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Hymn 114: Forty days and forty nights

- 1 Forty days and forty nights
you were fasting in the wild;
forty days and forty nights
tempted, and yet undefiled.
- 2 Sunbeams scorching all the day,
chilly dewdrops nightly shed;
prowling beasts about your way;
stones your pillow, earth your bed.
- 3 Shall not we your trial share,
and from earthly joys abstain,
fasting with unceasing prayer,
strong with you to suffer pain?
- 4 If temptations, vexing sore,
flesh or spirit should assail,
you their vanquisher before,
grant we may not faint nor fail.
- 5 Keep, oh keep us, Saviour dear,
ever constant by your side;
that with you we may appear
at the eternal Eastertide.

Solo: Catherine Gray

Hymn 99: Christ, when for us you were baptized

- 1 Christ, when for us you were baptized,
God's Spirit on you came,
as peaceful as a dove and yet
as urgent as a flame.
- 2 God called you, 'My beloved Son,'
called you, 'My servant true,'
sent you God's kingdom to proclaim,
God's holy will to do.
- 3 Straightway and steadfast until death
you then obeyed the call
freely as Son of Man to serve
and give your life for all.
- 4 Baptize us with your Spirit now,
your cross on us be signed,
that likewise in God's service we
may perfect freedom find.

Hymn 650: O God of Bethel

- 1 O God of Bethel, by whose hand
your people still are fed,
who through this earthly pilgrimage
have all your servants led:
- 2 our vows, our prayers, we now present
before your throne of grace.
God of past ages, be the God
of each succeeding race.
- 3 Through each perplexing path of life
our wandering footsteps guide;
give us each day our daily bread,
and shelter fit provide.
- 4 O spread your covering wings around,
till all our wanderings cease,
and at our God's beloved abode
our souls arrive in peace.

Solo: Catherine Gray

Hymn 266: Amazing grace, how sweet the sound

- 1 Amazing grace, how sweet the sound
* that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.
- 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed.
- 3 Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.
- 4 The Lord has promised good to me,
this word my hope secures;
God will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.
- 5 When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.