

**Hymn No. 712 – “As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought”**

1 As those of old their firstfruits brought  
of vineyard, flock, and field  
to God, the giver of all good,  
the source of bounteous yield,  
so we today our firstfruits bring,  
the wealth of this good land:  
of farm and market, shop and home,  
of mind and heart and hand.

2 A world in need now summons us  
to labor, love, and give,  
to make our life an offering  
that all may truly live.  
The church of Christ is calling us  
to make the dream come true:  
a world redeemed by Christ-like love,  
all life in Christ made new.

3 In gratitude and humble trust  
we bring our best today,  
to serve your cause and share your love  
with all along life's way.  
O God who gave yourself to us  
in Jesus Christ your Son,  
help us to give ourselves each day  
until life's work is done.

**Hymn No. 70 – “What Does the Lord Require of You?”**

1 What does the Lord require of you?  
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Justice, kindness,  
walk humbly with your God.

To seek justice and love kindness  
and walk humbly with your God.

**Hymn No. 775 – “I Want Jesus to Walk with Me”**

1 I want Jesus to walk with me;  
I want Jesus to walk with me;  
all along my pilgrim journey,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

2 In my trials, Lord, walk with me;  
in my trials, Lord, walk with me;  
when my heart is almost breaking,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

3 When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;  
when I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;  
when my head is bowed in sorrow,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

## Hymn No. 526 – “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

1 Let us talents and tongues employ,  
reaching out with a shout of joy:  
bread is broken; the wine is poured;  
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

Refrain:

Jesus lives again; earth can breathe again;  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!  
Jesus lives again; earth can breathe again;  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!

2 Christ is able to make us one;  
at the table he sets the tone,  
teaching people to live to bless,  
love in word and in deed express. (Refrain)

3 Jesus calls us in, sends us out  
bearing fruit in a world of doubt,  
gives us love to tell, bread to share:  
God (Immanuel) everywhere! (Refrain)

## 2 Kings 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, “Give it to the people and let them eat.” But his servant said, “How can I set this before a hundred people?” So he repeated, “Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord, ‘They shall eat and have some left.’” He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

## John 6:1-14

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?” He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, “Six months’ wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.” One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, “There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?” Jesus said, “Make the people sit down.” Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, “Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.” So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, “This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.”