

GIFT OF FINEST WHEAT

CBW III #603

Refrain You satisfy the hungry heart
With gift of finest wheat;
Come give to us, O Saving Lord,
The Bread of Life to eat.

1 As when the shepherd calls his sheep,
They know and heed his voice;
So when you call your family Lord,
They follow and rejoice. **R.**

2 With joyful lips, we sing to you
Our praise and gratitude:
That you should count us worthy Lord,
To share this Heavenly food. **R.**

3 Is not the cup we bless and share
The blood of Christ outpoured?
Does not one cup, one loaf declare
Our Oneness in the Lord? **R.**

4 The myst'ry of your presence, Lord, no
mortal tongue can tell, whom all the world
cannot contain, comes in our hearts to
dwell. **R.**

5 You give yourself to us, O Lord; then
selfless let us be, to serve each other in your
name in truth and charity. **R.**

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HOW GREAT THOU ART

CBW III #554

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made;
I see the Stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

R: Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to thee how great thou art! How great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze.

When Christ shall come with shouts of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my
heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration And there proclaim, my God how great thou art!

Translation: John E. Rothensteiner, 1860-1936, alt. Tune: GOTT VATER – Maintzisch Gesangbuch, 1661

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

CBW II #630

1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God
Almighty! Early in the morning
Our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy!
Merciful and mighty: God in three persons,
Blessed Trinity!

2. Holy, holy, holy! Though the
darkness hide thee, Though the eye of

sinful man Thy glory may not see,
Only Thou art holy, There is none beside
Thee: Perfect in power, in love and purity.

3. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty
Oh thy works shall praise Thy name
In earth and sky and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty:
God in three persons, Blessed Trinity!

Reginald Heber, 1783-1826; based on Rev. 4:8-11

Tune: NICAEA – John Bacchus Dykes, 1823-76

LORD OF ALL HOPEFULNESS**CBW III 497**

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
 whose trust ever child-like, no cares can
 destroy. Be there at our waking, and give us,
 we pray, your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the
 break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, whose
 strong hands were skilled at the plane and
 the lathe, Be there at our labors, and give us,
 we pray, your strength in our hearts, Lord, at
 the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace, your
 hands swift to welcome, your arms to
 embrace, Be there at our homing, and give
 us, we pray, your love in our hearts, Lord, at
 the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
 whose voice is contentment, whose presence
 is balm. Be there at our sleeping, and give us,
 we pray, your peace in our hearts, Lord, at
 the end of the day.

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THIS DAY GOD GIVES ME**CBW III 650**

This day God gives me, strength of high heaven,
 Sun and moon shining, flame in my hearth,
 Flashing of lightning, wind in its swiftness,
 Deeps of the ocean, firmness of earth.

God's way is my way; God's shield is round
 me, God's host defends me, saving from ill.
 Angels of heaven, drive from me always
 All that would harm me stand by me still.

This day God sends me, strength to sustain
 me, Might to uphold me, wisdom as guide.
 Your eyes are watchful; your ears are list'ning,
 Your lips are speaking, friend at my side.

Rising I thank you, mighty and strong One,
 King of creation, Giver of rest.
 Firmly confessing, threeness of Persons,
 Oneness of Godhead, Trinity blest.

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FORGIVE OUR SINS AS WE FORGIVE**CBW III 620**

Forgive our sins as we forgive,
 You taught us, Lord, to pray,
 But you alone can grant us grace
 To live the words we say.

In blazing light your cross reveals
 The truth we dimly knew.
 What trivial debts are owed to us,
 How great our debt to you!

How can your pardon reach and bless
 The unforgiving heart
 That broods on wrongs and will not let
 Old bitterness depart?

Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls
 And bid resentment cease,
 Then, bound to all in bonds of love,
 Our lives will spread your peace.

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Tune: DUNFERMLINE, CM; Scottish Psalter, 1615