

Hymns for Evensong

Saint John's Episcopal Church

Christ the Light that Conquers Darkness

Ar Hyd y Nos: 8.4.8.4.8.8.4

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Traditional Welsh melody

The musical score consists of two staves of music in G clef, 4/4 time, separated by a vertical bar. The top staff begins with a dotted half note followed by eighth notes. The lyrics for the first section are: "3. Christ, the Light who con - quers dark-ness, bring - ing re - lease; At whose cross, in ra - diant stark-ness, Death's ter - rors cease: Fill us with your life un-end-ing; Shield us by your con-stant tend-ing, As we go forth by your send - ing To live Love's peace." The bottom staff follows a similar pattern with eighth notes and a dotted half note at the beginning of each line. The music concludes with a final section starting at measure 13, which includes a melodic line with a sustained note and a final cadence.

The day thou gavest, Lord, is Ended

St. Clement

John Ellerton (1826–1893)

1 The day thou gav - est, Lord, is end - ed, the dark - ness
2 We thank thee that thy Church un - sleep - ing while earth rolls
3 As o'er each con - ti - nent and is - land the dawn leads
4 So be it, Lord; thy throne shall nev - er, like earth's proud

1 falls at thy be - hest; to thee our morn - ing hymns a -
2 on - ward in - to light, through all the world her watch is
3 on an - oth - er day, the voice of prayer is nev - er
4 em - pires, pass a - way; thy king - dom stands and grows for -

1 scend - ed thy praise shal sanc - ti - fy our rest.
2 keep - ing and rests not now strain by of day or night.
3 si - lent, nor dies the thy crea - tures praise own a - way.
4 ev - er, till all thy sway.

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O Gracious Light

Greek, 3rd cent; tr. F. Bland Tucker

Thomas Tallis (1505–1585)

Sing in parts as a round

1 O Now gra - cious Light, Lord Je - sus Christ, In
sun - set comes, but light - shines forth, The
Wor - thy are you of end - less praise, O

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3 you the Fa - ther's glo - ry shone. Im - mor - tal, ho - ly,
lamps are lit to pierce the night. Praise Fa - ther, Son, and
Son of God, Life - giv - ing Lord; where - fore you are through

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5 blest is he, And blest are you, hijis - ho - ly Son.
Spirit: God who dwells in the high - est ter - nal light.
all the earth And in the e heav'n a - dored.

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Ubi Caritas

Plainsong — Mode 6

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor__ De - us i - bi est

Con - gre - ga - vit - nos in u - num__ Chris - ti a - mor.
Si - mul er - go cum in u - num__ con - gre - ga - mur:
Si - mul quo - que cum be - a - tis__ vi - de - a - mus,

Ex - sul - te - mus et in ip - so__ ju - cun - de - mur
Ne nos men - te di - vi - da - mur, ca - ve - a - mus.
Glo - ri - an - ter vul - tum tu - um, Chris - te De - us:

Ti - me - a - mus et a - me - mus__ De - um vi - vum
Ces - sent - iur - gia ma - li - gna__ ces - sent li - tes.
Gau - di - um quod est im - men - sum,__ at que pro - bum

Et ex - cor - de - di - li - ga - mus nos sin - ce - ro.
Et in me - di - o nos - tri sit Chris - tus__ De - us.
Sae - cu - la per in - fi - ni - ta sae - cu - lo - rum. A - men.

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Exsultemus, et in ipso jucundemur.
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Simul ergo cum in unum congregamur:
Ne nos mente dividamur, caveamus.
Cessent iurgia maligna, cessent lites.
Et in medio nostri sit Christus Deus.

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Simul quoque cum beatis videamus,
Glorianter vultum tuum, Christe Deus:
Gaudium quod est immensum, atque probum,
Saecula per infinita saeculorum. Amen.

Where charity and love are, God is there.
Christ's love has gathered us into one.
Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him.
Let us fear, and let us love the living God.
And may we love each other with a sincere heart.

Where charity and love are, God is there.
As we are gathered into one body,
Beware, lest we be divided in mind.
Let evil impulses stop, let controversy cease,
And may Christ our God be in our midst.

Where charity and love are, God is there.
And may we with the saints also,
See Thy face in glory, O Christ our God:
The joy that is immense and good,
Unto the ages through infinite ages. Amen.

