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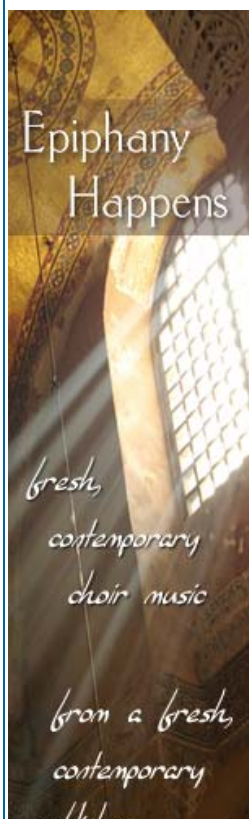
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# Practical Tools

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## Music With Congregational Participation

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Many of our magazine readers comment that repertoire lists that we provide on specific subjects are helpful. In the September/October, 1987, issue emphasizing congregational involvement, we included a list of 90 favorites from several music directors who have long-supported the use of such anthems. Those who contributed to this listing (and their then places of service) are: **David L. Coolidge**, Park Place Church of God, Anderson, Indiana; **Don G. Fontana** (now deceased), St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, Newport Beach, California; **Rob L. Hewell**, First Baptist Church, Mulvane, Kansas; **David L. Patton**, First United Methodist Church, Orlando, Florida; **Eva Lee Savage**, Advent Lutheran Church, Boca Raton, Florida; **John Yarrington**, First United Methodist Church, Dallas, Texas.

- Choral Music with Congregation**
- All Creatures of Our God and King** (arr. S. Drummond Wolff) Concordia Publishing House (98-2584)
  - All Creatures of Our God and King** (Alice Parker) Hinshaw Music (HMC-3 71)
  - All Hail the Power** (arr. Walter Pelz) Augsburg Publishing House (11-2226)
  - All Hail the Power Of Jesus Name** (arr. Hal Hopson) Harold Flammer (A-5974)
  - Amazing Grace!** (Frank Pooler) Carl Fischer (CM 8063)
  - Angels From the Realms of Glory** (arr. Englert) G.I.A. (G-2613)
  - Angels We Have Heard** (arr. Robert Powell) G.I.A. (G-2521)
  - The Armour of God** (John Ness Beck) Beckenhorst Press (BP1160)
  - Built on a Rock** (Cassler) Augsburg Publishing House (9090)
  - Choral Fanfares '1'** (arr. Dan Bird) Fred Bock Music Company (B-G0135)
  - A Christmas Triptych: III Joy to the World** (Richard Proulx) G.I.A. Publications (G-2077)
  - Christ the Sure Foundation** (arr. Carlton Young) Agape (AG 7190)
  - Christ the Lord is Risen Again** (arr. Walter Pelz) Augsburg Publishing House (11-9120)

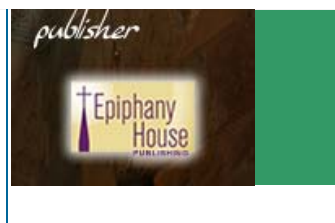
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**The Church's One Foundation** (arr. Emma Lou Diemer) Hinshaw Music (HMC-525)  
**The Church Victorious** (John Carter) Beckenhorst Press (BP115 7)  
**Come, Christians, Join to Sing** (arr. Hal Hopson) Jenson Publications (433-03014)  
**Come Ye Thankful People** (arr. Pasquet) Augsburg (11-1884)  
**Creating God, Your Fingers Trace** (arr. Walter Pelz) Agape (HSA 104)  
**Credo** (Jane Marshall) A.M.S.I. (264)  
**Crown Him With Many Crowns** (arr. Richard Proulx) Augsburg Publishing House (11-9167)  
**Crown Him With Many Crowns** (arr. Walter Pelz) Augsburg Publishing House (11-9093)  
**Crown Him With Many Crowns** (arr. D. Busarow) Fortress Press (3-8402 (SAB))  
**Crown Him Lord of All** (Garry Comell) Celebrations Unlimited (CU 124)  
**Crown Him Lord of All** (arr. Michael Crawford) Fred Bock Music Company (B-G0503)  
  
**Down by the Riverside** (John Rutter) Oxford University Press (84.248)  
  
**Fanfare and Hymn for Easter Morning** (arr. Paul Sjolund) Fred Bock Music Company (B-G1490)  
**Festival St. Anne** (Hal Hopson) A.M.S.I. (AMSI 498)  
**Festival Piece on 'St. Anne'** (Eugene Butler) McAfee Music (DMC 1119)  
**The First Song of Isaiah** (Jack Noble White) H.W. Gray/Belwin Mills (CMR 3347)  
**The First Song of Isaiah** (Erik Routley) Hinshaw Music (HMC-682)  
  
**God Is Here** (arr. Austin Lovelace) Oxford University Press (94.010)  
**Go Forth Into The World** (arr. Carlton Young) Hinshaw Music (HMC 351)  
**The Greatest of These** (Jane Marshall) Agape (AG 7274)  
**The Greatest is Love** (Carlton Young) Hope Publishing Company (CY 3353)  
  
**A Holy Festival** (John Ness Beck) Fred Bock Music Company (B-G0181)  
**Holy, Holy is the Cry** (D.Johnson) Augsburg Publishing House (11-2065)  
**Holy, Holy, Holy** (arr. Bob Walters) Broadman Press (4563-91)  
**Holy, Holy, Holy** (arr. S. Drummond Wolff) Concordia Publishing House (98-2129)  
**Hope of the World** (arr. Carl Schalk) Agape (HSA 101)  
**Hymn Cantatas** (Valclav Nelhybel) Agape (AG 7242)  
**Hymn for Our Time** (John Ness Beck) G. Schirmer (11575)  
**Hymn for Easter Day** (John Ness Beck) Theodore Presser (312)  
**Hymn of Joyous Praise** (arr. Allan Robert Parker) Fred Bock Music Company (B-G0530)  
**Hymn of Praise** (arr. John Carter) Hope Publishing Company (JC-288)  
  
**I'll Praise My Maker** (Eugene Butler) Beckenhorst Press (BP 1138)  
  
**Jesus Shall Reign** (arr. Hal Hopson) G.I.A. Publications (G-2135)  
**Joyful, Joyful** (Alice Parker) Hinshaw Music (HMC-671)  
**Joy to the World, the Lord is Coming** (Fred Bock) Fred Bock Music Company (B-G0180)  
**Jubilant Canticle** (John Ness Beck) Beckenhorst Press (BP 1137)  
  
**The King of Glory** (Austin Lovelace) Choristers Guild (A-198)  
  
**Lead On O King Eternal** (arr. D. Johnson) Augsburg Publishing House (11-1664)  
**Let This Mind Be In You** (Paul Liljestrang) Hope Publishing Company (A-566)  
**Lift High the Cross** (arr. Herman) Fortress Music Press (3-8203)  
**Litany for America** (Austin Lovelace) Somerset Press (SP 715)  
**Litany of Thanksgiving** (John Ness Beck) Beckenhorst Press (BP 1137)  
**Look for Me in Lowly Men** (Richard Proulx) G.I.A. Publications, Inc. (G-2145)  
  
**The Lord's My Shepherd** (Hal Hopson) Agape (HH 3915)  
**Lord You Have Searched Me** (arr. Hurd) G.I.A. Publications (G-2861)  
**Love Divine** (O.D. Jr. Hall) Fred Bock Music Company (B-G0495)  
  
**A Mighty Fortress Is Our God** (arr. S. Drummond Wolff) Concordia Publishing House (98-2606)  
  
**Now Thank We All Our God** (arr. John Rutter) Oxford University Press (019-3673762)  
  
**O Come, All Ye Faithful** (arr. Robert Powell) Augsburg Publishing House (11-2284)  
**O Come, All Ye Faithful** (Wade/John Rutter) Hinshaw Music (HMC-847)  
**O Come, All Ye Faithful** (arr. Robert Clatterbuck) Hope Publishing Company (RC 2224)  
**O Come, All Ye Faithful** (arr. Bob Walters) Word Music (3010289162)  
**O For a Thousand Tongues** (arr. John Ness Beck) Fred Bock Music Company (B-G0308)  
**O God, Our Help in Ages Past** (arr. Don Marsh) Gaither Music (GG5185)  
**O God, Our Help in Ages Past** (Maurice Whitney) H.W. Gray/Belwin Mills (GCMR 2435)  
**O How Amiable** (Ralph Vaughan Williams) Oxford University Press (A.94)  
**Old Hundredth Psalm Tune** (Ralph Vaughan Williams) Oxford University Press (42 P 953)  
**On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand** (arr. Sheldon Curry) Word Music (CS-3026)  
**On the Rock the Church Doth Stand** (Austin Lovelace) Augsburg Publishing House (11-1806)

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**Praise to the Lord** (Parker) Lawson-Gould (51605)  
**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty** (arr. Hal Hopson) Sacred Music Press (S-358)  
**Psalm XLVI** (John Ness Beck) Beckenhorst Press (BP1153)

**Rise, Shine!** (Dale Wood) Augsburg Publishing House (11-1851)

**The Second Song of Isaiah** (Erik Routley) Hinshaw Music (HMC-684)  
**Sing Joy!** (Douglas Wagner) Harold Flammer (A-6033)

**Take, Believe** (Robert Wetzler) A.M.S.I. (183)  
**Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise** (Carl Schalk) Augsburg Publishing House (11-2173)  
**This Joyful Eastertide** (arr. S. Drummond Wolff) Concordia Publishing House (98-2221)  
**This Joyful Eastertide** (arr. Austin Lovelace) G.I.A. Publications (G-2872)  
**Thy Strong Word** (arr. Carl Schalk) Concordia Publishing House (97-5234)  
**Today, Tomorrow and Every Day** (Paul Sjolund) Hinshaw Music (HMC-548)

**Upon This Rock** (arr. John Ness Beck) G. Schirmer (11467)

**Welcome to the Table** (Robert Wetzler) A.M.S.I. (184)  
**What Child is This** (Robert Powell) G.I.A. Publications (G-2446)  
**Where Two or Three are Gathered** (John Purifoy) Purifoy Publishing Company (479-23034)

**Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones** (Robert Powell) G.I.A. Publications (G-2427)

## Final Thoughts

**A**s you can see by the names of the composers, this article is from a time when things were different. But the music featured in this list is "classic" in many ways (not done the John Ness Beck **Psalm XLVI**? Start working on it now!...oops sorry, just my opinion!), and deserves a closer look. For those of you who are relatively "new" to being a church musician or your particular place of service, check your choral library to see if any of these great pieces are there. If so, pull them out and take a look at them...it could be one of the greatest acts of stewardship you perform during 2010. One more thing...elsewhere on this site we have many of our **Select 20** reviews from years past. You must register and log in to see them, and I highly recommend that you do so before you make your music purchases this spring and summer ([you can click here](#)).

Blessings.



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