

***THE PRECIOUS BLOOD***  
***FOUNDERS***  
***HYMN COLLECTION***

**Cantor/Unison/Congregation  
and  
Keyboard**

**Text and Music  
by  
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# THE PRECIOUS BLOOD FOUNDERS HYMN COLLECTION

The *Precious Blood Founders Hymn Collection* is a worship resource for member communities of the Precious Blood Leadership Conference, an affiliation of Roman Catholic religious communities dedicated to the spreading of the Christian Gospel and founded upon common devotion to Jesus Christ under the aspect of the shedding of his Most Precious Blood.

The hymns contained herein are not meant to replace already well established hymns to be found in the various member Precious Blood families. Rather, they are offered as an additional worship resource to better promote unity and awareness among those member families; to provide additional insight into the unique spiritual heritage to be found in each Precious Blood community as imparted by its founder; and to promote faith and devotion to Jesus Christ under the aspect of his Most Precious Blood.

In addition to *Glory Be to Jesus!*, a Precious Blood hymn addressed directly to Christ, and *Many the Voices*, a Precious Blood hymn containing a verse from each of the founders of the member communities, a new hymn to each founder and based on their own words and/or traditions is included. This will allow all to benefit from the unique spiritual insights imparted by each founder.

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# GLORY BE TO JESUS!

TRADITIONAL VERSION

UNISON AND KEYBOARD - SHORT EDITION

Vss. 1-2 + Ref.: Viva! Viva! Gesu: 18th Cent. Anon.  
 Tr. E. Caswall (d. 1878), alt. J. Henkel et al.; rev. RCV  
 Ref. 2: Nylas Moser, A.S.C.; alt. RCV et al.; rev. RCV

Original Music: Justin Henkel, C.P.P.S. (1916)  
 Keyboard arranged by  
 Ralph C. Verdi, C.P.P.S. (1998)

UNISON

①  $\text{♩} = 96$

*f*

1. Glo - ry be to Je - sus, who in bit - ter pains  
 2. Blest through end - less a - ges is that pre - cious stream,

⑤

1. poured for us that life - blood which love's sign re - mains.  
 2. which from sin and suf - f'ring does the world re - deem.

⑨

1. Grace and life e - ter - nal shed, in that blood we find.  
 2. A - bel's blood, un - just - ly shed, cried out to the skies;

⑬

1. Con - sum - mate com - pas - sion! In - fin - ite - ly kind!  
 2. but the blood of Je - sus God's love glo - ri - fies!

⑰

1. LIFT UP THEN YOUR VOI - CES! GREAT THAT MIGHT - Y FLOOD!  
 2. TELL THE TEN - DER MER - CIES! SING RE - DEMP - TION'S SONG!

⑳

1. LOUD - ER STILL AND LOUD - ER! PRAISE TO CHRIST WHO SHED PRE - CIOUS BLOOD!  
 2. CHRIST, THE LAMB EX - ALT - ED! CHRIST, THE GLO - RIOUS LAMB, WOR - THY, STRONG!

\*Last time only

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**GLORY BE TO JESUS!**

FOLK VERSION

UNISON, KEYBOARD, AND GUITAR - SHORT EDITION

Vss. 1-2 + Ref.: Viva! Viva! Gesu: 18th Cent. Anon.  
 Tr. E. Caswall (d. 1878), alt. J. Henkel et al.; rev. RCV  
 Ref. 2: Nylas Moser, A.S.C.; alt. RCV et al.; rev. RCV

Original Music: Justin Henkel, C.P.P.S. (1916)  
 Keyboard and Guitars arranged by  
 Ralph C. Verdi, C.P.P.S. (1998)

UNISON/  
 GUITAR

Capo 3: D GM6 Emin7 A7 D  
 F B $\flat$ M6 Gmin7 C7 F

Verses: 1. Glo - ry be to Je - sus, who in bit - ter pains  
 2. Blest through end - less a - ges is that pre - cious stream,

D F#min7 GM6 A D  
 F Amin7 B $\flat$ M6 C F

1. poured for us that life - blood which love's sign re - mains.  
 2. which from sin and suf - f'ring does the world re - deem.

Bmin7 F#7 Bmin7 GM6 F#  
 Dmin A7 Dmin B $\flat$ M6 A

1. Grace and life e - ter - nal shed, in that blood to we find.  
 2. A - bel's blood, un - just - ly shed, cried out to the skies;

D GM6 Emin7 A7 D  
 F B $\flat$ M6 Gmin7 C7 F

1. Con - sum - mate com - pas - sion! In - fin - ite - ly kind!  
 2. but the blood of Je - sus God's love glo - ri - fies!

D Bmin Emin7 A7  
 F Dmin Gmin7 C7

Refrain: 1. LIFT UP THEN YOUR VOI - CES! GREAT THAT MIGHT - Y FLOOD!  
 2. TELL THE TEN - DER MER - CIES! SING RE - DEMP - TION'S SONG!

D GM6 A7 F#min7 Bmin Emin7 A7 D  
 F B $\flat$ M6 C7 Amin7 Dmin Gmin7 C7 F

1. LOUD - ER STILL AND LOUD - ER! PRAISE TO CHRIST WHO SHED PRE - CIOUS BLOOD!  
 2. CHRIST, THE LAMB EX - ALT - ED! CHRIST, THE GLO - RIOUS LAMB, WOR - THY, STRONG!

PRECIOUS BLOOD FOUNDERS HYMN COLLECTION  
**MANY THE VOICES, YET ONE NAME - Revised**  
 Cantor/Unison/Congregation and Keyboard with Optional SA and TB Decants  
 and Instrumental Descant

Text: Refrain: RCV; Verse 1: based on Gaspar del Bufalo; 2: Maria de Mattias;  
 3: Maria Anna Brunner; 4: Theresa Weber; 5: Francis Pfanner

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WITH JOY ♩ = 120-130

Cantor/All

The musical score is written for a Cantor/All in 3/4 time, with a tempo of 120-130. It consists of seven staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a 3/4 time signature. The melody starts with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. The second staff continues with a quarter note D5, followed by a half note E5. The third staff has a quarter note F5, followed by a quarter note G5. The fourth staff has a quarter note A5, followed by a quarter note B5. The fifth staff has a quarter note C6, followed by a quarter note B5. The sixth staff has a quarter note A5, followed by a quarter note G5. The seventh staff has a quarter note F5, followed by a quarter note E5. The lyrics are: "Refrain: Man - y the voi - - - ces, yet one name! Man - y the pla - - - ces, yet one and the same: Where Je - sus calls us to heal and re - deem. Saved by the blood spent with love su - preme!"

*f*  
 Refrain: Man - y the voi - - - ces,  
 5 yet one name!  
 9 Man - y the pla - - - ces, yet one and the  
 14 same: Where Je - sus calls  
 19 us to heal and re - deem.  
 25 Saved by the blood spent with  
 29 love su - preme! \*Last time only

**VERSES (Cantor/Unison):**

1. O for a thousand tongues to praise the price poured out in Christ's blood!  
 We cannot, we must not, we will not be silent about the great love of our God! (*Refrain*)
2. Praise the Providence of our God that filled our needs in the past!  
 God still provides, and will provide for all that is yet to come! (*Refrain*)
3. Fill your hearts with the love of Christ! Shed blood's the sign of God's love!  
 Now fill your hands with gifts for God's poor: of such is the Kingdom of God! (*Refrain*)
4. Precious as the blood of Christ, so is each soul to our God  
 who fills our hearts with riches from Christ, and supplies for us all of our needs! (*Refrain*)
5. Flame of your zeal, let it soar for God who's honored by unbounded trust!  
 To love, and serve the One who loved us so much that he died for us all! (*Refrain*)

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# Loving Maria!

(Revised)

In Honor of St. Maria de Mattias  
Founder of the Sister Adorers of the Blood of Christ

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Very Relaxed ♩ = 106

Introduction

A  
L  
L



4

5



1. Lov-ing Ma-ri-a, please come to our aid! Help us be like you: so brave, not a - fraid!
2. Lov-ing Ma-ri-a, your faith nev-er failed. Your trust in Prov - i - dence al - ways pre-vailed!
3. Lov-ing Ma-ri-a, God's light in your day! Make us all lights of our God here to - day!

9



1. Help us to see! Help us to be pleas-ing to God with a love, kind and free!
2. So you be-lieved! So you did hope! Make our hearts fill with that same ho - ly hope!
3. Pray that we see! Pray that we be mak - ers of peace with those who dis - a - gree!

13



1. Lov-ing Ma-ri-a, so wise and so pure, help us to mend hearts in need of God's cure.
2. Lov-ing Ma-ri-a, so joy - ful, so sure, help us to mend hearts in need of God's cure.
3. Lov-ing Ma-ri-a, so joy - ful, so sure, help us to be hearts that aid in God's cure.

17



1. Help us to heal! Help us to save! Make us God's mes - sen-gers: hon-est and brave!
2. Help us to heal! Help us to save! Make us God's mes - sen-gers: hon-est and brave!
3. Help us to heal! Help us to save! Make us the means for God's love to en - dure!

\*Last time only

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# MARIA ANNA BRUNNER

*Foundress of the  
Congregation of the Sisters of the Precious Blood  
Dayton, Ohio*

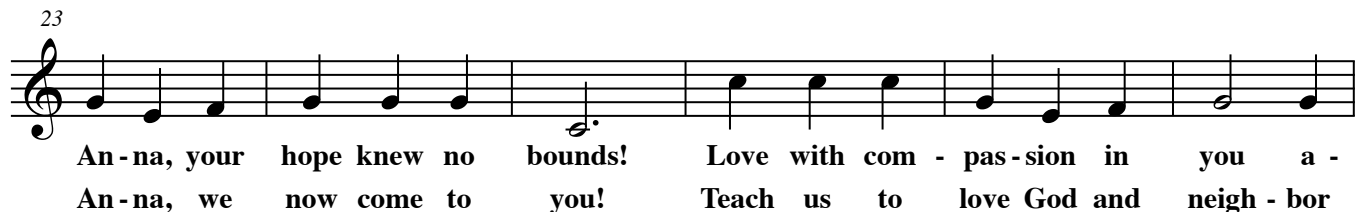
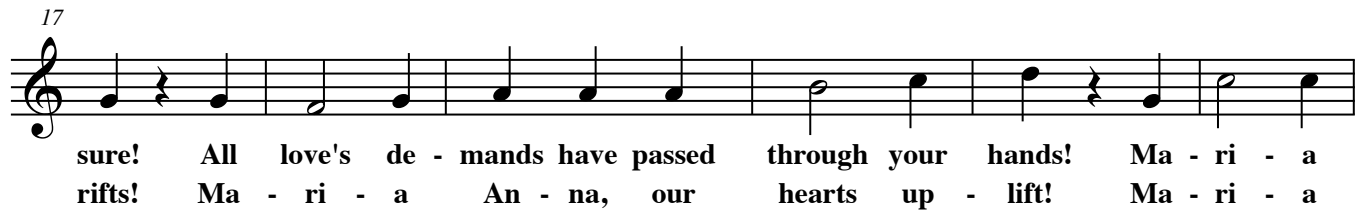
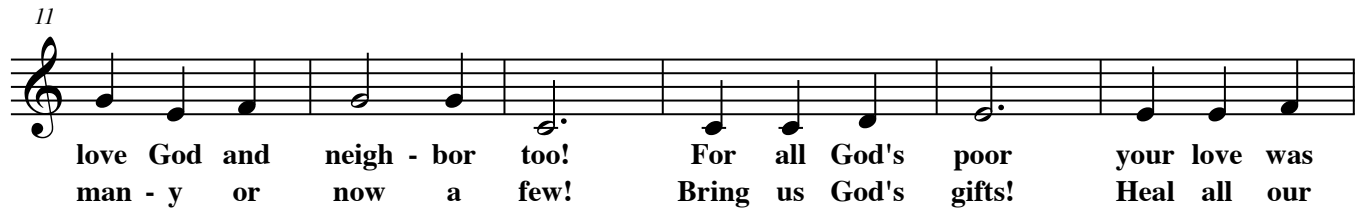
*One Hundred Seventy Fifth Anniversary*

Joyfully ♩ = 86 - 96  
Introduction

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1. Ma - ri - a An-na, we come to you! Teach us to  
2. Ma - ri - a An-na, we trust in you, whe - ther we're



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**SAINT GASPAR**

*In Honor of Saint Gaspar del Bufalo  
Founder of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood*

Congregation:

Congregation and Keyboard

Text and Music by Ralph C. Verdi, C.P.P.S.

LIVELY  $\text{♩} = 70 - 80$   $\frac{8}{8}$



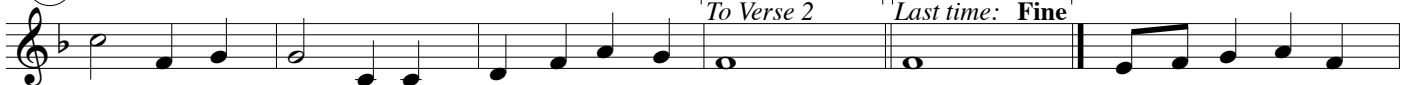
1. Saint Gas - par! Great preach - er! Pro - claim - er of God's Word! Brave wit - ness to

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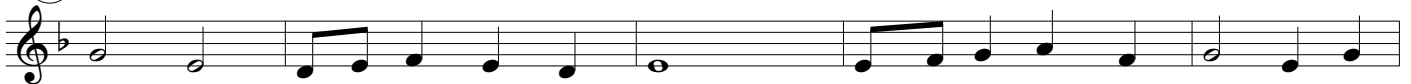
Je - sus who rec-on-ciled the world! Saint Gas-par! Great he - ro im - pris-oned for God's Word! Brave

14



soul and great mod - el, please pray to heal the world! world! 2. Mes-sen - ger of God's

20



mer - cy! Her - ald of God's great love! Work - er of God's com - pas - sion! A -

25



pos - tle of Pre - cious Blood! Wit - ness to God's great kind - ness! Har - bin - ger of God's hope!

31

D.S. al Fine



Bear - er of peace and jus - tice, please pray for our wound - ed world!



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# THERESA

*In Honor of Theresa Weber  
Founder of the Sisters of the Precious Blood  
O'Fallon, Missouri*

Text and Music by  
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Moderately  $\text{♩} = 82-88$   
Introduction

A  
L  
L

3

4

*f*

1. The - re - sa, lov - ing la - dy, God's own daugh - ter! \_\_\_\_\_  
2. The - re - sa, who put trust in God's sweet mer - cy! \_\_\_\_\_  
3. The - re - sa, as each per - son is so pre - cious, \_\_\_\_\_

8

— 1. The - re - sa, full of trust in God's great love! \_\_\_\_\_  
— 2. The - re - sa, for whom God filled ev' - ry need. \_\_\_\_\_  
— 3. As pre - cious as the Blood of Je - sus Christ! \_\_\_\_\_

12

— 1. The - re - sa, full of rich - es from heav - en, \_\_\_\_\_  
— 2. The - re - sa, who re - ceived gifts from heav - en, \_\_\_\_\_  
— 3. The - re - sa, pre - cious soul to our Sa - vior, \_\_\_\_\_

16

To vs. 2-3 Last Time

— 1. The - re - sa, bring those rich - es to all!  
— 2. The - re - sa, pray those gifts come to all!  
— 3. Please pray we be held pre - cious to all!

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# O Francis Pfanner!

Hymn for Congregation and Keyboard

In Honor of the Founder of the Missionary Sisters of the Precious Blood

(Revised)

Text based on the words of Francis Pfanner

Music by

Text Adaptation by RCV

Rev. Ralph C. Verdi, C.P.P.S.

Introduction:

Moderately (♩ = c. 92-100)

ALL 

VERSES: 1, 4. O Fran - cis Pfan - ner, \_\_\_\_\_ you once spoke  
 2. God's bound - less mer - cy \_\_\_\_\_ makes for all  
 3. Now try to do well \_\_\_\_\_ God's ho - ly

ALL 

1, 4. out: \_\_\_\_\_ If no one dares to go, \_\_\_\_\_ then I will go! \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. things, \_\_\_\_\_ but not with - out our help \_\_\_\_\_ and will to serve. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. will, \_\_\_\_\_ in all your work and pain, \_\_\_\_\_ in all you bear. \_\_\_\_\_

ALL 

\_\_\_\_\_ 1, 4. O Fran - cis Pfan - ner, \_\_\_\_\_ you told us once: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Each good and true grace, \_\_\_\_\_ and each good thought, \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 3. If God does not grant \_\_\_\_\_ what you have asked, \_\_\_\_\_

ALL 

\_\_\_\_\_ 1, 4. The flame of your true zeal, \_\_\_\_\_ just let it soar! \_\_\_\_\_ 4. soar! \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 2. each ho - ly hope of heart, \_\_\_\_\_ all comes from God!  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 3. it is be - cause he has \_\_\_\_\_ some thing more grand!

ALL 

CHORUS: Rec - ognize love, and serve the One who loves us so, he died for us

ALL 

all! Honored is God by unbound - ed trust. All need to know who loves them so!

## PRECIOUS BLOOD FOUNDERS HYMN COLLECTION

### SPIRITUAL PROFILES OF PRECIOUS BLOOD FOUNDERS HYMN COLLECTION HYMNS

#### **GLORY BE TO JESUS!**

- Verses 1-2: Prodigality of love and sacrificial suffering is exemplified in the shedding of Christ's Blood in God's plan of redemption. Redemption is expressed in terms of extremes of love, suffering, justice and compassion over the expanse of time and eternity.
- Verses 3-6: Restoration, salvation, thanksgiving, praise, reconciliation, and the festive march of the saved are the results of God's plan of salvation in action.

#### **MANY THE VOICES, YET ONE NAME**

- Refrain: Emphasizes unity and universality of God's salvation.
- Verse 1: Call to apostolic action based on the Word and message of God's love for all.
- Verse 2: Pleromic Providence: the providence of God includes the needs of everyone everywhere.
- Verse 3: Charity: Christ's Blood is the great sign of love outpoured which leads to love of God and neighbor in deeds of love.
- Verse 4: The exalted dignity and value of the person: Christ's Blood outpoured reveals the great value of each person as a reflection of God. Each person's value is thus beyond estimation.
- Verse 5: Zeal: Christ's death undergone out of love inspires courage in the service of God and neighbor.

#### **LOVING MARIA!**

- Verse 1: The witness of a life lived close to God helps us to see spiritually and be pleasing both to God and to humanity.
- Verse 2: Faith and trust in God lead to joy and the healing of troubled hearts.
- Verse 3: Godly example of life helps heal strife and estrangements.

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SPIRITUAL PROFILES OF PRECIOUS BLOOD FOUNDERS HYMN COLLECTION HYMNS

(continued)

**MARIA ANNA BRUNNER**

Verse 1: Love of God and neighbor, especially the poor and disadvantaged, inspires compassion and the prayer of intercession in and for all.

Verse 2: Compassion heals relationships and helps love to endure.

**SAINT GASPAR**

Verse 1: Preaching of and Witness to God's Word inspires bravery in the face of opposition and leads to reconciliation with those who are estranged.

Verse 2: Preaching of God's Word leads to hope, healing, justice and peace.

**THERESA**

Verse 1: Faith in God leads to blessings for others.

Verse 2: Trust in God leads to fulfillment of needs and intercession for others.

Verse 3: The personal dignity and preciousness of each person is indicated by the price of Christ's Precious Blood outpoured.

**O FRANCIS PFANNER!**

Refrain: Recognition of God's love leads to service and honor of God, and trust in God.

Verses 1&4: Love leads to courage and bravery in the service of God.

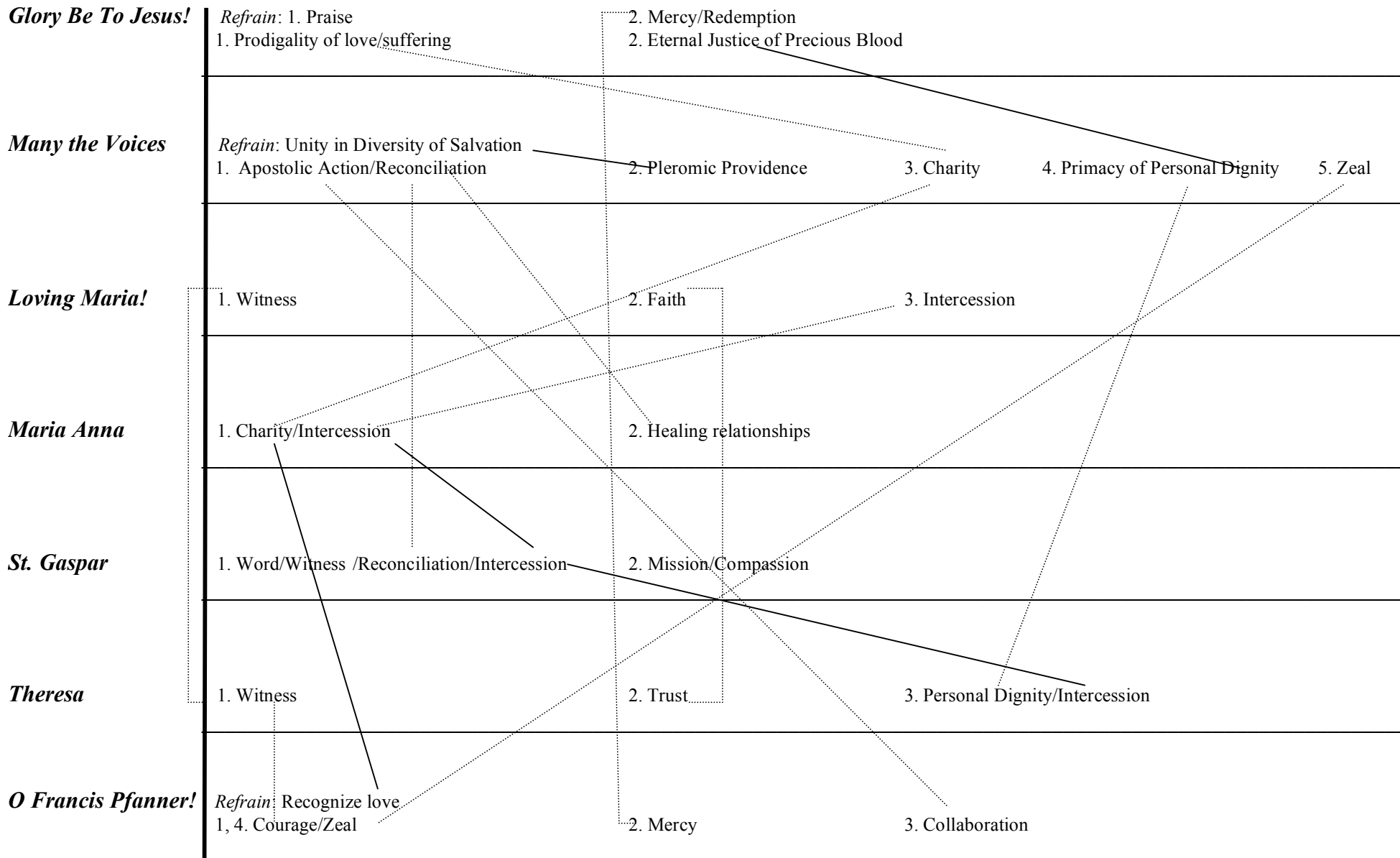
Verse 2: The mercy of God embraces and includes our work and cooperation.

Verse 3: Collaboration and suffering in the work of God leads to unexpected greater outcomes by God's design.

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COMPARISON CHART OF PRECIOUS BLOOD FOUNDERS HYMN COLLECTION TEXTS

(Numbers refer to verses of the hymn)



## PRECIOUS BLOOD FOUNDERS HYMN COLLECTION

### IMPLICATIONS FOR A DEVOTIONAL THEOLOGY OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD IN PRECIOUS BLOOD FOUNDERS HYMNS

#### 1. COMMON CONNECTIONS AND INTER-COMMUNITY IDENTITY

Hymn texts reveal common foundational points of spiritual identity among the families of the PB (see chart). These common foundational points could help to motivate more focused reflection on identity and faith practice (praxis) among PB families in advancing the Kingdom of Christ.

#### 2. COLLABORATION IN APOSTOLATES

Further reflection on hymn texts could enliven the distinctiveness of the Founders' charisms and help foster specific action in common apostolates on the individual, corporate, and inter-community levels.

#### 3. COMMON DEVOTIONS

These hymns add to (not replace) previous hymns, and can help on days of regular, common congregational, and inter-congregational occasions and publications.

#### 4. VOCATIONAL EFFORTS

Hymn texts might provide a motivation for the generation of common/specific vocational art and literature based on the various themes/motifs.

#### 5. CONFERENCES ON PRECIOUS BLOOD SPIRITUALITY IN THE ARTS

These conferences would *focus primarily on theology in action* ---artistic and creative works and rituals---*art, music, poetry, sculpture, drama and theatre*, and not duplicate or compete with PB Convocations on reflective theology.

### INFORMATION

If you are interested in acquiring *The Precious Blood Founders Hymn Collection*, or the Convocation theme song, *Who Will Speak the Word?*, please go to:

[www.preciousbloodspirituality.org](http://www.preciousbloodspirituality.org)

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