

## Hymn No. 698     God of the Ages

- 1     God of the ages, whose almighty hand  
      leads forth in beauty all the starry band  
      of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,  
      our grateful songs before thy throne arise.
  
- 2     Thy love divine hath led us in the past;  
      in this free land with thee our lot is cast;  
      be thou our ruler, guardian, guide and stay,  
      thy Word our law, thy paths our chosen way.
  
- 3     From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,  
      be thy strong arm our ever sure defense;  
      thy true religion in our hearts increase;  
      thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.
  
- 4     Refresh thy people on their toil-some way;  
      lead us from night to never-ending day;  
      fill all our lives with love and grace divine,  
      and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

## Hymn No. 616      Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast

- 1      Come, sinners to the gospel feast,  
let every soul be Jesus' guest.  
Ye need not one be left behind,  
for God hath bid all humankind.
  
- 2      Do not begin to make excuse;  
ah! do not you his grace refuse;  
your worldly cares and pleasures leave,  
and take what Jesus hath to give.
  
- 3      Come and partake the gospel feast,  
be saved from sin, in Jesus rest;  
O taste the goodness of our God,  
and eat his flesh and drink his blood.
  
- 4      See him set forth before your eyes;  
behold the bleeding sacrifice;  
his offered love make hast to embrace,  
and freely now be saved by grace.
  
- 5      Ye who believe his record true  
shall sup with him and he with you;  
come to the feast, be saved from sin,  
for Jesus waits to take you in.

## Hymn No. 593    Here I Am, Lord

- 1    I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?  
*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?*  
*I have heard you calling in the night.*  
*I will go, Lord, if you lead me.*  
*I will hold your people in my heart.*
  
- 2    I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?  
*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?*  
*I have heard you calling in the night.*  
*I will go, Lord, if you lead me.*  
*I will hold your people in my heart.*
  
- 3    I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame,  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?  
*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?*  
*I have heard you calling in the night.*  
*I will go, Lord, if you lead me.*  
*I will hold your people in my heart.*

## Hymn No. 624    Bread of the World

- 1    Bread of the world in mercy broken,  
     wine of the soul in mercy shed,  
     by whom the words of life were spoken,  
     and in whose death our sins are dead:
  
- 2    Look on the heart by sorrow broken,  
     look on the tears by sinners shed,  
     and be thy feast to us the token  
     that by thy grace our souls are fed.

## *TFWS No. 2197* Lord of All Hopefulness

- 1 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,  
whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy:  
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,  
your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
  
- 2 Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,  
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:  
Be there at our labors, and give us, we pray,  
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
  
- 3 Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,  
your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace:  
Be there at our homing and give us, we pray,  
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
  
- 4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,  
whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm:  
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,  
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.