The holy apostle and evangelist John the Theologian

MAY 8

1. O come you now; with praises crown Saint John, loved by the Lord, whose Gospel thunders loudly: “In beginning was the Word!”

2. Saint John, the lyre of heaven, sang of Christ, our God and Lord, who came to give abundant life; great praise let us afford!

3. Of Mary, faithful guardian, good pastor to his flock, Saint John inspires us each to cling to Christ, the mighty Rock.

4. In days of Paschal beauty, let our hymns of glory rise; with John and heaven’s armies, we on earth now fill the skies:

From leaning on the Master’s breast came wisdom so profound; his letters preach our duty, God and neighbor both to love;

O Loving God, both One-and-Three, proclaimed in words of flame, to God and Father, glory be! To Jesus, Lord and King;

His writings of the God-Man spread this truth the world around. With in this teaching, let us aim from earth to heav’n above.

Let us be faithful as he taught, in praise of your great Name! To Spirit, who inspires us all: God’s glory let us sing!

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