

**A Liturgy for the
INSTALLATION
of
The Right Reverend Daniel Gifford
as
The Diocesan Bishop
of
*The Anglican Network In Canada***

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The Church of St Peter and St Paul, Ottawa



**Anglican Network
in Canada**

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The Processional Hymns

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is His new creation by water and the Word:
From heav'n He came and sought her to be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation, One Lord, one faith, one birth,
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses with every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed:
Yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, 'How long?'
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with Thee.

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent word!
What more can He say than to you He hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, he is with thee; O be not dismayed!
For he is thy God, and will still give thee aid;
He'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by his righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters He calls thee to go,
The rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
For He will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
His grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply
The flame shall not hurt thee: his only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
He will not, he will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
He never will leave and will never forsake.

The Recognition and Installation of a Diocesan Bishop

The people remain standing.

The Bishop Coadjutor shall knock three times on the door, saying

Open unto me the gates of righteousness,*
that I may go into them, and give thanks unto the Lord.

Psalm 118:19

The Rector opens the door, and says

He who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the gatekeeper opens. *John 10:2b-3*

The Bishop Coadjutor shall enter the Church, stopping inside the Door.

The Petition

Then he shall make his Petition as follows.

I, Daniel Gifford, whom God has ordained to be a Shepherd and Servant, whom also you have chosen to be the Diocesan Bishop of this, the Anglican Network in Canada, come desiring to be welcomed and received as the Diocesan Bishop of the Anglican Network in Canada.

The Rector then welcomes the bishop, saying

Daniel, Bishop in the Church of God, and our Bishop, on behalf of the clergy and people of the Diocese of the Anglican Network in Canada, we welcome you, as you come to take the spiritual possession of our Diocese.

The Rector and Wardens then escort the Bishop Coadjutor to the chancel steps.

The Installation

The Bishop Coadjutor and the incumbent Bishop stand together before the Congregation, The incumbent Bishop presents the Bishop Coadjutor with the Diocesan Cope and Crozier saying,

I, Charles Masters, Second Bishop of the Anglican Network in Canada, hereby relinquish my spiritual authority as Bishop of this Diocese, and on behalf of this diocese, I receive and acknowledge you to be the Bishop of the same.

The Diocesan Bishop, vested in the Diocesan Cope, and with the pastoral staff, shall take this oath

I, Daniel Gifford, Bishop in the Church of God, now inducted and acknowledged by you to be the bishop of this Diocese, receive this staff at your hands as the pledge of my institution and the spiritual authority committed to me, and I promise to be a faithful shepherd, so help me God.

The former Bishop may then pray for the Diocesan Bishop, saying,

Let us pray.

O God of great power and unsearchable understanding, wonderful in all your counsels toward all whom you have made: Fill with the gift of the Holy Spirit Daniel, whom you have called to undertake this ministry. Make him worthy to stand before your altar with integrity, to proclaim the Gospel of your Kingdom, to administer the Word of your truth, to offer gifts and spiritual sacrifices to you, and to renew your people in the font of your rebirth; that at the Second Coming of your only-begotten Son, he may go forth to meet him, and by the multitude of your mercies receive his reward. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Hymns of Praise

**Come, Thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above:
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of Thy redeeming love.**

**Here I raise mine Ebenezer, hither by Thy help I'm come
And I hope by Thy good pleasure safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God.
He to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood**

**O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy grace Lord like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to Thee.
Prone to wander, Lord I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, Lord take and seal it; seal it for Thy courts above.**

**In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light my strength my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease;
My Comforter, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.**

**In Christ alone who took on flesh; fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness scorned by the ones He came to save;
Till on that cross as Jesus died the wrath of God was satisfied;
For every sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.**

**There in the ground His body lay; Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious Day, up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ!**

**No guilt in life, no fear in death; this is the power of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand!**

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says,

The Lord be with you.

People

And with your spirit.

Bishop

Let us pray.

Then the Bishop says the Collect .

Most gracious Father, the Giver of all good and perfect gifts, in your wise providence you appoint leaders for the mission of your Church: Give grace to this your servant, to whom the charge of this Diocese is now given: so empower him with the truth of sound doctrine, and endue him with holiness of life, that he may faithfully serve before you to the glory of your great Name, and the benefit of your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson - Joshua 1:7-9

The People sit. The Reader says,

A Reading from the Book of Joshua, the first chapter, beginning at the ninth verse.

Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to do according to all the law that Moses my servant commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may have good success wherever you go. This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.”

After the Lesson the Reader says,

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm 43 - *Judica me, Deus!*

- 1 Give judgment for me, O God, and defend my cause against the ungodly people; *
O deliver me from the deceitful and the wicked.
- 2 For you are the God of my strength; why have you put me far from you? *
And why do I go about with heaviness, while the enemy oppresses me?
- 3 O send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, *
and bring me to your holy hill, and to your dwelling;
- 4 That I may go to the altar of God, even to the God of my joy and gladness; *
and on the harp will I give thanks to you, O God, my God.

5 Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul, *
and why are you so disquieted within me?

6 O put your trust in God, *
for I will yet give him thanks, who is the help of my countenance, and my God..

The Second Lesson - Romans 12:1-8

The Reader says,

A Reading from St Paul's Epistle to the Romans , the twelfth chapter, beginning at the first verse.

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

After the Lesson the Reader says,

People The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Gospel - St. John 15:9-16

All stand and sing,

**Speak, O Lord, as we come to You to receive the food of Your holy word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all Your purposes for Your glory.**

All standing, the Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying

People The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you.

After the Gospel, the Reader says

People The Gospel of the Lord.
 Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The hymn continues,

**Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time that will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises, and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built and the earth is filled with Your glory.**

The Creed

On Sundays, other Major Feast Days, and other times as appointed, all stand to recite the Nicene Creed, the Celebrant first saying

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

Celebrant and People

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Sermon

The Most Reverend Foley Beach - Primate of the Anglican Church in North America

The Hymn

During the Offertory a hymn is sung.

**“Great is Thy faithfulness,” O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.**

***“Great is Thy faithfulness!” “Great is Thy faithfulness!”
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided—
“Great is Thy faithfulness,” Lord, unto me!***

**Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.**

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!**

When the tithes and offerings are presented at the Altar, the Celebrant says,

Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O LORD,

People

And of your own have we given you.

1 CHRONICLES 29:11, 14T

The Prayers of the People

The Deacon or a member of the Congregation leads the Prayers of the People, saying
Let us pray.

All kneel as able. Each petition will end with,
In your covenant mercy, **Hear us, good Lord.**

After a period of silence, the Bishop concludes with the following prayer

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Confession and Absolution of Sin

The Deacon or other person appointed says the following

All who truly and earnestly repent of your sins, and seek to live in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking in his holy ways: draw near with faith and make your humble confession to Almighty God.

Silence

The Deacon and People kneel as able and pray

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker and judge of us all: We acknowledge and lament our many sins and offenses, which we have committed by thought, word, and deed against your divine majesty, provoking most justly your righteous anger against us. We are deeply sorry for these our transgressions; the burden of them is more than we can bear. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may evermore serve and please you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Comfortable Words

The Celebrant then says the following sentences, first saying

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. MATTHEW 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not

perish but have eternal life.

JOHN 3:16T

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 TIMOTHY 1:15

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 JOHN 2:1-2T

The Sursum Corda

The Celebrant faces them and says

Lift up your hearts.

People

We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues,

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus & Benedictus

Celebrant and People

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might: Heaven and earth of Your glory are full.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

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Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might: Heaven and earth of Your glory are full.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest!

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest!

The Prayer of Humble Access

Celebrant and People together say

We do not presume to come to this your table, **O** merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Prayer of Consecration

The People kneel. The Celebrant continues

All praise and glory is yours, O God our heavenly Father, for in your tender mercy, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption. He made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and he instituted, and in his Holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

So now, O merciful Father, in your great goodness, we ask you to bless and sanctify, with your Word and Holy Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine, that we, receiving them according to your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

For on the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it,* and gave it to his disciples, saying,

“TAKE, EAT; THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU:
DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.” †

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying,

“DRINK THIS, ALL OF YOU; FOR THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT, WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU, AND FOR MANY, FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS: WHENEVER YOU DRINK IT, DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.” †

Amen.

The Ministration of Communion

The Ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the People.

During the ministration of Communion, hymns, psalms, or anthems may be sung.

Your will be done, my God and Father, as in heaven so on earth.
My heart is drawn to self-exalting, help me seek Your kingdom first.
As Jesus walked, so shall I walk, held by Your same unchanging love.
Be still my soul, O lift your voice and pray, Father not my will but Yours be done.

How in that garden he persisted, I may never fully know,
The fearful weight of true obedience, it was held by him alone.
What wondrous faith to bear that cross, to bear my sin, what wondrous love,
My hope was sure when there my Saviour prayed, Father not my will but Yours be done.

When I am lost ,when I am broken, in the night of fear and doubt,
Still I will trust in my good Father, yes, to the one great King I bow.
As Jesus rose, so I shall rise, in ransomed glory at the throne.
My heart restored with all Your saints I sing, Father not my will but Yours be done.

As we go forth, our God and Father, lead us daily in the fight,
That all the world might see Your glory, and Your Name be lifted high,
And in this Name we overcome, for You shall see us safely home.
Now as Your church, we lift our voice and pray, Father not my will but Yours be done.

*And in this Name we overcome, for You shall see us safely home.
Now as Your church we lift our voice and pray, Father not my will but Yours be done,
Father not my will but Yours be done, Father not my will but Yours be done.*

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer, there is no more for heaven now to give,
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom, my steadfast love my deep and boundless peace.

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus, for my life is wholly bound to his,
Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine, yet not I but through Christ in me.

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken, for by my side the Saviour he will stay,
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing, for in my need his power is displayed.

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me, through the deepest valley he will lead,
Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome, yet not I but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven, the future sure the price it has been paid.
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon, and he was raised to overthrow the grave.

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated, Jesus now and ever is my plea.
Oh the chains are released, I can sing I am free, yet not I but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus, for he has said that he will bring me home,
And day by day I know he will renew me, until I stand with joy before the throne.

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus, all the glory evermore to him.
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat yet not I but through Christ in me

When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat, yet not I but through Christ in me
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In the darkness we were waiting, without hope without light,
Till from Heaven You came running, there was mercy in Your eyes.

To fulfil the law and prophets, to a virgin came the Word,
From a throne of endless glory, to a cradle in the dirt.

*Praise the Father, praise the Son, praise the Spirit - three in one
God of Glory, Majesty, praise forever to the King of kings!*

To reveal the kingdom coming, and to reconcile the lost,
To redeem the whole creation, You did not despise the cross.

For even in Your suffering, You saw to the other side,
Knowing this was our salvation, Jesus for our sake You died.

*Praise the Father, praise the Son, praise the Spirit - three in one
God of Glory, Majesty, praise forever to the King of kings!*

And the morning that You rose, all of heaven held its breath,
Till that stone was moved for good, for the Lamb had conquered death.

And the dead rose from their tombs, and the angels stood in awe,
For the souls of all who'd come, to the Father are restored.

And the Church of Christ was born, then the Spirit lit the flame,
Now this Gospel truth of old, shall not kneel shall not faint.

By His blood and in His Name, in His freedom I am free,
For the love of Jesus Christ, Who has resurrected me.

*Praise the Father, praise the Son, praise the Spirit - three in one
God of Glory, Majesty, praise forever to the King of kings!*

The Lord's Prayer

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

Celebrant and People together pray

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The Celebrant continues,

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us, through this Sacrament, of your favor and goodness towards us: that we are true members of the mystical body of your Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of your everlasting kingdom. And we humbly ask you, heavenly Father, to assist us with your grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all the good works that you have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Gloria in Excelsis

The Gloria is sung or said, all standing.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Blessing

The Bishop blesses the people saying,

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

The Deacon dismisses the people saying,

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Recessional Hymn

The hymn following is sung,

**O church, arise, and put your armour on; hear the call of Christ our Captain;
For now the weak can say that they are strong in the strength that God has given.
With shield of faith and belt of truth we'll stand against the devil's lies;
An army bold whose battle cry is "Love!" reaching out to those in darkness.**

**Our call to war, to love the captive soul, but to rage against the captor;
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole we will fight with faith and valour.
When faced with trials on every side, we know the outcome is secure,
And Christ will have the prize for which He died - an inheritance of nations.**

**Come, see the cross where love and mercy meet, as the Son of God is stricken;
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet, for the Conqueror has risen!
And as the stone is rolled away, and Christ emerges from the grave,
This victory march continues till the day, every eye and heart shall see Him.**

**So Spirit come, put strength in every stride, give grace for every hurdle,
That we may run with faith to win the prize of a servant good and faithful.
As saints of old still line the way, retelling triumphs of His grace,
We hear their calls and hunger for the day when, with Christ, we stand in glory.**

