*Opening Hymn* *“God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It”* # 594













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*Sermon Hymn* *“My Song Is Love Unknown”* # 430









5 They rise and needs will have
    My dear Lord made away;
A murderer they save,
    The Prince of Life they slay.
Yet cheerful He
    To suff’ring goes
    That He His foes
From thence might free.

6 In life no house, no home
    My Lord on earth might have;
In death no friendly tomb
    But what a stranger gave.
What may I say?
    Heav’n was His home
    But mine the tomb
Wherein He lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing,
    No story so divine!
Never was love, dear King,
    Never was grief like Thine.
This is my friend,
    In whose sweet praise
    I all my days
Could gladly spend!

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*Distribution Hymn* *“Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”* # 685













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*Distribution Hymn “Glory Be to Jesus”* # 433





5 Oft as earth exulting
    Wafts its praise on high,
Angel hosts rejoicing
    Make their glad reply.

6 Lift we, then, our voices,
    Swell the mighty flood;
Louder still and louder
    Praise the precious blood!

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*Closing Hymn* *“Jesus, I Will Ponder Now”* # 440









5 If my sins give me alarm
    And my conscience grieve me,
Let Your cross my fear disarm;
    Peace of conscience give me.
Help me see forgiveness won
    By Your holy passion.
If for me He slays His Son,
    God must have compassion!

6 Graciously my faith renew;
    Help me bear my crosses,
Learning humbleness from You,
    Peace mid pain and losses.
May I give You love for love!
    Hear me, O my Savior,
That I may in heav’n above
    Sing Your praise forever.

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