



SATURDAY MORNING
HYMNS & PRAYER
22 March 2025

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

There's a wideness in God's mercy
like the wideness of the sea,
and forgiveness in his justice
sealed for us on Calvary.

There is plentiful redemption
through the blood that Christ has shed;
there is joy for all the members
in the sorrows of the Head.

For the love of God is broader
than the measures of our mind;
and the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.

But we make his love too narrow
by false limits of our own,
and we magnify his strictness
with a zeal he will not own.

Restless souls, why do you scatter
like a crowd of frightened sheep?
Foolish hearts, why do you wander
from a love so true and deep?

If our love were but more simple
we should take him at his word;
and our lives would be illumined
by the goodness of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord is Kind.

COMMUNION REFLECTION

Refrain Unless a grain of wheat shall fall upon the ground and die,
it remains but a single grain with no life.

If we have died with him then we shall live with him;
if we hold firm we shall reign with him. *Refrain*

If anyone serves me then they must follow me;
wherever I am my servants will be. *Refrain*

Make your home in me as I make mine in you;
those who remain in me bear much fruit. *Refrain*

If you remain in me and my word lives in you,
then you will be my disciples. *Refrain*

Those who love me are loved by my Father;
we shall be with them and dwell in them. *Refrain*

Peace, I leave with you, my peace I give to you;
peace which the world cannot give is my gift. *Refrain*

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Gentle Virgin Mother, blest above all other,
guiding star of ocean, lead us to salvation.

Now with Gabriel's blessing, we, your grace confessing,
offer you our greeting, for your peace entreating.

Break the bonds that chain us, heav'nly mercy gain us,
free us from our blindness in your loving kindness.

Mother of salvation, hear our supplication,
To our Saviour pleading, kindly interceding.

Teach us, maiden lowly, to be pure and holy,
So by your endeavour we rejoice for ever.

MARIAN PRAYER

God our Father,

We praise you and give you thanks for choosing the Virgin Mary
to be the Mother of your Son.

In her, the Word found a servant: your love makes her a queen.

We pray to you: Make us follow her as an example that we might listen to your Word
and put it into practice.

May we then be able to share the inheritance of eternal joy
that you give us through your only Son Jesus Christ, our Savior and our brother.



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