Introduction

Hymnals contain prayers, creeds, psalms, and songs for God’s people. This hymnal is designed to be a child’s first hymnal—a book filled with the Church’s song and with illustrations that together tell the story of Jesus and His Church.

Jesus comes into the flesh to serve us. On the cross He offered Himself to be our sacrifice for the sins of the world. Through His perfect life, ministry, death, and resurrection, Jesus gives to His children grace, mercy, forgiveness, and eternal life.

Families are encouraged to use this as a devotional resource that teaches children about Jesus through the songs of the Church Year.

Sing and make melody to the Lord with your heart!
Ephesians 5:19b, adapted
The Church Year

The Church Year unfolds in days, weeks, months, and seasons. These seasons unpack the truth of the Holy Scriptures, which tell about the promises, life, redemption, and forgiveness we, as children, have in Jesus. Different colors, symbols, and images remind us of the mystery and holiness of God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens!

**Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness!**

Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!

Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!

**Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness!**

Praise him with sounding cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord!

**Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness!**
Ah, dearest Jesus, holy Child,  
Prepare a bed, soft, undefiled,  
A quiet chamber set apart  
For You to dwell within my heart.  
*From Heaven Above to Earth I Come, st. 13*

Jesus, Savior, wash away  
All that has been wrong today;  
Help me ev’ry day to be  
Good and gentle, more like Thee.  
*Now the Light Has Gone Away, st. 2*

**Luther’s Evening Prayer**

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ,  
Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day;  
and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I  
have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For  
into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul,  
and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the  
evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.
Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
Savior of the Nations, Come

1 Savior of the nations, come,
2 Here a maid was found with child,
3 Then stepped forth the Lord of all
4 From the manger new-born light

Vir-gin’s Son, make here Your home!
Yet re-mained a vir-gin mild.
From His pure and king-ly hall;
Shines in glo-ry through the night.

Mar-vel now, O heav’n and earth,
In her womb this truth was shown:
God of God, yet ful-ly man,
Dark-ness there no more re-sides;

That the Lord chose such a birth.
God was there up-on His throne.
His her-o-ic course be-gan.
In this light faith now a-bides.
As with Gladness Men of Old

1 As with gladness men of old
2 As they offered gifts most rare
3 Holy Jesus, every day

Did the guiding star behold;
At Thy cradle, rude and bare,
Keep us in the narrow way;

As with joy they hailed its light,
So may we with holy joy,
And when earthly things are past,

Lead on ward, beam ing bright;
Pure and free from sin's alloy,
Bring our ransomed souls at last

So, most gracious Lord, may we
All our costliest treasures bring,
Where they need no star to guide,

Ev er more be led by Thee.
Christ, to Thee, our heav'nly King.
Where no clouds Thy glory hide.
All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Refrain
All glory, laud, and honor To You, Redeemer, King, To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.

1 You are the King of Israel And praise You on high. And we with all creation the prayers we bring, O Source of every blessing, Our King and Blessed One.
2 The company of angels Is. And we with all creation the prayers we bring, O Source of every blessing, Our King and Blessed One.
3 As You received their praises, Ac- David’s royal Son, Now in the Lord’s name and blessing, Our King and Blessed One.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.
Beautiful Savior

1 Beau-ti-ful Sav-ior, King of cre-a-tion,
    Son of Man! Tru-ly I’d bloom-ing spring;
    Son of God and love Thee, Tru-ly I’d serve Thee,
    Son of God and

2 Fair are the mead-ows, Fair are the wood-lands,
    Robed in flow’rs of moon-light, Bright the spar-king
    fair-er, Je-sus is pur-er, He makes our sor-’wing spir-it sing.
    Son of God and

3 Fair is the sun-shine, Fair is the na-tions,
    Son of flow’rs of God and Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
    Son of God and

4 Beau-ti-ful Sav-ior, Lord of the a-tion, Son of God and
    Son of God and

                        Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
                        He makes our sor-’wing spir-it sing.
                        Praise, ad-o-ra-tion
                        Now and for-ev-er-more be Thine!
Have No Fear, Little Flock

1 Have no fear, little flock; Have no fear, little flock, For the Father has chosen To give you the Kingdom; Have no fear, little flock!
2 Have good cheer, little flock; Have good cheer, little flock, For the Father will keep you In His love forever; Have good cheer, little flock! lift and restore you; Praise the Lord high above! all things works with you; Thankful hearts raise to God!
3 Praise the Lord high above; Praise the Lord high above, For He stoops down to heal you, Uphearts raise to God, For He stays close beside you, In those who by deceit or sword Would wrest the kingdom from Your Son And bring to naught all He has done.
4 Thankful hearts raise to God; Thankful hearts raise to God, For the Father has chosen To bless You and mislead You, Praise the Lord high above! all things works with you; Thankful hearts raise to God!

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

1 Lord, keep us steadfast in Your Word; Curb those who by deceit or sword Would wrest the kingdom from Your Son And bring to naught all He has done.
2 Lord Jesus Christ, Your pow’r make known, For You are Lord of lords alone; De peace and unity on earth; Sup port us in our final strife And sing Your praise eternally.
3 O Comforter of price less worth, Send those who by deceit or sword Would wrest the kingdom from Your Son And bring to naught all He has done.
4 Lord, keep us steadfast in Your Word; Curb those who by deceit or sword Would wrest the kingdom from Your Son And bring to naught all He has done.
See This Wonder in the Making

1 See this wonder in the making: God Him-
2 Miracle each time it happens As the
3 Far more tender than a mother, Far more
4 Here we bring a child of nature; Home we

self this child is taking As a
door to heaven opens And the
caring than a father, God, in-
take a new-born creature, Now God's

lamb safe in His keeping, His to
Father beams, "Beloved, Heir of
to Your arms we place him/her/them, With Your
precious son or daughter, Born a-

be, awake or sleeping,
gifts a king would covet!"
love and peace embrace him/her/them.
gain by Word and water.

Cling Tightly to the Word of God

1 Cling tightly to the Word of God And
2 Recall in faith the precious gift Of

Christ's disciple be; For
your baptismal day, When
then, beloved, you will know The
you were joined to Jesus' death That

truth that sets you free, The
washed your sins away, That

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