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**May We Be Christ in the World!**  
SATB Choir, Keyboard, Guitar, Optional Percussion  
Solo Instrument I & II in C, Assembly

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# **CHORAL SERIES**

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Preview

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DOLORES 11.10.10 + refrains

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♩ = ca. 176

**Melody**

1. Form - ing a peo - ple to pray as one bod - y, *Thanks be to God! ;Gra-cias a Dios!*
2. Fill - ing our lives with the call of the Gos - pel,
3. Forg - ing a - head as we seek to en - light - en,
4. Find - ing our joy in the Lord's in - spir - a - tion,
5. Fol - low the pre - cept to pray with - out ceas - ing,
6. Filled with per - spec - tive that his - t'ry can give us,

**Optional SATB Choir**

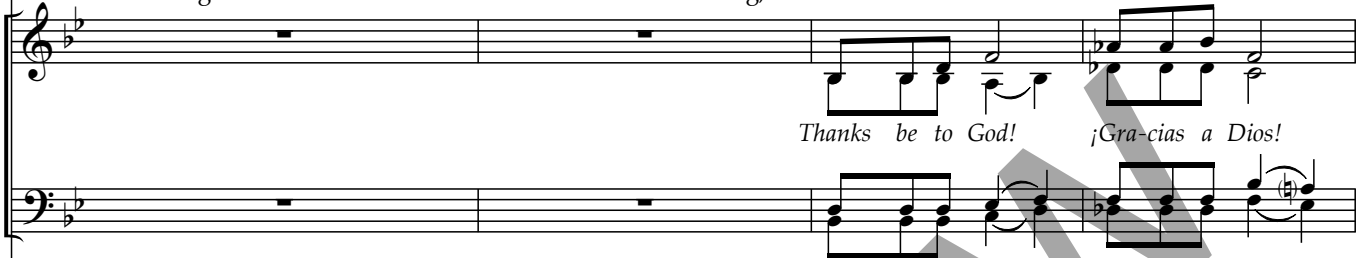
(Capo 3) G Bm G/B Am7 Dsus4 D G D G/B Bb Dsus4 D7

x = optional light percussion (same rhythm throughout)

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1. Deep - en - ing trust in the source of all love, *Thanks be to God! ¡Gra-cias a Dios!*  
 2. Do - ing the work that brings life to all hearts,  
 3. Dar - ing to kin - dle new bea - cons of flame,  
 4. Du - ty finds plea - sure in words that are true,  
 5. Dance to the mu - sic and texts that give life,  
 6. Dream - ing of all a new fu - ture could bring,



*Thanks be to God! ¡Gra-cias a Dios!*

G/B Em7 Am7 Dsus4 D G D G/B Bb Dsus4 D



1. Lead - ing the way on the jour - ney of faith, *Thanks be to God! ¡Gra-cias a Dios!*  
 2. Learn - ing the path - ways that call us to hope,  
 3. Lov - ing the bless - ings that make us re - joice!  
 4. Lav - ish - ing gifts on the poor and op - pressed,  
 5. Long for the lang - uage that sets peo - ple free!  
 6. Liv - ing the way that will take us to God,



*Thanks be to God! ¡Gra-cias a Dios!*

Bm Em Em7 Am D D7 G D G/B Bb Dsus4 Bm7

## S. and Assembly



Called to bring Christ to the world, \_\_\_\_\_ may we be Christ in the world! \_\_\_\_\_  
*or:* ¡Trai - ga - mos Cris - to al mun - do, \_\_\_\_\_ se - a - mos Cris - to en el mun - do! \_\_\_\_\_

A.

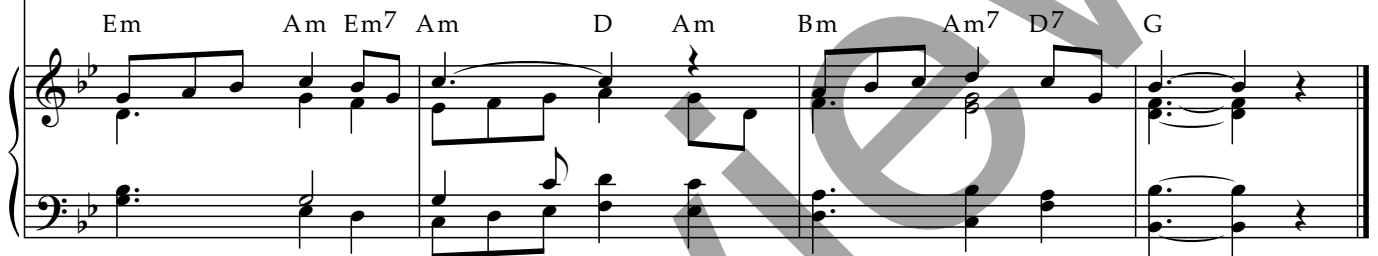


Called to bring Christ to the world, be Christ in the world! \_\_\_\_\_  
*or:* ¡Trai - ga - mos Cris - to al mun - do, Cris - to en el mun - do! \_\_\_\_\_

T. B.



Em Am Em7 Am D Am Bm Am7 D7 G



## ALTERNATE TEXTS FOR VARIOUS OCCASIONS

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## Melody



7. Bap - tized in wa - ter, con - firmed by the Spir - it, *Thanks be to God!* *¡Gra-cias a Dios!*  
 8. Love is our mis - sion and love is our call - ing, *or:*  
 9. Tak - ing our place at the Lord's ho - ly ta - ble, *Al - le - lu - ia,* *al - le - lu - ia!*  
 10. Now we re - mem - ber the ones gone be - fore us,  
 11. Pledg - ing our lives to the cause of for - ma - tion,  
 12. Sing - ing and prais - ing in this cel - e - bra - tion,

## Optional SATB Choir

*Thanks be to God!* *¡Gra-cias a Dios!*  
*or: Al - le - lu - ia,* *al - le - lu - ia!*

(Capo 3) G Bm G/B Am<sup>7</sup> Dsus<sup>4</sup> D G D G/B B<sup>b</sup> Dsus<sup>4</sup> D7

Keyboard  
 x x x x x x x (simile)

x = optional light percussion (same rhythm throughout)

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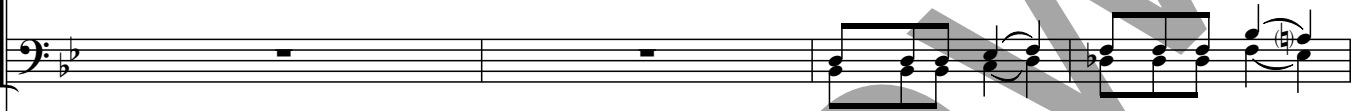


7. Nour - ished with word and with bod - y and blood,  
 8. Jus - tice and peace are the means that we use,  
 9. Shar - ing our food with the hun - gry and poor,  
 10. Marked with the sign of the faith that is true,  
 11. Giv - ing our hearts to the rite that we love,  
 12. Call - ing to mind all our needs and con - cerns,

*Thanks be to God! ;Gra-cias a Dios!*  
*or:*  
*Al - le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!*



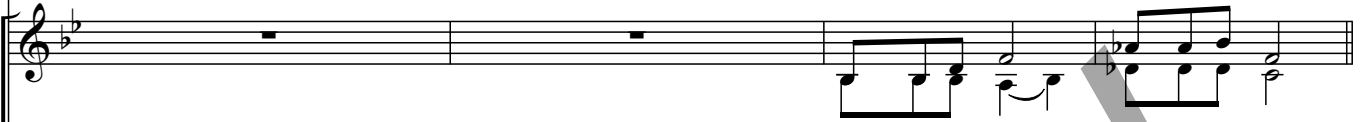
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*or: Al - le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!*



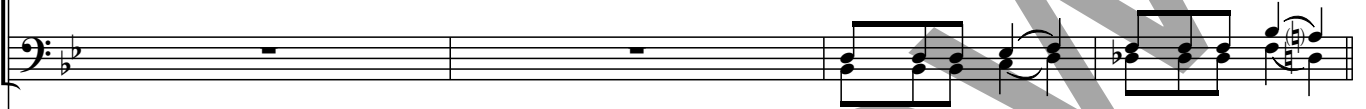
G/B Em7 Am7 Dsus4 D G D G/B Bb Dsus4 D



7. Cov - ered with oil, and with hands laid up - on us, *Thanks be to God!* *¡Gra-cias a Dios!*  
 8. Root - ed in scrip-ture and cen - tered on prayer, *or:*  
 9. Giv - ing our drink to all those who are thirst - y, *Al - le - lu - ia,* *al - le - lu - ia!*  
 10. Play - ing their part in the work of re - demp - tion,  
 11. Work for the king-dom, the joy that will come. *or:*  
 12. Strong in the Spir - it who guides ev - 'ry step, *or:*



*Thanks be to God!* *¡Gra-cias a Dios!*  
*or: Al - le - lu - ia,* *al - le - lu - ia!*



Bm Em Em7 Am D D7 G D G/B Bb Dsus4 Bm7

### S. and Assembly



*Called to bring Christ to the world,* *may we be Christ in the world!*  
*or: ¡Trai - ga - mos Cris - to al mun - do,* *se - a - mos Cris - to en el mun - do!*

A.



*Called to bring Christ to the world, be Christ in the world!*  
*or: ¡Trai - ga - mos Cris - to al mun - do, Cris - to en el mun - do!*

T. B.



Em Am Em7 Am D Am Bm Am7 D7 G

## May We Be Christ in the World!

## C instrument 1

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Musical score for C instrument 1, first system. The score consists of four staves of music in 7/8 time, key of B-flat major. The melody is primarily eighth and sixteenth notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign. The second and third staves continue the melody. The fourth staff concludes the system with a final double bar line and a repeat sign.

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## May We Be Christ in the World!

## C instrument 2

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Musical score for C instrument 2, first system. The score consists of four staves of music in 7/8 time, key of B-flat major. The melody is primarily eighth and sixteenth notes, with some slurs. The first staff ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign. The second and third staves continue the melody. The fourth staff concludes the system with a final double bar line and a repeat sign.

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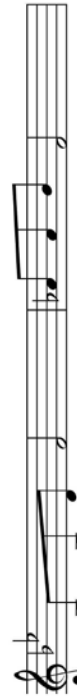
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2. Fill - ing our lives with the call of the Gos - pel,
3. For - ing a - head as we seek to en - light - en,
4. Find - ing our joy in the Lord's in - spir - a - tion,
5. Fol - low the pre - cept to pray with - out ceas - ing,
6. Filled with per - spec - tive that his - t'ry can give us,



Thanks be to God!



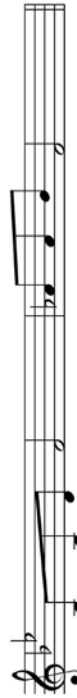
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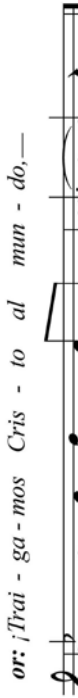
*¡Gra - cias a Dios!*

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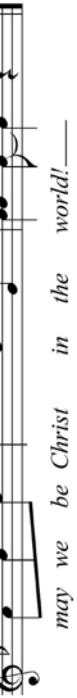
May We Be Christ in the World 2



Called to bring Christ to the world, —



or: *¡Trai - ga - mos Cris - to al mun - do, —*



may we be Christ in the world! —

*se - a - mos Cris - to en el mun - do! —*

## May We Be Christ in the World!

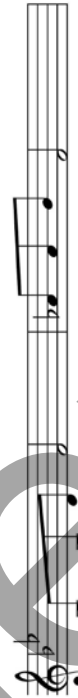
Alternate Texts for Various Occasions

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DOLORES 11.10.10+ refrains



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8. Love is our mis - sion and love is our call - ing,
9. Tak - ing our place at the Lord's ho - ly ta - ble,
10. Now we re - mem - ber the ones gone be - fore us,
11. Pledg - ing our lives to the cause of for - ma - tion,
12. Sing - ing and prais - ing in this cel - e - bra - tion,



Thanks be to God!

or: *¡Gra - cias a Dios!*

*Al - le - lu - ia,*



7. Nour - ished with word and with bod - y and blood,
8. Jus - tice and peace are the means that we use,
9. Shar - ing our food with the hun - gry and poor,
10. Marked with the sign of the faith that is true,
11. Giv - ing our hearts to the rite that we love,
12. Call - ing to mind all our needs and con - cerns,

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*Thanks be to God!*  
*or: Al - le - lu - ia,*

*¡Gra - cias a Dios!*  
*al - le - lu - ia!*

7. Cov - ered with oil, and with hands laid up - on us,  
 8. Root - ed in scrip - ture and cen - tered on prayer, —  
 9. Giv - ing our drink to all those who are thirst - y,  
 10. Play - ing their part in the work of re - demp - tion,  
 11. Work for the king - dom, the joy that will come. —  
 12. Strong in the Spir - it who guides ev - 'ry step, —

*Thanks be to God!*  
*or: Al - le - lu - ia,*

*¡Gra - cias a Dios!*  
*al - le - lu - ia!*

*Called to bring Christ to the world, —*  
*or: ¡Trai - ga - mos Cris - to al mun - do, —*  
*may we be Christ in the world! —*  
*se - a - mos Cris - to en el mun - do! —*

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This hymn in thanksgiving for 50 years of service by the Federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions was commissioned for its 2019 celebrations: The Federation at Fifty — Prayer Without Ceasing.

Verses 1-6 include an FDLC acrostic, indicated by bold lettering, and the 50th anniversary motto is incorporated into verse 5. It is not envisaged that all twelve verses would ever be used on the same occasion: selections from them should be made in accordance with the celebration.

The slightly jaunty feel of the music may be enhanced by discreet hand percussion if desired — for example, clapping gently with the back of one hand into the palm of the other.

The hymn tune is named DOLORES in honor of Dr Dolores Martinez, both a friend and a long-time member of the Federation, who assisted with the Spanish translation of the main refrain.

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## MAY WE BE CHRIST IN THE WORLD!

### Hymn for the 50th Anniversary of FDLC, 1969-2019

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Forming a people to pray as one body,  
*Thanks be to God! ¡Gracias a Dios!*  
 Deepening trust in the source of all love,  
*Thanks be to God! ¡Gracias a Dios!*  
 Leading the way on the journey of faith,  
*Thanks be to God! ¡Gracias a Dios!*  
*Called to bring Christ to the world, may we be Christ in the world!*  
**or:**  
*¡Traigamos Cristo al mundo, seamos Cristo en el mundo!*

Filling our lives with the call of the Gospel,  
 Doing the work that brings life to all hearts,  
 Learning the pathways that call us to hope,  
*Called to bring Christ to the world, may we be Christ in the world!*

Forging ahead as we seek to enlighten,  
 Daring to kindle new beacons of flame,  
 Loving the blessings that make us rejoice!  
*Called to bring Christ to the world, may we be Christ in the world!*

Finding our joy in the Lord's inspiration,  
 Duty finds pleasure in words that are true,  
 Lavishing gifts on the poor and oppressed,  
*Called to bring Christ to the world, may we be Christ in the world!*

Follow the precept to pray without ceasing,  
 Dance to the music and texts that give life,  
 Long for the language that sets people free!  
*Called to bring Christ to the world, may we be Christ in the world!*

Filled with perspective that history can give us,  
 Dreaming of all a new future could bring,  
 Living the way that will take us to God,  
*Called to bring Christ to the world, may we be Christ in the world!*

**MAY WE BE CHRIST IN THE WORLD!****Alternate texts for various occasions**

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Baptized in water, confirmed by the Spirit,  
*Thanks be to God! ¡Gracias a Dios! or: Alleluia, alleluia!*  
 Nourished with word and with body and blood,  
*Thanks be to God! ¡Gracias a Dios! or: Alleluia, alleluia!*  
 Covered with oil, and with hands laid upon us,  
*Thanks be to God! ¡Gracias a Dios! or: Alleluia, alleluia!*  
*Called to bring Christ to the world, may we be Christ in the world!*  
**or:**  
*¡Traigamos Cristo al mundo, seamos Cristo en el mundo!*

Love is our mission and love is our calling,  
 Justice and peace are the means that we use,  
 Rooted in scripture and centered on prayer,  
*Called to bring Christ to the world, may we be Christ in the world!*

Taking our place at the Lord's holy table,  
 Sharing our food with the hungry and poor,  
 Giving our drink to all those who are thirsty,  
*Called to bring Christ to the world, may we be Christ in the world!*

Now we remember the ones gone before us,  
 Marked with the sign of the faith that is true,  
 Playing their part in the work of redemption,  
*Called to bring Christ to the world, may we be Christ in the world!*

Pledging our lives to the cause of formation,  
 Giving our hearts to the rite that we love,  
 Work for the kingdom, the joy that will come.  
*Called to bring Christ to the world, may we be Christ in the world!*

Singing and praising in this celebration,  
 Calling to mind all our needs and concerns,  
 Strong in the Spirit who guides every step,  
*Called to bring Christ to the world, may we be Christ in the world!*

