

## Hymn Lyrics for January 8, 2023

### Hymn #349, "We Gather Together"

We gather together in joyful thanksgiving,  
Acclaiming creation, whose bounty we share;  
Both sorrow and gladness we find now in our living,  
We sing a hymn of praise to the life that we bear.

We gather together to join in the journey,  
Confirming, committing our passage to be  
A true affirmation, in joy and tribulation,  
When bound to human care and hope then we are free.

### Hymn #126, "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune our ears to sing thy grace.  
Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
While the hope of life's perfection fills our hearts with joy and love,  
teach us ever to be faithful, may we still thy goodness prove.

Come, thou fount of ev'ry vision, lift our eyes to what may come.  
See the lion and the young lamb dwell together in thy home.  
Hear the cries of war fall silent, feel our love glow like the sun.  
When we all serve one another, then our heaven is begun.

Come, thou fount of inspiration, turn our lives to higher ways.  
Lift our gloom and desperation, show the promise of this day.  
Help us bind ourselves in union, help our hands tell of our love.  
With thine aid, O fount of justice, earth be fair as heav'n above.

### #414, "As We Leave This Friendly Place" (2x)

As we leave this friendly place,  
Love give light to every face;  
May the kindness which we learn  
Light out hearts till we return.