

HYMN SHEET



*Hymn of Praise

Morning Has Broken

Traditional Gaelic melody

- Morning has broken like the first morning; blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
 Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
 Praise for them springing fresh from the Word!
- Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven, like the first dewfall on the first grass.
 Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden, sprung in completeness where his feet pass.
 - Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning born of the one light Eden saw play!
 Praise with elation, praise every morning, God's recreation of the new day! (Words: Eleanor Farjeon, 1931)

Hymn of Reflection

I Sing the Mighty Power of God 18th century German

- I sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise,
 That spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies.
 I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;
 The moon shines full at God's command, and all the stars obey.
- 2. I sing the goodness of our God that filled the earth with food; God formed the creatures with a word, and then pronounced them good. Oh, how your wonders are displayed, where'er I turn my eye: If I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky!
 - 3. On earth there's not a plant or flower but makes your glory known. The clouds arise and spread their showers by order from your throne.

 All life is but a gift from you and ever in your care;

 Wherever people gather, you, O God, are present there.

 (Music: German melody, 1784; words: Isaac Watts, 1715, alt.)



*Hymn of Departure

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You

Beethoven

- Joyful, joyful, we adore you, God of glory, God of love;
 Hearts unfold like flowers before you, opening to the sun above.
 Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the storms of doubt away;
 Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.
- 2. All your works with joy surround you, earth and heaven reflect your rays, Stars and angels sing around you, center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea, Chanting bird and flowing fountain, teach us what our praise should be.
 - 3. You are giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blessed, Wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest! Loving Spirit, Father, Mother, all who love belong to you; Teach us how to love each other, by that love our joy renew.
 - 4. Mortals, join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began; Boundless love is reigning o'er us, reconciling race and clan. Ever singing, move we forward, faithful in the midst of strife, Joyful music leads us onward in the triumph song of life. (Music: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824; words: Henry van Dyke, 1907, alt.)