

Hymns for Maundy Thursday

I come with joy, a child of God,
Forgiven, loved and free,
The life of Jesus to recall,
In love laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near
To find as all are fed,
The new community of love
In Christ's communion bread.

As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share,
Each proud division ends.
The love that made us, makes us one,
And strangers now are friends.

The Spirit of the risen Christ,
Unseen, but ever near,
Is in such friendship better known,
Alive among us here.

Together met, together bound
By all that God has done,
We'll go with joy, to give the world
The love that makes us one.

Brother, sister, let me serve you;
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey,
and companions on the road;
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ light for you
in the night time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh I'll laugh with you;

I will share your joy and sorrow,
till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven,
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together
of Christ's love and agony.

Brother, sister, let me serve you;
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

An upper room did our Lord prepare
For those he loved until the end
And his disciples still gather there,
To celebrate their risen friend.

A lasting gift Jesus gave his own:
To share his bread, his loving cup.
Whatever burdens may bow us down,
He by his cross shall lift us up.

And after supper he washed their feet,
For service, too, is sacrament.
In him our joy shall be made complete –
sent out to serve, as he was sent.

No end there is! We depart in peace,
He loves beyond our uttermost:
In ev'ry room in our Father's house
He will be there, as Lord and host.

Amazing Grace, How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me;
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

T'was Grace that taught my heart to fear,
And Grace, my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear,
The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come.

T'was grace that brought me safe thus far
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures:
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

Yes, when this heart and flesh shall fail,
And mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess within the veil
A life of joy and peace.

When we've been there a thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun.