

Opening Hymn #14
O Gracious Light, Lord Jesus Christ

*O gracious Light, Lord Jesus Christ,
in you the Father's glory shone.
immortal, holy, blest is he,
and blest are you, his holy son.*

*Now sunset comes, but light shines forth;
the lamps are lit to pierce the night.
praise Father, Son and Spirit: God
who dwells in the eternal light.*

*Worthy are you of endless praise
O Son of God, life-giving Lord;
wherefore you are through all the earth
and in the highest heaven adored.*

Office Hymn #20 Day is Done, But Love Unfailing

*Day is done, but love unfailing
dwells ever here;
shadows fall, but hope prevailing,
calms every fear.*

*God, our maker, none forsaking,
take our hearts, of love's own making,
watch our sleeping, guard our waking,
be always near.*

*Dark descends, but light unending
shines through our night;
you are with us, ever lending
new strength to sight.*

*One in love, your truth confessing,
one in hope of heaven's blessing,
may we see, in love's possessing,
love's endless light!*

*Eyes will close, but you, unsleeping
watch by our side;
death may come, in love's safekeeping
still we abide.*

*God of love, all evil quelling,
sin forgiving, fear dispelling,
stay with us, our hearts indwelling,
this eventide.*

Closing 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 die the strains of praise away.*

*The sun that bids us is waking
thy faithful 'neath the western sky,
and hour by hour fresh lips are making
they 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.*