

URW 114.

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.

Chorus

Christ, be our light!  
Shine in our hearts.  
Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light!  
Shine in your church gathered today.

Verse 3

Longing for food, many are hungry.  
Longing for water, many still thirst.  
Make us your bread, broken for others,  
shared until all are fed.

Verse 4

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.  
Longing for warmth, many are cold.  
Make us your building, sheltering others,  
walls made of living stone.

What is This Place Where We Are Meeting? (Under One License)

What is this place where we are meeting?  
Only a house, the earth its floor,  
walls and a roof sheltering people,  
windows for light, an open door.  
Yet it becomes a body that lives when we are gathered here,  
and know our God is near.

Words from afar, stars that are falling,  
sparks that are sown in us like seed.  
Names for our God, dreams, signs, and wonders  
sent from the past are what we need. We in this place  
remember and speak again what we have heard:  
God's free redeeming word.

And we accept bread at his table,  
broken and shared, a living sign.  
Here in this world, dying and living,  
we are each other's bread and wine. This is the place

where we can receive what we need to increase:  
God's justice and God's peace.

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Happy is the One (Ps 1)

V1

Happy is the one who does not take bad advice for a guide,  
nor walks in the path on which sinners have trod,  
nor sits where the cynics mock.

V2

Happy is the one who takes delight in the law of the Lord,  
and meditates on it both day and night,  
and prospers in every way.

V3

Such a one as this is like a tree by the nourishing streams,  
which yields its fruits when the season is right,  
and bears leaves that never fade.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell.  
The third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

A-men.

We Give Thee But Thy Own

1 We give thee but thine own, What e'er the gift may be, For all we have is thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from thee.

2 May we thy bounties thus As stewards true receive, And gladly, as thou blessest us, To thee our first-fruits give.

I bind my heart this tide (This is in one license)

1 I bind my heart this tide  
to the Galilean's side,  
to the wounds of Calvary,  
to the Christ who died for me.

2 I bind my soul this day  
to the neighbour far away,  
to the stranger near at hand,  
in this town, and in this land.

3 I bind my heart in thrall  
to the God, the Lord of all,  
to the God, the poor one's friend,  
and the Christ whom he did send.

4 I bind myself to peace,  
to make strife and envy cease.  
God, knit thou sure the cord  
of my thralldom to my Lord!