1. Our Church, in joyful chorus, now raises from hearts and minds overflowing with love our hymns of thanks, full-throated with praises, for our Apostles, guarding from above!

2. Two brothers, called from home and comfort, brought Gospel joy to peoples untaught. Through Word and Sacrament, they taught of God the Three-in-One, whose blessings that, growing daily in love and witness, for our Christ, whose dear Blood their ransom had made, with Christ’s grace, their corner stone. our Church may thrive, in spite of plot and scheme.

3. Through strife and conflict, their work was ceaseless, teaching the Slavs in words all their own strong in their faith, the Church of their dream, our hymns of thanks, full-throated with praises, for our Apostles, guarding from above!

4. May we, their sons and daughters, e’er cherish joy called consuls from conflict, and their home rus, workters, now and e’er ceased, cease-cess for our Apostles, guarding from above!

MAY 11

For Cyril and Methodius, Lord,

Your Church on earth will e-v’ry praise afford!

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