

# THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

## THE INVOCATION & THE CONFESSION

P: We begin our worship in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: In that name, and with that faith – as dear children approaching a loving parent, as sinners redeemed by the blood of the Lamb, as believers filled with the Holy Spirit – let us confess our sins to almighty God.

C: Let us seek forgiveness..

*(Silence for meditation and self – examination)*

P: Most merciful God,

C: **we have been unworthy and disobedient children. We have ignored our Father's admonitions, disregarded our Savior's instructions, grieved the Holy Spirit. We are not worthy to be called children of God. But we beg you – of your fatherly compassion, by your saving merits, at your inviting call – to have mercy on us and grant us your forgiveness.**

P: God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him might not perish but have eternal life. To those who believe in Jesus Christ, the heavenly Father gives the Holy Spirit that they may be children of God. Rejoice in the Lord; your sins are forgiven – in the name of the Father and of the +Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

## THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you

People: And also with you

## THE HYMN – “They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love”

## THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
as you sent upon the disciples the promised gift of the Holy Spirit,  
look upon your Church and open our hearts to the power of the Spirit.

Kindle in us the fire of your love,  
and strengthen our lives for service in your kingdom;  
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever. Amen.

## THE FIRST AND SECOND LESSONS

## THE READING OF THE HOLY GOSPEL

## THE OFFICE HYMN – “Holy Spirit Ever Dwelling”

## THE SERMON: “Tenders of the Fire”

## THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from light.  
true God from true God,  
begotten not made,  
of one being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and our salvation

he came down from heaven;  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary and was made  
man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures  
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.


We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy,    **People: Hear our prayer.**

#### THE OFFERTORY AND THE PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

#### THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine upon you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and  give you peace.  
**People: Amen.**

#### THE RECESSIONAL HYMN – “This Little Gospel Light of Mine”

Pastor: Go in peace, serve the Lord.  
**People: Thanks be to God. Amen**

**81. THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS  
BY OUR LOVE**

- 1. We are one in the Spirit.  
We are one in the Lord.  
We are one in the Spirit.  
We are one in the Lord.  
And we pray that all unity,  
may one day be restored.**

**Chorus:**

**And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love.  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

- 2. We will walk with each other.  
We will walk hand in hand.  
We will walk with each other.  
We will walk hand in hand.  
And together we'll spread the news,  
that God is in our land. (Chorus)**
- 3. We will work with each other.  
We will work side by side.  
We will work with each other.  
We will work side by side.  
And we'll guard each man's dignity,  
and save each man's pride. (Chorus)**
- 4. All praise to the Father,  
from whom all things come.  
All praise to Christ Jesus,  
His only Son,  
And all praise to the Spirit,  
who makes us one. (Chorus)**

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# Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

1 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er dwell - ing In the ho - liest  
 2 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er liv - ing As the Church's  
 3 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er work - ing Through the Church's

realms of light; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er brood - ing  
 ver - y life; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er striv - ing  
 min - is - try; Quick - 'ning, strength-'ning, and ab - solv - ing,

O'er a world of gloom and night; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er  
 Through us in a cease - less strife; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er  
 Set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er

rais - ing Those of earth to thrones on high; Liv - ing, life - im -  
 form - ing In the Church the mind of Christ: You we praise with  
 bind - ing Age to age and soul to soul In com - mu - nion

part - ing Spir - it, You we praise and mag - ni - fy.  
 end - less wor - ship For your gifts and fruits un - priced.  
 nev - er end - ing, You we wor - ship and ex - tol.

## 70. SPIRIT SONG

1. O let the Son of God enfold you  
with His Spirit and His love.  
Let Him fill your life and satisfy your soul.  
O let Him have the things that hold you  
and His Spirit, like a dove,  
Will descend upon your life  
and make you whole.  
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.  
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.
2. O come and sing this song with gladness  
as your hearts are filled with joy.  
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to His name.  
O give Him all your tears and sadness,  
give Him all your years of pain.  
And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name.  
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.  
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

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# Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove

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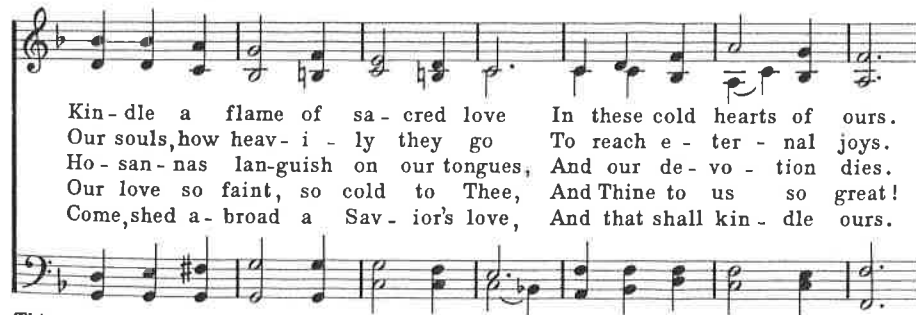
ISAAC WATTS, 1674-1748

ST. AGNES

JOHN B. DYKES, 1823-1876



1. Come, Ho-ly Spir-it, heav'n-ly Dove, With all Thy quick-'ning pow'rs;  
2. Look how we grov-el here be-low, Fond of these earth-ly toys;  
3. In vain we tune our for-mal songs, In vain we strive to rise;  
4. Dear Lord, and shall we ev-er live At this poor dy-ing rate?  
5. Come, Ho-ly Spir-it, heav'n-ly Dove, With all Thy quick-'ning pow'rs;



Kin-dle a flame of sa-cred love In these cold hearts of ours.  
Our souls, how heav-i-ly they go To reach e-ter-nal joys.  
Ho-san-nas lan-guish on our tongues, And our de-vo-tion dies.  
Our love so faint, so cold to Thee, And Thine to us so great!  
Come, shed a-broad a Sav-ior's love, And that shall kin-dle ours.

*This tune in a higher key: 58.*

# This Little Gospel Light of Mine

1. This lit the gos-pel light of mine, I'm gon-na let it shine  
 2. Hide it, un-der a bu-shel? NO!  
 3. Dont. Let Sa-tan wh... it out, I'm gon-na let it shine

This lit the gos-pel light of mine, I'm gon-na let it shine,  
 Hide it un-der a bu-shel? NO!  
 Dont Let Sa-tan wh... it out, I'm gon-na let it shine,

This lit the gos-pel light of mine, I'm gon-na let it shine,  
 Hide it un-der a bu-shel? NO!  
 Dont Let Sa-tan wh... it out, I'm gon-na let it shine,

3. Let it shine let it shine let it shine

4. All around the neighborhood I'm gonna let it shine  
 All around the neighborhood, I'm gonna let it shine  
 All around the neighborhood, I'm gonna let it shine  
 Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine