**Hymns for**

**May 19, 2024**

**9:30 a.m.**

**These are the hymns and responses that will be sung during the service.**

Hymn 314: *Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness*(verses 1, 2)

(*Christ, Be Our Light)*

Verse 1

**Longing for light, we wait in darkness.  
Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people,  
Light for the world to see.  
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.**

Verse 2

**Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has power to save us.  
Make us your living voice.****Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.**

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Hymn 853: *We Are Marching in the Light of God* (sing two verses: “We are marching…” and “We are praying…”)

**We are marching in the light of God;**

**We are marching in the light of God.**

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**We are marching, marching,**

**We are marching, marching,**

**We are marching in the light of God.**

**We are marching, marching,**

**We are marching, marching,**

**We are marching in the light of God.**

Verse 2

**We are praying…**

South African folksong

Hymn 401: *Here in This Place (Gather Us In)* ( all verses)

**Here in this place the new light is streaming;**

**Now is the darkness vanished away;**

**See in this space our fears and our dreamings**

**Brought here to you in the light of this day.**

**Gather us in, the lost and forsaken;**

**Gather us in, the blind and the lame;**

**Call to us now, and we shall awaken;**

**We shall arise at the sound of our name.**

**We are the young, our lives are a mystery.**

**We are the old who yearn for your face.**

**We have been sung throughout all of history,**

**Called to be light to the whole human race.**

**Gather us in, the rich and the haughty;**

**Gather us in, the proud and the strong;**

**Give us a heart, so meek and so lowly;**

**Give us the courage to enter the song.**

**Here we will take the wine and the water;**

**Here we will take the bread of new birth;**

**Here you shall call your sons and your daughters,**

**Call us anew to be salt for the earth.**

**Give us to drink the wine of compassion;**

**Give us to eat the bread that is you;**

**Nourish us well, and teach us to fashion**

**Lives that are holy and hearts that are true.**

**Not in the dark of buildings confining;**

**Not in some heaven, light years away:**

**Here in this place the new light is shining;**

**Now is the kingdom, and now is the day.**

**Gather us in and hold us forever;**

**Gather us in and make us your own;**

**Gather us in, all peoples together,**

**Fire of love in our flesh and our bone.**

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Hymn 291: *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness* (all)

Refrain

**Spirit, spirit of gentleness,  
Blow through the wilderness,  
Calling and free.  
Spirit, spirit of restlessness,  
Stir me from placidness,  
Wind, wind on the sea.**

Verse 1

**You moved on the waters; you called to the deep;  
Then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;  
And over the eons you called to each thing,  
“Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings.”**

Refrain

Verse 2

**You swept through the desert; you stung with the sand;  
And you goaded your people with a law and a land.  
When they were confounded with idols and lies,  
Then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes.**

Refrain

Verse 3

**You sang in a stable; you cried from a hill;  
Then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still.  
And down in the city, you called once again  
When you blew through your people on the rush of the wind.**

Refrain

Verse 4

**You call from tomorrow; you break ancient schemes;  
From the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams.  
Our women see visions; our men clear their eyes.  
With bold new decisions your people arise.**

Refrain

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Hymn 286: *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* (all 4 verses)

**Breathe on me, Breath of God;  
Fill me with life anew,  
That I may love what thou dost love,  
And do what thou wouldst do.**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
Until my heart is pure,  
Until with thee I will one will,  
To do and to endure.**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
Till I am wholly thine,  
Until this earthly part of me  
Glows with thy fire divine.**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
So shall I never die,  
But live with thee the perfect life  
Of thine eternity.**

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