

HYMNS FOR TODAY: AM

Reading: Ephesians 5 v 22 - 33

Title: *The Church – Married to Christ*

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.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail—
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

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 church's one foundation

Is Jesus Christ her Lord,
She is His new creation
By water and the Word;
From heaven 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 has 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!

**Hymns, Bible Reading & Message Title
for the evening service continue below
and overleaf**

PM

Reading: Hebrews 12 v 28 – 13 v 6

Title: *Honouring God by honouring marriage*

O Christ, the great foundation

On which Your people stand
To preach the true salvation
In every age and land:
Pour out Your Holy Spirit
To make us strong and pure,
To keep the faith unbroken
As long as worlds endure.

Baptized in one confession,
One church in all the earth,
We bear our Lord's impression,
The sign of second birth:
One fellowship united
In love beyond our own-
By grace we were invited,
By grace we make You known.

Where tyrants' hold is tightened,
Where strong devour the weak,
Where innocents are frightened
And good men fear to speak,
There let Your church awaking
Attack the powers of sin
And, all their ramparts breaking,
With You the victory win.

Cont overleaf...

The gates of hell are yielding,
The hordes of Satan fly,
For Christ the Lord is wielding
The sword of victory:
This is the moment glorious
When He who once was dead
Shall lead His church victorious,
Their champion and their Head.

He comes with acclamation
To claim His holy bride;
She stands in exultation,
The Bridegroom at her side:
The Lord of all creation
His Father's kingdom brings-
The final consummation,
The glory of all things.

One with Jesus, loved and cherished,

Chosen as His holy bride;
All our sins in Him have perished;
For His church the Saviour died;
Gave Himself to make her holy,
Washed with water through the word,
To present her in His glory,
Pure and blameless like her Lord.

As His body we have union
With our Saviour's risen life;
Joined in intimate communion,
Two made one-like man and wife-
Fulness of His Spirit giving;
All His word to guide our way;
Strength for battle, power for living,
Grace to keep us night and day.

See the radiant bride of heaven,
Dressed in glory not her own;
Sadness banished, sins forgiven,
Knowing fully, fully known;
There revealed the gospel mystery;
All the church in Christ made one,
At the end of human history
In the kingdom of the Son.

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