

OPENING SONG (verses 1, 2, and 4)

For the Healing of the Nations

1. For the heal - ing of the na - tions, Lord, we pray with
 2. Lead your peo - ple in - to free - dom, From de - spair your
 3. All that kills a - bun - dant liv - ing, Let it from the
 4. You, cre - a - tor God, have writ - ten Your great name on

one ac - cord; For a just and e - qual shar - ing
 world re - lease That, re - deemed from war and ha - tred,
 earth be banned: Pride of sta - tus, race, or school - ing,
 hu - man - kind; For our grow - ing in your like - ness

Of the things that earth af - fords. To a life of
 All may come and go in peace. Show us how, through
 Dog - mas that ob - scure your plan. In our com - mon
 Bring the life of Christ to mind, That by our re -

love in ac - tion Help us rise and pledge our word.
 care and good - ness, Fear will die and hope in - crease.
 quest for jus - tice May we hal - low life's brief span.
 sponse and serv - ice Earth its des - ti - ny may find.

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 Tune: ST. THOMAS, 8 7 8 7 8 7; John Wade, 1711-1786

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 128: Blest Are Those Who Love You

Refrain I

Blest are those who love you, hap - py those who
 fol - low you, blest are those who seek you, O God.

Refrain II

May the Lord bless us, may the Lord pro -
 tect us, all the days, all the days of our life.

Verses

1. Happy all those who fear the Lord, and walk in God's pathway;
 you will find what you long for: the riches of our God.
2. Your spouse shall be like a fruitful vine in the midst of your home,
 your children flourish like olive plants rejoicing at your table.
3. May the blessings of God be yours all the days of your life,
 may the peace and the love of God live always in your heart.

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COMMUNION SONG

In the Arms of God

Refrain

Come and rest in the arms of God, leave your wor - ry and
 fear; make your home in the heart of God, God will dry ev - ry
 tear. For the bur - den you car - ry will fade with - in God's
 care, come and rest in the arms of God.

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CLOSING SONG

God of Day and God of Darkness

1. God of day and God of dark - ness, Now we
 2. Still the na - tions curse the dark - ness, Still the
 3. You shall be the path that guides us, You the
 4. Praise to you in day and dark - ness, You our

stand be - fore the night; As the shad - ows stretch and
 rich op - press the poor; Still the earth is bruised and
 light that in us burns; Shin - ing deep with - in all
 source and you our end; Praise to you who love and

deep - en, Come and make our dark - ness bright. All cre -
 bro - ken By the ones who still want more. Come and
 peo - ple, Yours the love that we must learn. For our
 nur - ture As a fa - ther, moth - er, friend. Grant us

a - tion still is groan - ing For the dawn - ing of your
 wake us from our sleep - ing, So our hearts can - not ig -
 hearts shall wan - der rest - less 'Til they safe to you re -
 all a peace - ful rest - ing, Let each mind and bod - y

might, When the Sun of peace and jus - tice
 nore All your peo - ple lost and bro - ken,
 turn; Find - ing you in one an - oth - er,
 mend, So we rise re - freshed to - mor - row,

Fills the earth with ra - diant light.
 All your chil - dren at our door.
 We shall all your face dis - cern.
 Hearts re - newed to King - dom tend.

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