

# Anniversary Hymn

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During the summer of 1996 Rev. Brauer wrote this hymn in anticipation of the anniversaries for four churches with which he had previous associations. The anniversaries were all to occur in 1997. He offered the hymn for use by each of the churches at their special events. The four churches included:

Mt. Olive, Schofield (Weston), WI - 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. He helped establish this congregation. Used on anniversary on February 17, 1977.

Redeemer, Green Bay, WI - 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. He served as pastor for 11 years.

St. Paul's, Malcolm, NE - 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Congregation where he was confirmed.

St. Paul's, Julesburg, CO - 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Congregation where he was ordained and served for four years.

The hymn tune is All' Ehr' und Lob, *Kirchengesangbuch*, Strasburg, 1541.

1 On this our joy - ous fes - ti - val We of - fer you, O  
2 When days were dark and hopes grew dim, Sus - tained by grace from  
3 Spir - it, O guide us e'er to do What brings new souls un -  
4 Lord, grant us joy as we re - call Your gra - cious boun - ties

Lord, our praise As we re - call your bound - less love Be -  
your dear hand, En - a - bling uss the work to do And  
der your care With us to find heav'ns bright - est hope As  
through the years And fill our hearts with thanks so true Our

stowed on us through all the days. Flow - ing from hearts your words be -  
in our faith to firm - ly stand, As in times past your pard' - ning  
grace in Christ you help us share; Then will your name be glo - ri -  
songs bring plea - sure to your ears. Prompt now the praise we of - fer

lieve, Our hum - ble thanks, Lord, now re - ceive.  
love Was flow - ing free - ly from a - bove.  
fied And ev' - ry bless - ing mul - ti - plied.  
you For grace, O Lord, that's ev - er new.