While morning still is breaking





While morning still is breaking and day replaces night, beneath God's care awaking we thank him for new light. We thank him that he calls us to life and health anew; whatever now befalls us his care will still be true.

O Israel's guardian, hear us, watch over us this day; in all we do be near us. For others, too, we pray; to you we would commend them, our church, our youth, our land; direct them and defend them when dangers are at hand.

O grant us peace and gladness, give us our daily bread, shield us from grief and sadness, on us your blessings shed.
Grant that our whole behaviour in truth and righteousness may praise you, Lord, our Saviour, whose holy name we bless.

You are our vine, O nourish your branches, so that we may grow in you and flourish and ever fruitful be; your Spirit pour within us, and let the gifts of grace to those good actions win us that best may show your praise.

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