

Hymn #450 ***You Call us Lord, to Be***

You call us, Lord, to be a people set apart,
to feel with thoughtful mind
and think with tender heart.
Thus chosen now, O Lord, we ask
for faith in your unfailing grace
to make us equal to the task.

You call us, Lord, to care for self and neighbour too,
to take the risk, and dare to show what love can do.
Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask
for faith in your unfailing grace
to make us equal to the task.

You call us, Lord, to be good stewards of the earth;
to tend it as a place of blessedness and worth.
Thus, chosen, now, O Lord, we ask
for faith in your unfailing grace
to make us equal to the task.

You call us, Lord, to serve; to die that we may live,
to know we best receive when joyfully we give.
Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask
for faith in your unfailing grace
to make us equal to the task.

Hymn #259 For the Fruit of All Creation

For the fruit of all creation,
thanks be to God;
gifts bestowed on every nation,
thanks be to God.

For the ploughing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping,
thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labour,
God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbour,
God's will is done.
In our worldwide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.

For the harvests of the Spirit,
thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit,
thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit,
thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all, that love has found us,
thanks be to God.

Communion Hymn #487

Where Charity and Love Prevail

Where charity and love prevail,
there God is ever found;
brought here together by Christ's love,
by love are we thus bound.

With grateful joy and holy fear
his charity we learn;
let us with heart and mind and strength
now love him in return.

Forgive we now each other's faults
as we our faults confess;
and let us love each other well
in Christian holiness.

Let strife among us be unknown,
let all contention cease;
be his the glory that we seek,
be ours his holy peace.

Let us recall that in our midst
dwells God's begotten Son;
as members of his body joined,
we are in him made one.

Love can exclude no race or creed
if honoured be God's name;
our common life embraces all
whose Father is the same.

Hymn#88

Come, Thou Long-expected Jesus

Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us;
let us find our rest in thee.

Israel's strength and consolation,
hope of all the earth thou art;
dear desire of every nation,
joy of every longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver;
born a child and yet a King;
born to reign in us forever:
now thy gracious kingdom bring.

By thine own eternal Spirit,
rule in all our hearts alone;
by thine all-sufficient merit,
raise us to thy glorious throne.