

# Everybody's Favorites: Hymns That Last

Based on a survey of 28 mainline Protestant hymnals, from the late 1800s through the 20th century.

<b>NEAR RIGHT:</b> Denominations typically produce one new hymnal per generation. Six denominations and 28 editions in the survey.	<b>ANGLICAN: 4 EDITIONS</b> 1892, 1916, 1940, 1982	<b>BAPTIST: 4 EDITIONS</b> 1883, 1926, 1941, 1970	<b>CONGREGATIONAL: 5 EDS.</b> 1897, 1912, 1931, 1974, 1995	<b>LUTHERAN: 5 EDITIONS</b> 1899, 1917, 1933, 1978/00, 2006	<b>METHODIST: 5 EDITIONS</b> 1878, 1905, 1933, 1964, 1989	<b>PRESBYTERIAN: 5 EDS.</b> 1885/1911, 1933, 1955, 1972, 1990	<b>NUMBER OF APPEARANCES</b>	Christian Life Hymnal <i>Hendrickson Pub 2006</i>	Hymnal of Worship and Celebration <i>Word 1986</i>	Hymns for the Family of God <i>Paragon 1976</i>	The Covenant Hymnal <i>Covenant Press 1973</i>
<b>FAR RIGHT:</b> Recent hymnals that are popular among evangelicals, compared with the hymnals in the survey.											
<b>NUMBER OF APPEARANCES:</b> Maximum possible appearances is 28, as in hymns 1 through 13. Items 14–22 appear in 27 of 28; items 23–27 appear in 26 of 28. All hymns listed appear in current hymnal editions.											

BELOW: 13 in all 28 editions, 9 in 27, and 5 in 26.

			Number of editions in which hymn appears							Current evangelical hymnals			
<b>1</b>	1847	Abide with me: fast falls the eventide <i>H. Lyte</i>	4	4	5	5	5	5	28	•	•	•	•
<b>2</b>	1779	All hail the power of Jesus' name <i>E. Perronet</i>	4	4	5	5	5	5	28	•	•	•	•
<b>3</b>	1844	Come, ye thankful people, come <i>H. Alford</i>	4	4	5	5	5	5	28	•	•	•	•
<b>4</b>	1851	Crown him with many crowns <i>M. Bridges; alt. G. Thring, 1874</i>	4	4	5	5	5	5	28	•	•	•	•
<b>5</b>	1779	Glorious things of thee are spoken <i>J. Newton</i>	4	4	5	5	5	5	28	•	•	•	•
<b>6</b>	1745	Guide me, O thou great Jehovah <i>Wm. Williams</i>	4	4	5	5	5	5	28	•	•	•	•
<b>7</b>	1826	Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty <i>R. Heber</i>	4	4	5	5	5	5	28	•	•	•	•
<b>8</b>	1787	How firm a foundation, ye saints <i>R. Keene</i>	4	4	5	5	5	5	28	•	•	•	•
<b>9</b>	1825	In the cross of Christ I glory <i>J. Bowring</i>	4	4	5	5	5	5	28	•	•	•	•
<b>10</b>	1719	Jesus shall reign where'er the sun <i>I. Watts</i>	4	4	5	5	5	5	28	•	•	•	•
<b>11</b>	1747	Love divine, all loves excelling <i>C. Wesley</i>	4	4	5	5	5	5	28	•	•	•	•
<b>12</b>	12TH C	O sacred Head, now wounded <i>Bernard of Clairvaux; tr Gerhardt 1656; tr J. W. Alexander 1860</i>	4	4	5	5	5	5	28	•	•	•	•
<b>13</b>	1707	When I survey the wondrous cross <i>I. Watts</i>	4	4	5	5	5	5	28	•	•	•	•

Average date of composition or publication of above texts (excluding #12): 1788

<b>14</b>	1529	A mighty fortress is our God <i>M. Luther; tr F. H. Hedge, 1852</i>	3	4	5	5	5	5	27	•	•	•	•
<b>15</b>	ca. 820	All glory, laud, and honor <i>Theodulph; tr J. M. Neale, 1854</i>	4	4	5	5	4	5	27	•	•	•	•
<b>16</b>	1757	Come, thou almighty King <i>anon and C. Wesley</i>	4	4	5	5	5	4	27	•	•	•	•
<b>17</b>	1836	Just as I am, without one plea <i>Charlotte Elliott</i>	4	4	5	5	5	4	27	•	•	•	•
<b>18</b>	1626	Now thank we all our God <i>M. Rinkart; tr Catherine Winkworth, 1858</i>	4	4	5	5	4	5	27	•	•	•	•
<b>19</b>	1738	O, for a thousand tongues to sing <i>C. Wesley</i>	3	4	5	5	5	5	27	•	•	•	•
<b>20</b>	1719	O God, our help in ages past <i>I. Watts</i>	4	4	4	5	5	5	27	•	•	•	•
<b>21</b>	1833	O, worship the King all glorious above <i>R. Grant</i>	4	4	5	4	5	5	27	•	•	•	•
<b>22</b>	1866	The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord <i>S. J. Stone</i>	4	4	5	5	4	5	27	•	•	•	•

Average date of composition or publication of above texts (excluding #15): 1739

<b>23</b>	1739	Christ the Lord is risen today! <i>C. Wesley</i>	4	4	5	4	5	4	26	•	•	•	•
<b>24</b>	12TH C	Jesus, the very thought of thee <i>Bernard of Clairvaux; tr E. Caswall, 1849</i>	4	4	5	4	5	4	26	•	•	•	•
<b>25</b>	1836	Saviour, like a shepherd lead us <i>attr Dorothy Thrupp in Thrupps Hymns</i>	4	4	4	5	5	4	26	•	•	•	•
<b>26</b>	ca. 750	The day of resurrection <i>John of Damascus; tr J. M. Neale, 1853</i>	4	3	5	4	5	5	26	•	•	•	•
<b>27</b>	1854	There's a wideness in God's mercy <i>F. W. Faber</i>	3	3	5	5	5	5	26	•	•	•	•

Average date of composition or publication of above texts (excluding #24 and #26): 1810