

Opening Hymn No. 698: God of the Ages

God of the ages, whose almighty hand leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies, our grateful songs before thy throne arise.

Thy love diving hath led us in the past; In this free land with thee our lot is cast;
Be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay, thy Word our law, thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence, be thy strong arm our ever sure defense;
Thy true religion in our hearts increase; Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh thy people on their toilsome way; Lead us from night to never-ending day;
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine, and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

Communion Hymn 616: Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast

Come, sinners, to the gospel feast, let every soul be Jesus' guest.
Ye need not one be left behind, for God hath bid all humankind.

Do not begin to make excuse; ah! Do not you his grace refuse;
Your worldly cares and pleasures leave, and take what Jesus hath to give.

Come and partake the gospel feast, be saved from sin, in Jesus rest;
O taste the goodness of our God, and eat his flesh and drink his blood.

See him set forth before your eyes; behold the bleeding sacrifice;
His offered love make haste to embrace, and freely now be saved by grace.

Ye who believe his record true shall sup with him and he with you;
Come to the feast, be saved from sin, for Jesus waits to take you in.

Communion Hymn No. 593: Here I Am, Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin my hand
will save.

I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to
them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They
turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?

Refrain

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame, I will set a feast for them. My hand
will save.

Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I
send?

Refrain

Communion Hymn No. 624: Bread of the World

Bread of the world in mercy broken, wine of the soul in mercy shed,
By whom the words of life were spoken, and in whose death our sins are dead:

Look on the heart by sorrow broken, look on the tears by sinners shed;
And be thy feast to us the token that by thy grace our souls are fed.

Closing Hymn No. 670: Go Forth for God

Go forth for God, go to the world in peace;
Be of good courage, armed with heavenly grace,
In God's good Spirit daily to increase,
Till in the kingdom we see face to face.
Go forth for God, go to the world in peace.

Go forth for God, go to the world in love;
Strengthen the faint, give courage to the weak;
Help the afflicted; richly from above
God's love supplies the grace and power we seek.
Go forth for God, go to the world in love.

Go forth for God, go to the world in strength;
Hold fast the good, be urgent for the right;
Render to no one evil; Christ at length
Shall overcome all darkness with his light.
Go forth for God, go to the world in strength.

Go forth for God, go to the world in joy,
To serve God's people every day and hour,
And serving Christ, our every gift employ,
Rejoicing in the Holy Spirit's power.
Go forth for God, go to the world in joy.