

First Hymn

From heaven you came, helpless babe,
entered our world, your glory veiled,
not to be served, but to serve,
and give your life that we might live.

*This is our God, the Servant King,
he calls us now to follow him,
to bring our lives as a daily offering
of worship to the Servant King.*

There in the garden of tears
my heavy load he chose to bear;
his heart with sorrow was torn,
“Yet not my will, but yours,” he said.

This is our God ...

The Choir verses from Psalm 145 in four sections - we all sing the response

I will bless and praise you for ever, O my God

Come, see his hands and his feet,
the scars that speak of sacrifice,
hands that flung stars into space
to cruel nails surrendered.

This is our God ...

So let us learn how to serve
and in our lives enthrone him,
each other's needs to prefer,
for it is Christ we're serving.

This is our God ...

G. Kendrick (words & music)

Offertory hymn

Take my life and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be
swift and purposeful for thee.

Take my will, and make it thine:
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart; it is thine own:
it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure-store.
Take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

F.R. Havergal (1836-79) Tune: Nottingham

Take my voice, and let me sing
always, only, for my King.
Take my intellect, and use
every power as thou shalt choose.

Communion Hymn

God is love: his the care,
tending each, everywhere.
God is love, all is there!
Jesus came to show him,
that mankind might know him!
Sing aloud, loud, loud!
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God is good! God is truth!
God is beauty! Praise him!

None can see God above;
we can share life and love;
thus may we Godward move,
seek him in creation,
holding every nation.

Refrain

Jesus lived on the earth,
life and hope brought to birth
and affirmed human worth,
for he came to save us
by the truth he gave us.

Refrain

To our Lord praise we sing,
light and life, friend and king,

coming down, love to bring,
pattern for our duty,
showing God in beauty.

Refrain

P. Dearmer (1867-1936) Music: Personent hodie

Final Hymn

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided,
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us,
Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.

Lord, for our land, in this our generation,
spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care;
for young and old, for commonwealth and nation,
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.

Lord, for our world; when we disown and doubt him,
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain;
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him,
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.

Lord, for ourselves; in living power remake us,
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne;
past put behind us, for the future take us,
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

Timothy Dudley-Smith b 1926 Tune: Lord of the Years

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