

**2018 Hymns of the Month** (CCLI License # 11386712)

**December 2018 Hymn of the Month**

**Holy Holy Holy (Nicaea)**

John Bacchus Dykes | Reginald Heber

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Verse 1

Holy holy holy  
Lord God Almighty  
Early in the morning  
Our song shall rise to Thee  
Holy holy holy  
Merciful and mighty  
God in three persons  
Blessed Trinity

Verse 2

Holy holy holy  
All the saints adore Thee  
Casting down their golden crowns  
Around the glassy sea  
Cherubim and seraphim  
Falling down before Thee  
Which wert and art  
And evermore shalt be

Verse 3

Holy holy holy  
Though the darkness hide Thee  
Though the eye of sinful man  
Thy glory may not see  
Only Thou art holy  
There is none beside Thee  
Perfect in power  
In love and purity

Verse 4

Holy holy holy  
Lord God Almighty  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name  
In earth and sky and sea  
Holy holy holy  
Merciful and mighty

God in three persons  
Blessed Trinity

### **November 2018 Hymn of the Month**

#### **For the Beauty of the Earth**

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##### Verse 1

For the beauty of the earth  
For the glory of the skies  
For the love which from our birth  
Over and around us lies

##### Chorus

Lord of all to Thee we raise  
This our hymn of grateful praise

##### Verse 2

For the beauty of each hour  
Of the day and of the night  
Hill and vale and tree and flower  
Sun and moon and stars of light

##### Verse 3

For the joy of ear and eye  
For the heart and mind's delight  
For the mystic harmony  
Linking sense to sound and sight

##### Verse 4

For the joy of human love  
Brother sister parent child  
Friends on earth and friends above  
For all gentle thoughts and mild

##### Verse 5

For Thy church that evermore  
Lifteth holy hands above  
Offering up on every shore  
Her pure sacrifice of love

Verse 6

For Thyself best gift divine  
To the world so freely given  
For that great great love of Thine  
Peace on earth and joy in heaven

Verse 7

For the martyrs' crown of light  
For Thy prophets' eagle eye  
For Thy bold confessors' might  
For the lips of infancy

Verse 8

For Thy virgins' robes of snow  
For Thy maiden mother mild  
For Thyself with hearts aglow  
Jesus victim undefiled

### **October 2018 Hymn of the Month**

#### **Grace Alone**

Jeff Nelson | Scott Wesley Brown

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Verse 1

Ev'ry promise we can make  
Ev'ry prayer and step of faith  
Ev'ry difference we will make  
Is only by His grace  
Ev'ry mountain we will climb  
Ev'ry ray of hope we shine  
Ev'ry blessing left behind  
Is only by His grace

Chorus

Grace alone which God supplies  
Strength unknown He will provide  
Christ in us our Cornerstone  
We will go forth in grace alone

Verse 2

Ev'ry soul we long to reach  
Ev'ry heart we hope to teach  
Ev'rywhere we share His peace  
Is only by His grace

Ev'ry loving word we say  
Ev'ry tear we wipe away  
Ev'ry sorrow turned to praise  
Is only by His grace

### **September 2018 Hymn of the Month**

#### **Just a Closer Walk with Thee**

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##### Verse 1

I am weak, but Thou art strong;  
Jesus, keep me from all wrong;  
I'll be satisfied as long  
As I walk, let me walk close to Thee.

##### Refrain:

Just a closer walk with Thee,  
Grant it, Jesus, is my plea,  
Daily walking close to Thee,  
Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

##### Verse 2

Through this world of toil and snares,  
If I falter, Lord, who cares?  
Who with me my burden shares?  
None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee.

##### Verse 3

When my feeble life is o'er,  
Time for me will be no more;  
Guide me gently, safely o'er  
To Thy kingdom shore, to Thy shore.

### **August 2018 Hymn of the Month**

#### **Higher Ground (Pressing On)**

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##### Verse 1

I'm pressing on the upward way  
New heights I'm gaining ev'ry day  
Still praying as I'm onward bound  
Lord plant my feet on higher ground

Chorus

Lord lift me up and let me stand  
By faith on heaven's tableland  
A higher plane than I have found  
Lord plant my feet on higher ground

Verse 2

My heart has no desire to stay  
Where doubts arise and fears dismay  
Tho' some may dwell where these abound  
My pray'r my aim is higher ground

Verse 3

I want to live above the world  
Tho' Satan's darts at me are hurled  
For faith has caught the joyful sound  
The song of saints on higher ground

Verse 4

I want to scale the utmost height  
And catch a gleam of glory bright  
But still I'll pray till heav'n I've found  
Lord lead me on to higher ground

**July 2018 Hymn of the Month**

**Our God He Is Alive**

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Verse 1

There is beyond the azure blue  
A God concealed from human sight  
He tinted skies with heav'nly hue  
And framed the worlds with His great might

Chorus

There is a God (there is a God)  
He is alive (He is alive)  
In Him we live (in Him we live)  
And we survive (and we survive)  
From dust our God (from dust our God)  
Created man (created man)  
He is our God (He is our God)  
The great I Am (The great I Am)

Verse 2

There was a long long time ago  
A God whose voice the prophets heard  
He is the God that we should know  
Who speaks from His inspired Word

Verse 3

Our God whose Son upon a tree  
A life was willing there to give  
That He from sin might set man free  
And evermore with Him could live

**June 2018 Hymn of the Month**

**Blessed Assurance**

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Verse 1

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine  
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God  
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood

Chorus

This is my story, this is my song  
Praising my Savior all the day long  
This is my story, this is my song  
Praising my Savior all the day long

Verse 2

Perfect submission, perfect delight  
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight  
Angels, descending, bring from above  
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love

Verse 3

Perfect submission, all is at rest  
I in my Savior am happy and blest  
Watching and waiting, looking above  
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love

**May 2018 Hymn of the Month**

### **More Love To Thee**

Elizabeth Payson Prentiss

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#### Verse 1

More love to Thee O Christ more love to Thee  
Hear Thou the prayer I make on bended knee  
This is my earnest plea  
More love O Christ to Thee  
More love to Thee more love to Thee

#### Verse 2

Once earthly joy I craved sought peace and rest  
Now Thee alone I seek give what is best  
This all my prayer shall be  
More love O Christ to Thee  
More love to Thee more love to Thee

#### Verse 3

Let sorrow do its work come grief or pain  
Sweet are Thy messengers sweet their refrain  
When they can sing with me  
More love O Christ to Thee  
More love to Thee more love to Thee

#### Verse 4

Then shall my latest breath whisper Thy praise  
This be the parting cry my heart shall raise  
This still its prayer shall be  
More love O Christ to Thee  
More love to Thee more love to Thee

### **April 2018 Hymn of the Month**

#### **Crown Him with Many Crowns**

George Job Elvey, Godfrey Thring, Matthew Bridges

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#### Verse 1

Crown Him with many crowns,  
The Lamb upon His throne.  
Hark how the heavenly anthem drowns.  
All music but its own.  
Awake my soul and sing.  
Of Him who died for thee.

And hail Him as thy matchless King  
through all eternity.

Verse 2

Crown Him the Lord of life.  
Who triumphed o'er the grave.  
And rose victorious in the strife.  
For those He came to save.  
His glories now we sing.  
Who died and rose on high.  
Who died eternal life to bring.  
And lives that death may die

Verse 3

Crown Him the Lord of love.  
Behold His hands and side.  
Rich wounds yet visible above.  
In beauty glorified.  
No angel in the sky.  
Can fully bear that sight.  
But downward bends each burning eye.  
At mysteries so bright

Verse 4

Crown Him the Lord of years.  
The Potentate of time.  
Creator of the rolling spheres.  
Ineffably sublime.  
All hail Redeemer hail.  
For Thou hast died for me.  
Thy praise shall never, never fail.  
Throughout eternity

### **March 2018 Hymn of the Month**

#### **I Sing The Mighty Power Of God**

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Verse 1

I sing the mighty pow'r of God  
That made the mountains rise  
That spread the flowing seas abroad  
And built the lofty skies  
I sing the wisdom that ordained  
The sun to rule the day



The moon shines full at His command  
And all the stars obey

Verse 2

I sing the goodness of the Lord  
That filled the earth with food  
He formed the creatures with His word  
And then pronounced them good  
Lord how Thy wonders are displayed  
Where'er I turn my eye  
If I survey the ground I tread  
Or gaze upon the sky

Verse 3

There's not a plant or flow'r below  
But makes Thy glories known  
And clouds arise and tempests blow  
By order from Thy throne  
While all that borrows life from Thee  
Is ever in Thy care  
And everywhere that man can be  
Thou God art present there

### **February 2018 Hymn of the Month**

#### **It Is Well With My Soul**

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Verse 1

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,  
When sorrows like sea billows roll;  
Whatever my lot, Thou has taught me to say,  
It is well, it is well, with my soul.

Chorus

It is well, with my soul,  
It is well, with my soul,  
It is well, it is well, with my soul.

Verse 2

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,  
Let this blessed assurance control,  
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,  
And hath shed His own blood for my soul.

Verse 3

My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!  
My sin, not in part but the whole,  
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

Verse 4

And Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;  
The trumpet shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,  
Even so, it is well with my soul.

### **January 2018 Hymn of the Month**

#### **Be Thou My Vision**

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Verse 1

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art;  
Thou my best Thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Verse 2

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Verse 3

Be Thou my battle Shield, Sword for the fight;  
Be Thou my Dignity, Thou my Delight;  
Thou my soul's Shelter, Thou my high Tow'r:  
Raise Thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

Verse 4

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine Inheritance, now and always:  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of Heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

Verse 5

High King of Heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heav'n's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.