

Opening Hymn #325 Angel-Voices, Ever Singing

*Angel-voices ever singing
round Thy throne of light,
angel-harps, forever ringing,
rest not day nor night;
thousands only live to bless thee,
and confess thee, Lord of might!*

*Yea, we know that thou rejoicest
o'er each work of thine;
thou didst ears and hands and voices
for thy praise design;
artist's craft and music's measure
for thy pleasure all combine.*

*In thy house, great God, we offer
of thine own to thee;
and for thine acceptance proffer,
in humility,
hearts and minds and hands and voices,
in our choicest psalmody.*

*Honour, glory, might, and merit,
thine shall ever be,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
blessèd Trinity!
Of the best that thou hast given
earth and heaven render thee.*

Hymn #30 God, that Madest Earth and Heaven

*God, that madest earth and heaven,
darkness and light;
who the day for toil hast given,
for rest, the night;
may thine angel-guards defend us,
slumber sweet your mercy send us,
holy dreams and hopes attend us,
this livelong night.*

*Guard us waking, guard us sleeping,
and, when we die,
may we in thy mighty keeping
all peaceful lie:
when the last dread call shall wake us,
do not thou our God forsake us,
but to reign in glory take us
with thee on high.*

Offertory Hymn #29 The Day Thou Gavest

*The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended;
the darkness falls at thy behest.
To thee our morning hymns ascended;
thy praise shall sanctify our rest.*

*We thank thee that thy Church, unsleeping
while earth rolls onward into light,
through all the world her watch is keeping
and rests not now by day or night.*

*As o'er each continent and island
the dawn leads on another day,
the voice of prayer is never silent,
nor dies the strain of praise away.*

*The sun that bids us rest is waking
thy faithful 'neath the western sky,
and hour by hour fresh lips are making
thy wondrous doings heard on high.*

*So be it, Lord! Thy throne shall never,
like earth's proud empires, pass away;
thy kingdom stands and grows forever,
till all thy creatures own thy sway.*