

October 17th Liturgical Hymn

Entrance Hymn: Rain Down (Houston)

Refrain

Rain down, Rain down
Rain down your love on your people
Rain down, ain down
Rain down your love, God of life

Faithful and true is the Word of our God
All of God's works are so worthy of trust
God's mercy falls on the just and the right
Full of God's love is the earth

Refrain

We who revere and find hope in our God
Live in the kindness and joy of God's wing
God will protect us from darkness and death
God will not leave us to starve

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God of creation, we long for Your truth
You are the water of life that we thirst
Grant that Your love and peace touch our hearts
All of our hope lies in You.

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Offertory Hymn: Shelter Me, O God (Hurd)

Refrain

Shelter me, O God; hide me in the shadow of your wings. You alone are my hope.

When my foes surround me, set me high above their reach. Hear me when I call your name.

Refrain

As a mother gathers her young beneath her care, gather me into your arms.

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Though I walk in darkness, through the needle's eye of death, you will never leave my side.

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Communion Hymn: Christ Be Our Light (Farrell)

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.

Refrain

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

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice.

Refrain

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

Refrain

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

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Closing Hymn: Blest Be the Lord (Schutte)

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Blest be the Lord, blest be the Lord,
The God of mercy, the God who saves.
I shall not fear, the dark of night
Nor the arrow that flies by day.

He will release me from the nets of all my foes.
He will protect me from their wicked hands.
Beneath the shadow of His wings I will rejoice
To find a dwelling place secure.

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I need not shrink before the terrors of the night
Nor stand alone before the light of day.
No harm shall come to me, no arrow strike me down,
No evil settle in my soul.

Refrain

Although a thousand strong have fallen at my side,
I'll not be shaken with the Lord at hand.
His faithful love is all the armor that I need
To wage my battle with my foe.

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