

First hymn:

Come down, O Love divine,
seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing.
O Comforter, draw near,
within my heart appear,
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,
till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
and let thy glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity
mine outward vesture be,
and lowliness become mine inner clothing;
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong
with which the soul will long
shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace,
till he become the place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

Bianco da Siena (d. 1434)

Tune: Down Ampney

Psalm

We remain seated as the Choir sings Psalm 98 in 5 verses. The congregation join in the response:

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of God

The Gospel acclamation is:

Jesus said :‘If anyone loves me he will keep my word,
And my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.

Offertory hymn:

Love is his word, love is his way,
feasting with all, fasting alone,
living and dying, rising again,
love, only love, is his way.

*Richer than gold is the love of my Lord,
better than splendour and wealth.*

Love is his way, love is his mark,
sharing his last Passover feast,
Christ at the table, host to the Twelve,
love, only love, is his mark.

Love is his mark, love is his sign,
bread for our strength, wine for our joy,
‘This is my body, this is my blood.’
Love, only love, is his sign.

Love is his sign, love is his news,
‘Do this,’ he said, ‘lest you forget
all my deep sorrow, all my dear blood.’
Love, only love, is his news.

Love is his news, love is his name,
we are his own, chosen and called,
family, brethren, cousins and kin.
Love, only love, is his name.

Love is his name, love is his law,
hear his command, all who are his,
‘Love one another, I have loved you.’
Love, only love, is his law.

Love is his law, love is his word:
love of the Lord, Father and Word,
love of the Spirit, God ever one,
love, only love, is his word.

L. Connaughton (1917-1979) Tune: Cresswell

*At Communion if you wish to receive from the chalice – the common
cup – please come to the front centre. If you would rather have the*

host intincted in the wine by the Priest, please come to the Lady Chapel (by ramp).

Communion Hymn

Ubi Caritas et amor,
Ubi caritas Deus ibi est
Taize Chant

*Living charity and steadfast love
Living charity shows the heart of God.*

Final Hymn

Take my life and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be
swift and purposeful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing
always, only, for my King.
Take my intellect, and use

every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine:

it shall be no longer mine.

Take my heart; it is thine own:

it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour

at thy feet its treasure-store.

Take myself, and I will be

ever, only, all for thee.

FR. Havergal (1836-79)

Tune: Nottingham

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