

God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform; He plants His footsteps in the sea, and rides upon the storm. Deep in the unfathomable mines of never-failing skill He treasures up His bright designs, and works His sovereign will. Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take; the clouds ye so much dread are big with mercy, and shall break in blessings on your head. Blind unbelief is sure to err, and scan His work in vain; God is His own Interpreter, and He will make it plain. (The Hymnbook, No. 112)

- 14 Proverbs 27; Psalm 62:10
- 15 Proverbs 28; Psalm 66:18
- 16 Proverbs 29; Matthew 23:12
- 17 Proverbs 30; Psalm 12
- 18 Proverbs 31; 11:16
- 19 2 Kings 17:1-23; Micah 1
- 20 Micah 2; Psalm 36

There's a wideness in God's mercy, Like the wideness of the sea; There's a kindness in His justice, which is more than liberty. There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven; There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment given. For the love of God is broader than the measures of man's mind; and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind. If our love were but more simple, we should take Him at His word; And our lives would be all sunshine in the sweetness of our Lord. (The Hymnbook, No. 110)

- 21 Micah 3; Isaiah 8:19-22
- 22 Micah 4; Ezekiel 34
- 23 Micah 5
- 24 Micah 6
- 25 Micah 7
- 26 Nahum 1; Psalm 104
- 27 Nahum 2; Psalm 46

Sometimes a light surprises the Christian while he sings; It is the Lord, who rises with healing in His wings: When comforts are declining, He grants the soul again a season of clear shining, to cheer it after rain. In holy contemplation we sweetly then pursue the theme of God's salvation, and find it ever new. Set free from present sorrow, we cheerfully can say, Let the unknown tomorrow bring with it what it may. It can bring with it nothing but He will bear us through; Who gives the lilies clothing will clothe His people too: Beneath the spreading heavens no creature is but fed; And He who feeds the ravens will give His children bread. Though vine nor fig tree neither their wonted fruit shall bear, though all the field should wither, nor flocks nor herds be there; Yet God the same abiding, His praise shall tune my voice, For while in Him confiding I cannot but rejoice. (The Hymnbook, No. 418)

- 28 Nahum 3; Psalm 76
- 29 Habakkuk 1
- 30 Habakkuk 2
- 31 Habakkuk 3



First Cup Readings

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Let the morning bring me word
of your unfailing love,
for I have put my trust in you.
Show me the way I should go,
for to you I lift up my soul.
-Psalm 143:8

I hear the Savior say, "Thy strength indeed is small! Child of weakness, watch and pray; Find in me thine all in all." For nothing good have I whereby Thy grace to claim—I will wash my garments white in the blood of Calvary's Lamb. And when before the throne I stand in Him complete, Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat. Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe; Sin had left a crimson stain—He washed it white as snow. (Hymns of the Family of God, #273)

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JULY

- 1 Jeremiah 23; 2 Timothy 4:1-5; 2 Peter 2; James 3:1
- 2 Jeremiah 24; Romans 9; James 2:14-26

Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of Life! Let me more of their beauty see, wonderful words of Life! Words of life and beauty, Teach me faith and duty. Christ, the blessed one gives to all wonderful words of Life. Sinner, list to the loving call, Wonderful words of life:

All so freely given, Wooing us to heaven. Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of Life! (Worship in Song, No. 206)

- 3 Jeremiah 25:1-14; Psalm 28; 94
- 4 Jeremiah 25:15-38; Psalm 44; 71
- 5 Jeremiah 26; Matthew 23:29-39; Matthew 5:1-12
- 6 Jeremiah 27; Psalm 24; 115
- 7 Jeremiah 28; Deuteronomy 13:1-11
- 8 Jeremiah 29; Romans 10
- 9 Jeremiah 30; Psalm 102

Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea. Day by day His sweet voice soundeth, saying, "Christian, follow Me." Jesus calls us from the worship of our vain world's golden store; from each idol that would keep us, saying "Christian, love Me more." Jesus calls us. by Thy mercies, Saviour, may we hear Thy call, Give our hearts to Thy obedience, Serve and love Thee best of all. (Worship in Song, No. 326)

- 10 Jeremiah 31; Hebrews 10:1-18
- 11 Jeremiah 32; Isaiah 55
- 12 Jeremiah 33; Psalm 74
- 13 Lamentations 1; Isaiah 1; 2 Chronicles 7:13-14
- 14 Lamentations 2; Matthew 23; 2 Timothy 4:1-5
- 15 Lamentations 3:1-36; Matthew 5:39; 2 Corinthians 6:1-10; Psalm 123
- 16 Lamentations 3:37-66; Job 30; Psalm 37

Great is Thy faithfulness O God, my Father! There is no shadow of turning with Thee. Thou changes not, Thy compassions, they fail not: As Thou has been Thou forever will be. 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! (Hymns for the Family of God, No. 98)

- 17 Genesis 19:1-29; Lamentations 4; Jeremiah 19:9; Matthew 24:1-35
- 18 Lamentations 5; Isaiah 49; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-5:11
- 19 Proverbs 1; Ephesians 4:17-32

- 20 Proverbs 2; James 1:5-8
- 21 Proverbs 3; Job 28:12-28
- 22 Proverbs 4; Matthew 13:44-52
- 23 Proverbs 5; Ecclesiastes 9:9

Saviour, teach me day by day, Love's sweet lesson to obey; Sweeter lesson cannot be, Loving Him who first loved me. With a child's glad heart of love, at Thy bidding may I move, prompt to serve and follow Thee, loving Him who first loved me. Teach me this Thy steps to trace, Strong to follow in Thy grace, Learning how to love from Thee, Loving Him who first loved me. Love in loving finds employ, In obedience all her joy; Ever new that joy will be, Loving Him who first loved me. (The Hymnbook, No. 457)

- 24 Proverbs 6; Matthew 5:27-30
- 25 Proverbs 7; 2 Samuel 11
- 26 Proverbs 8; James 1:2-8
- 27 Proverbs 9; Luke 14:16-23
- 28 Proverbs 10; 1 Corinthians 13:4-7
- 29 Proverbs 11; Zephaniah 1:14-18
- 30 Proverbs 12; Psalm 38:27-40

If my people's hearts are humbled, if they pray and seek my face; if they turn away from evil, I will not withhold my grace. I will hear their prayers from heaven; I will pardon every sin. If my people's hearts are humbled, I will surely heal their land. Then my eyes will see their sorrow, then my ears will hear their plea. If my people's hearts are humbled, I will set their nation free. (Australian Hymn, No. 278)

- 31 Proverbs 13; Hebrews 12:7-11

AUGUST

- 1 Proverbs 14; Psalm 41:1-3
- 2 Proverbs 15; 1 Timothy 6:6-10
- 3 Proverbs 16; Psalm 37:23-24
- 4 Proverbs 17; James 1:19-27
- 5 Proverbs 18; Ecclesiastes 10:12
- 6 Proverbs 19; Psalm 25:8-15

Come, ye that fear the Lord, and hear what He has done for me; My cry for help is turned to praise, for He has set me free. Through pain and trouble Thou hast led, and humbled all our pride, But in the end, to liberty and wealth Thy hand did guide. If in my heart I sin regard, my prayer He will not hear; But, truly, God has heard my voice, My prayer has reached His ear. O let the Lord, our gracious God, forever blessed be, Who has not turned my prayer from Him, nor yet His grace from me. (The Hymnbook, No. 296)

- 7 Proverbs 20; Romans 12:14-21
- 8 Proverbs 21; Jeremiah 9:23-24
- 9 Proverbs 22; 1 Corinthians 15:33
- 10 Proverbs 23; Ephesians 5:15-20
- 11 Proverbs 24; Psalm 1
- 12 Proverbs 25; Matthew 23:1-12
- 13 Proverbs 26; James 3:1-12