

Hymns – April 14, 2024

Hymn #410 – Joyful, joyful, we adore you

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore you, God of glory, Lord of love.

Hearts unfold like flowers before you, opening to the sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away;
giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

2. All your works with joy surround you;

earth and heaven reflect your rays;

stars and angels sing around you, centre of unbroken praise.

Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain, join to praise you joyfully.

3. You are giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blessed,

well-spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest.

God Creator, Christ our Saviour, all are yours who live in love.

Teach us how to love our neighbour; lift us to your joy above.

4. Morning stars, awake the chorus; mortals, join with every part,

for what joy is set before us as Christ's love joins heart to heart!

Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife;

joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.

Hymn #722 – Lord, whose love

1. Lord, whose love through humble service
bore the weight of human need,
who upon the cross, forsaken,
offered mercy's perfect deed:
we, your servants, bring the worship
not of voice alone, but heart,
consecrating to your purpose every gift that you impart.
2. Still your children wander homeless;
still the hungry cry for bread;
still the captives long for freedom;
still in grief we mourn our dead.
As, O lord, your deep compassion
healed the sick and freed the soul,
use the love your Spirit kindles still to save and make us whole.
3. As we worship, grant us vision,
till your love's revealing light
in its height and depth and greatness
dawns upon our quickened sight,
making known the needs and burdens
your compassion bids us bear,
stirring us to tireless striving your abundant life to share.
4. Called by worship to your service,
forth in your dear name we go
to the child, the youth, the aged,
love in living deeds to show;
hope and health, good will and comfort,
counsel, aid and peace we give,
that your servants, Lord in freedom
may your mercy know, and live.

Hymn #736 – For the healing of the nations

1. For the healing of the nations,
Lord, we pray with one accord,
for a just and equal sharing
of the things that earth affords.
To a life of love in action
help us rise and pledge our word.

2. Lead us forward into freedom,
from despair your world release,
that, redeemed from war and hatred,
all may come and go in peace.
Show us how through care and goodness
fear will die and hope increase.

3. All that kills abundant living,
let it from the earth be banned:
pride of status, race or schooling,
dogmas that obscure your plan.
In our common quest for justice
may we hallow brief life's span.

4. You, Creator God, have written
your great name on humankind;
for our growing in your likeness
bring the life of Christ to mind;
that by our response and service
earth its destiny may find.