St Laurence Frodsham – Sunday Worship Hymns 10th January 2021

God is our strength from days of old, and now our hope will be.
He loves us with a love profound, and longs to set us free.

Just as a mother loves and holds the baby at the breast, so God will hold his people close, and we in him may rest.

He clothes the flowers in glory bright, he sees the sparrow fall, and overflows with saving love for us who 'Abba!' call.

So, with no fear or vain reproach, his saving grace we own, and trusting only him, prepare to stand before his throne.

Michael Forster

Come down, O Love divine,

Seek thou this soul of mine, And visit it with thine own ardour glowing; O comforter, draw near, Within my heart appear, And kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,
Till earthly passions turn
To dust and ashes, in its heat consuming;
And let thy glorious light
Shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity
Mine outward vesture be,
And lowliness become mine inner clothing;
True lowliness of heart,
Which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong,
With which the soul will long,
Shall far outpass the power of human telling;
For none can guess its grace,
Till he become the place
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

Bianco da Siena (died 1434) tr. Richard Littledale (1833-1890)

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name;

I've been born again in Jesus' name, and in Jesus' name I come to you to share His love as He told me to. He said: 'Freely, freely you have received, freely, freely give; go in My name and because you believe, others will know that I live.'

All power is given in Jesus' name in earth and heaven in Jesus' name; and in Jesus' name I come to you to share His power as He told me to. Chorus

Carol Owens (born 1931)

Additional Music:

Benedictus (Margaret Rizza)
Freely, Freely (Harding University Choir)
Come down O Love Divine (Fernando Ortega)