

## Hymns and Songs - 2nd October, 2022

### **Christ, whose glory fills the skies,**

Christ, the true, the only light,  
Sun of righteousness, arise,  
Triumph o'er the shades of night:  
Day-spring from on high, be near;  
Day-star in my heart appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn  
Unaccompanied by Thee;  
Joyless is the day's return,  
Till Thy mercy's beams I see;  
Till they inward light impart,  
Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine;  
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;  
Fill me, radiance divine;  
Scatter all my unbelief;  
More and more Thyself display,  
Shining to the perfect day.

### **Father, hear the prayer we offer**

Not for ease that prayer shall be,  
But for strength, that we may ever  
Live our lives courageously.

Not for ever in green pastures  
Do we ask our way to be:  
But by steep and rugged  
pathways  
Would we strive to climb to Thee.

Not for ever by still waters  
Would we idly quiet stay;  
But would smite the living  
fountains  
From the rocks along our way.

Be our strength in hours of  
weakness,  
In our wanderings be our Guide;  
Through endeavour, failure,  
danger,  
Father, be Thou at our side.

Let our path be bright or dreary,  
Storm or sunshine be our share;  
May our souls, in hope unwearied,  
Make Thy work our ceaseless  
prayer.

**We have a gospel to proclaim,**  
Good news for all throughout the  
earth;

The gospel of a Saviour's name:  
We sing His glory, tell His worth.

Tell of His birth at Bethlehem,  
Not in a royal house or hall  
But in a stable dark and dim:  
The Word made flesh, a light for  
all.

Tell of His death at Calvary,  
Hated by those He came to save;  
In lonely suffering on the cross  
For all He loved His life He gave.

Tell of the glorious Easter morn:  
Empty the tomb, for He was free.  
He broke the power of death and  
hell  
That we might share His victory.

Tell of His reign at God's right hand,  
By all creation glorified;  
He sends His Spirit on His Church  
To live for Him, the Lamb who  
died.

Now we rejoice to name Him  
King:  
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.  
This gospel message we  
proclaim:  
We sing His glory, tell His worth.

### **Alleluia, Alleluia,**

*Give thanks to the risen Lord,  
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His  
name.*

Jesus is Lord of all the earth,  
He is the King of creation.

### *Chorus*

Spread the good news o'er all the  
earth,  
Jesus has died and has risen.

### *Chorus*

We have been crucified with Christ,  
Now we shall live for ever.

### *Chorus*

God has proclaimed the just  
reward,  
Life for all men, alleluia!

### *Chorus*

Come let us praise the living  
God,  
Joyfully sing to our Saviour.

### *Chorus*

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### **O Jesus, I have promised**

To serve Thee to the end;  
Be Thou for ever near me,  
My Master and my Friend;  
I shall not fear the battle  
If Thou art by my side,  
Nor wander from the pathway  
If Thou wilt be my Guide.

O let me feel Thee near me;  
The world is ever near;  
I see the sights that dazzle,  
The tempting sounds I hear;  
My foes are ever near me,  
Around me and within;  
But Jesus, draw Thou nearer,  
And shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear Thee speaking  
In accents clear and still,  
Above the storms of passion,  
The murmurs of self-will;  
O speak to reassure me,  
To hasten, or control;  
O speak, and make me listen,  
Thou Guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, Thou hast promised  
To all who follow Thee  
That where Thou art in glory  
There shall Thy servants be;  
And Jesus, I have promised  
To serve Thee to the end;  
O give me grace to follow  
My Master and my Friend.

O let me see Thy footmarks,  
And in them plant my own;  
My hope to follow duly  
Is in Thy strength alone.  
O guide me, call me, draw me,  
Uphold me to the end;  
And then in heaven receive me,  
My Saviour and my Friend.