

SENDING

LET US TALENTS AND TONGUES EMPLOY – red book # 674

Verse 1

Let us talents and tongues employ,
reaching out with a shout of joy:
bread is broken, the wine is poured,
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

Chorus

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,
pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Verse 2

Christ is able to make us one,
at the table he sets the tone,
teaching people to live to bless,
love in word and in deed express.

Chorus

Verse 3

Jesus calls us in, sends us out
bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
Gives us love to tell, bread to share:
God (Immanuel) every where!

Chorus

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GATHERING HYMN

O CHRIST THE SAME – red book # 760 (tune WOV 778)

Verse 1

O Christ the same, through all our stories pages,
our loves and hopes, our failures and our fears;
eternal Lord, the king of all the ages,
unchanging still amid the passing years;
O living word, the source of all creation,
who spread the skies, and set the stars ablaze,
O Christ the same, who wrought our whole salvation,
we bring our thanks for all our yesterdays.

Verse 2

O Christ the same, the friend of sinners, sharing
our inmost thoughts, the secrets none can hide,
still as of old upon your body bearing the marks
of love, in triumph glorified;
O Son of man, who stooped for us from heaven,
O Prince of life, in all your saving power,
O Christ the same, to whom our hearts are given,
we bring our thanks for this the present hour.

Verse 3

O Christ the same, secure within whose keeping
lives and loves, our days and years remain,
our work and rest, our waking and our sleeping,
our calm and storm, our pleasure and our pain:
O Lord of love, for all our joys and sorrows,
for all our hopes, when earth shall fade and flee,
Christ the same, beyond our brief tomorrows,
we bring our thanks for all that is to be.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Don't be afraid. My love is stronger,
my love is stronger than your fear.
Don't be afraid. My love is stronger,
and I have promised, promised to be always near.

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HYMN OF THE DAY

CANTICLE OF THE TURNING – red book # 723

Verse 1

My soul cries out with a joyful shout
that the God of my heart is great,
and my spirit sings of the wondrous things
that you bring to the ones who wait.
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight,
and my weakness you did not spurn,
so from east to west shall my name be blest.
Could the world be about to turn?

Chorus

My heart shall sing of the day you bring.
Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near,
and the world is about to turn.

Verse 2

Though I am small, my God, my all,
you work great things in me,
and your mercy will last from the depths of the past
to the end of the age to be.
Your very name puts the proud to shame,
and to those who would for you yearn,
you will show your might, put the strong to flight,
for the world is about to turn.

COMMUNION

BREAD OF LIFE FROM HEAVEN– red book # 474 (vs 1,2,4)

Chorus

Bread of life from heaven
your blood and body given,
we eat this bread and drink this cup
until you come again.

Verse 1

Break now the bread of Christ's sacrifice;
giving thanks, hungry ones, gather round.
Eat, all of you, and be satisfied;
in Christ's presence the loaves will abound.

Chorus

Verse 2

Seek not the food that will pass away;
set your hearts on the food that endures.
Come learn the true and the living way,
that the fullness of life may be yours.

Chorus

Verse 4

Dwell in the one who now dwells in you;
make your home in the life giving Word.
Know only Christ, Holy One of God,
and believe in the truth you have heard.

Chorus

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OFFERTORY

GOD WHOSE GIVING KNOWS NO ENDING

– red book # 593 (tune 712)

Verse 1

God whose giving knows no ending,
from your rich and endless store:
nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom,
costly cross, grave's shattered door.
Gifted by you, we turn to you,
offering up ourselves in praise;
thankful song shall rise forever,
gracious donor of our days.

Verse 2

Skills and time are ours for pressing
toward the goals of Christ, your Son:
all at peace in health and freedom,
races joined, the church made one.
Now direct our daily labour,
lest we strive for self alone;
born with talents, make us servants
fit to answer at your throne.

Verse 3

Treasure, too, you have entrusted,
gain through powers your grace conferred;
ours to use for home and kindred,
and to spread the gospel word.
Open wide our hands in sharing,
as we heed Christ's ageless call,
healing, teaching, and reclaiming,
serving you by loving all.

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HYMN OF THE DAY – continued

Chorus

My heart shall sing of the day you bring.
Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near,
and the world is about to turn.

Verse 3

From the halls of power to the fortress tower
not a stone will be left on stone.
Let the king beware for your justice tears
every tyrant from his throne.
The hungry poor shall weep no more,
for the food they can never earn;
there are tables spread, every mouth be fed,
for the world is about to turn.

Chorus

Verse 4

Though the nations rage from age to age,
we remember who holds us fast:
God's mercy must deliver us
from the conqueror's crushing grasp.
This saving word that our forebears heard
is the promise which holds us bound,
till the spear and rod can be crushed by God,
who is turning the world around.

Chorus

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Longing for Christ's reign to come among us, we pray for the outpouring of God's power on the church, the world, and all in need. Each petition will end with Hear us, O God, and you are invited to respond with "Your mercy is great."

A brief silence is kept.

Holy God, we thank you for entrusting to us the treasures of your Kingdom and the gifts of your Holy Spirit. Thank you for your confidence in us – for commending wise risk taking and condemning fearful inaction. Give us grace to be faithful stewards of your bounty, to your glory and for the good of your people.

Hear us, O God

Your mercy is great.

Give your Church pastors, bishops and theologians who rightly and tirelessly proclaim your Word. In our Lutheran prayer cycle, we pray for the members of the National Church Council; and in our Anglican prayer cycle for the members of the Council of General Synod. Make the Church shine with the holiness and humility of Jesus, guiding many, by the light of his Cross to seek his promised forgiveness and salvation.

Hear us, O God

Your mercy is great.

Make this congregation, into a "Discipleship Boot Camp," in which we learn, strive, and grow in taking risks in your service. In our parish prayer cycle this week, we remember Sonja Patterson, Myles, Eric and Emily Patterson; Jean Phillips; Frank and Wanda Pittman; Lori Pilatzke and Jen Macklin. Help us to be daring and bold in forgiving one another; in telling others about the hope that is in us; in shining the light of Jesus' holy love to all.

Hear us, O God

Your mercy is great.

Lord of all in need, search out all who cry to you. Scatter the heavy clouds of depression, chronic illness, unemployment, and loneliness with your radiant light – especially we remember Emily Patterson and family; Nancy Whittaker; George Anderson and family; Jim Fee; Nathan and family; Rob Beadle as he heals from surgery; Susan Kuschel and for her daughter, Jen Kuschel and all the family; for Leslie and her family; and for all those we also name either aloud or in the silence of our hearts [pause]. Send us as encouragement and signs of your healing.

Hear us, O God

Your mercy is great.

Keep in your sheltering arms all those who have died. [pause]. And as you have called us to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown, we pray: Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us, until you bring us home.

Hear us, O God

Your mercy is great.

Receive our prayers in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour, until that day when you gather all creation around your throne where you will reign forever and ever. Amen.