

# Wednesday Hymns 13.10.21

## Hymn. 452

Brood o'er us with Thy shelt'ring wing,  
'Neath which our spirits blend  
Like brother birds, that soar and sing,  
And on the same branch bend.  
The arrow that doth wound the dove  
Darts not from those who watch and love.

If thou the bending reed wouldst break  
By thought or word unkind,  
Pray that his spirit you partake,  
Who loved and healed mankind:  
Seek holy thoughts and heavenly strain,  
That make men one in love remain.

Learn, too, that wisdom's rod is given  
For faith to kiss, and know;  
That greetings glorious from high heaven,  
Whence joys supernal flow,  
Come from that Love, divinely near,  
Which chastens pride and earth-born fear,

Through God, who gave that word of might  
Which swelled creation's lay:  
“Let there be light, and there was light.”  
What chased the clouds away?  
'Twas Love whose finger traced aloud  
A bow of promise on the cloud.

Thou to whose power our hope we give,

Free us from human strife.  
Fed by Thy love divine we live,  
For Love alone is Life;  
And life most sweet, as heart to heart  
Speaks kindly when we meet and part.

Words: MARY BAKER EDDY

Music: James Leith Macbeth Bain; adapt. and harm. Robert Rockabrand

### **Hymn. 69**

Give me, O Lord, an understanding heart,  
That I may learn to know myself in Thee,  
To spurn the wrong and choose the better part  
And thus from sinful bondage be set free.

Give me, O Lord, a meek and contrite heart,  
That I may learn to quell all selfish pride,  
Bowing before Thee, see Thee as Thou art  
And 'neath Thy sheltering presence safely hide.

Give me, O Lord, a gentle, loving heart,  
That I may learn to be more tender, kind,  
And with Thy healing touch, each wound and smart  
With Christly bands of Love and Truth to bind.

Words: JAMES J. ROME

Music: Orlando Gibbons

### **Hymn. 12**

Arise ye people, take your stand,  
Cast out your idols from the land,  
Above all doctrine, form or creed  
Is found the Truth that meets your need.  
Christ's promise stands: they that believe  
His works shall do, his power receive.

Go forward then, and as ye preach  
So let your works confirm your speech,  
And prove to all with following sign  
The Word of God is power divine.  
In love and healing ministry  
Show forth the Truth that makes men free.

O Father-Mother God, whose plan  
Hath given dominion unto man,  
In Thine own image we may see  
Man pure and upright, whole and free.  
And ever through our work shall shine  
That light whose glory, Lord, is Thine.

Words: VIOLET HAY

Music: John B. Dykes