I  
go,  
one more step along the world I go,  
from the old things to the new,  
keep me travelling along with you:**

*Refrain:*

**And it's from the old I travel to the  
new;  
keep me travelling along with you.**

**3. As I travel through the bad and  
good,  
keep me travelling the way I should;  
where I see no way to go  
you'll be telling me the way, I know:  
R**

**4. Give me courage when the world  
is rough,  
keep me loving though the world is  
tough,**

**leap and sing in all I do,  
keep me travelling along with you:  
R**

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### **Acts 10: 9-16**

**About noon the next day, as they were on their journey and approaching the city, Peter went up on the roof to pray. He became hungry and wanted something to eat; and while it was being prepared, he fell into a trance. He saw the heaven opened and something like a large sheet coming down, being lowered to the ground by its four corners. In it were all kinds of four-footed creatures and reptiles and birds of the air. Then he heard a voice saying, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But Peter said, 'By no means, Lord; for I have never eaten anything that is profane or unclean.' The voice said to him again, a second time, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times, and the thing was suddenly taken up to heaven.**