

## Hymn lyrics 6/5/22

Hymn # 39     Bring, O Morn, Thy Music

Verse 1

Bring, O morn, thy music! Night, thy starlit silence!  
Oceans, laugh in rapture to the storm-winds coursing free!  
Suns and planets chorus, praise to Thee, Most Holy —  
Who was, and is, and evermore shall be.

Verse 2

Life and death, thy creatures, praise thee, mighty Giver!  
Praise and prayer are rising in thy beast and bird and tree:  
Lo! they praise and vanish, vanish at thy bidding —  
Who was, and is, and evermore shall be.

Verse 3

Life nor death can part us, O thou Love eternal,  
Shepherd of the wandering star and souls that wayward flee!  
Homeward draws the spirit to thy Spirit yearning —  
Who was, and is, and evermore shall be.

#16     Tis a Gift to Be Simple

‘Tis a gift to be simple, ‘tis a gift to be free,  
‘tis a gift to come down where we ought to be,  
and when we find ourselves in the place just right,  
‘twill be in the valley of love and delight.

When true simplicity is gained,  
to bow and to bend we shan’t be ashamed.  
To turn, turn will be our delight,  
‘till by turning, turning we come ‘round right.

Hymn #298    Wake, Now, My Senses

Verse 1)

Wake, now, my senses, and hear the earth call;  
feel the deep power of being in all;  
keep, with the web of creation your vow,  
giving, receiving as love shows us how.

Verse 2)

Wake, now, my reason, reach out to the new;  
join with each pilgrim who quests for the true;  
honor the beauty and wisdom of time;  
suffer thy limit, and praise the sublime.

Verse 3)

Wake, now, compassion, give heed to the cry;  
voices of suffering fill the wide sky;  
take as your neighbor both stranger and friend,  
praying and striving their hardship to end.

Verse 4)

Wake, now, my conscience, with justice thy guide;  
join with all people whose rights are denied;  
take not for granted a privileged place;  
God's love embraces the whole human race.

Verse 5)

Wake, now, my vision of ministry clear;  
brighten my pathway with radiance here;  
mingle my calling with all who will share;  
work toward a planet transformed by our care.