September 22, 2024 Hymns

322. O Word of God Incarnate

1 O Word of God incarnate,
O Wisdom from on high,
O Truth unchanged, unchanging,
O Light of our dark sky:
we praise you for the radiance
that from the hallowed page,
a lantern to our footsteps,
shines on from age to age.

2 The church from you, dear Master, received this gift divine, and still that light is lifted o'er all the earth to shine.
Your word is chart and compass that, all life's voyage through, mid mists and rocks and quicksands, still guides, O Christ, to you.

3 O make your church, dear Savior, a lamp of burnished gold to bear before the nations your true light, as of old.
O teach your wandering pilgrims by this their path to trace, till, clouds and darkness ended, we see you face to face.

56. For the Beauty of the Earth

1 For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies, Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

2 For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light,

Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise

3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight, for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight, Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

4 For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild, Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

5 For thy church that evermore lifteth holy hands above, offering up on every shore one pure sacrifice of love, Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

589. Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

1 Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart, in-a my heart; Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart.

In-a my heart, (in-a my heart,) in my heart, (in-a my heart,) Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart, (in-a my heart).

2 Lord, I want to be more loving in-a my heart, in-a my heart; Lord, I want to be more loving in-a my heart. In-a my heart, (in-a my heart,) in my heart, (in-a my heart,) Lord, I want to be more loving in-a my heart, (in-a my heart).

3 Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart, in-a my heart; Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart. In-a my heart, (in-a my heart,) in my heart, (in-a my heart,) Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart, (in-a my heart).