

June 30, 2024 Hymns

## 665. Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

1 Where cross the crowded ways of life,  
where sound the cries of clan and race,  
above the noise of selfish strife,  
O Christ, we hear your voice of grace.

2 In haunts of wretchedness and need,  
on shadowed thresholds fraught with fears,  
from paths where hide the lures of greed,  
we catch the vision of your tears.

3 From tender childhood's helplessness,  
from human grief and burdened toil,  
from famished souls, from sorrow's stress,  
your heart has never known recoil.

4 The cup of water given for you  
still holds the freshness of your grace;  
yet long these multitudes to view  
the strong compassion of your face.

5 O Master, from the mountainside  
make haste to heal these hearts of pain;  
among these restless throngs abide;  
O tread the city's streets again.

6 Till all shall learn compassion's might,  
following where your feet have trod,  
till glorious from your realm of light  
shall come the city of our God.

## 510. Out of the Depths

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## 475. The Church of Christ in Every Age

1 The church of Christ, in every age,  
beset by change but Spirit-led,  
must claim and test its heritage  
and keep on rising from the dead.

2 Across the world, across the street,  
the victims of injustice cry  
for shelter and for bread to eat,  
and never live until they die.

3 Then let the servant church arise,  
a caring church that longs to be  
a partner in Christ's sacrifice,  
and clothed in Christ's humanity.

4 For Christ alone, whose blood was shed,  
can cure the fever in our blood,  
and teach us how to share our bread  
and feed the starving multitude.

5 We have no mission but to serve  
in full obedience to our Lord:  
to care for all, without reserve,  
and spread Christ's liberating word.