PRAISE BE TO YOU/
SONG OF COMPASSION

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FINLANDIA, 11 10 11 10 11 10
Jean Sibelius, 1865–1957
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FROM THE COLLECTION Our Common Home Octavo Packet #30137832 CD #30137833
VERSE 1

1. Praise be to you, O Font of all creation,
   *Nourished are we and shaped by our traditions:

1. For by your Word, you made both great and small:
   Mercy and Grace and Wisdom from on high:

1. This verdant earth, the seas, the starry heavens,
   So may our lives reflect this Holy Mystery,
1. each breath we take, each drop of rain that falls.
\(\text{this Love embracing all of humanity.}\)

1. That we might live, you fashion us a garden
\(\text{So may our lives reflect this Holy Mystery,}\)

1. with fruit abundant for the good of all.
\(\text{this Love embracing all of humanity.}\)
VERSE 2

Praise Be to You/Song of Compassion

2. But now our home cries out in lamentation.

Where violence reigns and lives are torn aunder.

Soprano mp

Alto

Tenor

Bass mp

Our heedless ways have harmed the web of life.

let us resolve to do the works of peace.

2. Create in us a spirit that is willing,

So let this be our pledge to one another:
2. give us new eyes to see all things in Christ.

2. Creation, once enfolded in his passion,

So let this be our pledge to one another:

2 now lives surrounded by his radiant light.

To boldly act for all who stand in need.
VERSE 3

3. So gath-er us a- round this ho-ly ta- ble.

*With joy and hope, now send us from this ban-quet

Dwell in our hearts, Great Spir-it of cre-a-tion,
3. Transform our hearts, help us understand:
   — Oh, send us forth now to reconcile.
   in ways of true beauty guide our feet.

3. Transform our hearts, lead us to understand:
   — in which your mercy reconciles all things.
   in ways of truth and beauty guide our feet.

3. The gifts we bring and God of the new creation,
   Make us your true compassion.

3. In gifts of bread and wine we bring to offer,
   God of the poor, God of the new creation,
   So may our deeds embody true compassion.
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3. of-fer, fruit of the earth and work of hu-man hands,
  pas-sion send us to build your jus-tice and your peace.

3. fruit of the earth and work of hu-man hands,
  to all this world, to ev-ery liv-ing thing.

3. we bring to you, we bring them
Oh, may our deeds to all the

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3. we bring our stew-ard-ship of all cre-a-tion,
  So may our deeds em-bodied your com-pas-sion.

So may our deeds em-bodied true com-pas-sion
This song may be done grandly or in a simple hymn style. The octavo provides both arrangements. The double title indicates two different uses. The text “Praise Be to You” is a response to Pope Francis’s 2015 Encyclical Letter, *Laudato Si’: On Care for Our Common Home*. By embodying some of the major themes of the encyclical, the song invites worshipers to see that all of creation is embraced by the paschal mystery of Christ.

The alternative text, “Song of Compassion,” appears in italics in this octavo. It is intended for interfaith services and was inspired by the Charter for Compassion. This Charter, initiated by Karen Armstrong in 2007, invites people of different faith traditions and moral beliefs to discover the centrality of compassion within their own tradition. Based on the golden rule—do unto others as you would have them do unto you—it calls for interfaith collaboration in defending human dignity and building a culture of compassion in the face of the polarization, violence, and abuse so characteristic of our world. For more information on the Charter for Compassion: see www.charterforcompassion.org.

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   for by your Word, you made both great and small.

2. But now our home cries out in lamentation.
   Our heedless ways have harmed the web of life.

3. So gather us around this holy table.
   Transform our hearts, lead us to understand.

4. With joy and hope, now send us from this banquet.
   In which your mercy reconciles all things.

(Gathering)
(Sending Forth)

1. earth, the seas, the starry heavens, each breath we take, each
drop of rain that falls. That we might live, you fashion us a

2. us a spir-it that is willing, give us new eyes to
see all things in Christ. Cre-a-tion, once en-folded in his

3. bread and wine we bring to offer, fruit of the earth and
work of hu-man hands, we bring our stew ardship of all cre-

4. just-ice and your peace. So may our deeds em-bod-y your com-

1. gar-den with fruit abun-dant for the good of all.
2. pas-sion, now lives sur-round-ed by his rad-iant light.
3. a-tion, and all good gifts, first giv-en by your hand.
4. pas-sion, to all the world, to ev-ery liv-ing thing.

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3. Dwell in our hearts, Great Spirit of creation,

1. Mercy and Grace and Wisdom from on high.
2. Let us resolve to do the works of peace.
3. In ways of truth and beauty guide our feet.

1. Lives reflect this Holy Mystery,
2. Be our pledge to one another:
3. Deeds embody true compassion:

1. All of human kind.
2. All who stand in need.
3. Every living thing.

1. Myst’ry, this Love embracing all of human kind.
2. Oth’r: to boldly act for all who stand in need.
3. Pas’son to all this world, to every living thing.
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(Sending Forth) 4. With joy and hope, now send us from this banquet

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4. in which your mercy reconciles all things: God of the

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2. see all things in Christ. Create, once enfolded in his
3. work of human hands, we bring our stewardship of all creation
4. justice and your peace. So may our deeds embody your com-

1. garden with fruit abundant for the good of all.
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