#### My Soul Gives Glory to My God

- 1. My soul gives glory to my God. My heart pours out its praise. God lifted up my lowliness in many marvelous ways.
- 2. My God has done great things for me:
  yes, holy is this name.
  All people will declare me blessed,
  And blessings they shall claim.
- 3. From age to age, to all who fear, such mercy love imparts, dispensing justice far and near, dismissing selfish hearts.
- 4. Love casts the mighty from their thrones, promotes the insecure, leaves hungry spirits satisfied, the rich seem suddenly poor.
- 5. Praise God, whose loving covenant supports those in distress, remembering past promises with present faithfulness.

The United Methodist Hymnal Number 198 Text: Miriam Therese Winter, 1987 (Lk. 1:46b-55) Music: Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second, 1813; harm. by Charles H. Webb, Tune: MORNING SONG, Meter. CM

### O Little Town of Bethlehem

- 1. O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie; above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by. Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light; the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.
- 2. For Christ is born of Mary, and gathered all above, while mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wondering love. O morning stars together, proclaim the holy birth, and praises sing to God the king, and peace to all on earth!
- 3. How silently, how silently, the wondrous gift is given; so God imparts to human hearts the blessings of his heaven. No ear may hear his coming, but in this world of sin, where meek souls will receive him, still the dear Christ enters in.
- 4. O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray; cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today.
  We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;
  O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!

The United Methodist Hymnal Number 230 Text: Phillips Brooks, 1835-1893 Music: Lewis H. Redner, 1830-1908 Tune: ST. LOUIS, Meter: 86.86.76.86

# Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The United Methodist Hymnal Number 095 Text: Thomas Ken Music: Attr. to Louis Bourgeois Tune: OLD 100TH, Meter: LM

# O Day of God, Draw Nigh

- 1. O day of God, draw nigh in beauty and in power; come with thy timeless judgment now to match our present hour.
- 2. Bring to our troubled minds, uncertain and afraid, the quiet of a steadfast faith, calm of a call obeyed.
- 3. Bring justice to our land, that all may dwell secure, and finely build for days to come foundations that endure.
- 4. Bring to our world of strife thy sovereign word of peace, that war may haunt the earth no more, and desolation cease.
- 5. O day of God, draw nigh as at creation's birth; let there be light again, and set thy judgments on the earth.

The United Methodist Hymnal Number 730 Text: Robert B.Y. Scott, 1899-Music: Genevan Psalter, 1551; arr. by William Crotch, 1775-1847 Tune: ST. MICHAEL, Meter: SM

## The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

### Once in Royal David's City

- 1. Once in royal David's city stood a lowly cattle shed, where a mother laid her baby in a manger for his bed; Mary, loving mother mild, Jesus Christ, her little child.
- 2. He came down to earth from heaven who is God and Lord of all, and his shelter was a stable, and his cradle was a stall. With the poor, the scorned, the lowly lived on earth our Savior holy.
- 3. Jesus is our childhood's pattern; day by day, like us he grew; he was little, weak, and helpless, tears and smiles like us he knew; and he feeleth for our sadness, and he shareth in our gladness.
- 4. And our eyes at last shall see him, through his own redeeming love; for that child so dear and gentle is our Lord in heaven above; and he leads his children on to the place where he is gone.

The United Methodist Hymnal Number 250 Text: Cecil Frances Alexander Music: Henry J. Gauntlett Tune: IRBY, Meter: 87.87.77

#### Joy to the World

- 1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
  Let earth receive her King; let every heart prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing, and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.
- 2. Joy to the world, the Savior reigns!
  Let all their songs employ; while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.
- 3. No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground; he comes to make his blessings flow far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.
- 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness, and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.

The United Methodist Hymnal Number 246 Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748 Music: Arr. from G.F. Handel by Lowell Mason, 1792-1872 Tune: ANTIOCH, Meter: CM with Repeat