

### ... A new concept in hymnals

Today, it seems that worship resources are being designed for smaller and smaller niches: one particular type of music, theological perspective, or target group.

*Lutheran Harmony* has a different agenda. It's motivated by a belief that it is possible to be both orthodox *and* relevant, to be engaging *and* faithful, to be inclusive with out being negative. Not only is this possible, it is our urgent task.

*Lutheran Harmony* pursues that goal through **quality content** and a **loose-leaf format** that allows you to add your wisdom.

### ... Quality above category

It begins with hymns: a carefully chosen, diverse set of beautiful hymns - not selected by category, but for singability and substance. *Lutheran Harmony* has older hymns, newer hymns and alternative tunes for LBW hymns.

The initial release includes 40 hymns - not as many as the traditional "big book" but there's no dead weight here, you can use all of these hymns in your parish. Future releases will expand the book.

*"I really appreciate John's eye and ear in selecting music - I trust his selections ... when you are inundated with a wealth of possibilities, its good to have someone do some sorting through for you."* -- Rev. Karen Bockelman, Assistant to the Bishop, Northeastern Minnesota Synod, & Chair, ELCA task force on Sacramental Practices

*"Fantastic: the music is appealing to a wide variety of folks."* Rev. Bev Short, pastor, Zion Lutheran, La Porte City, Iowa

*"Mr. Nordin has taken the time and interest to ask important questions of the user, choosing hymns old and new that best express the singer's heart, match the singer's ability, and shape the singer's theology. The integrity of Lutheran hymnody is celebrated in Lutheran Harmony."* Katie Adelman, music director, Resurrection Lutheran, Plano, Texas & Director of Professional Concerns, Association of Lutheran Church Musicians

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### ... Working together with you

Finding worship resources is a careful, time-consuming process. You find one hymn, you select one liturgy. No one resource, or one publisher, can have it all. Because *Lutheran Harmony* is in a sturdy, loose-leaf binder, you can add resources as you need, either permanently or for seasonal use. A page numbering system facilitates this process.

*"We need flexibility to respond to the needs of blended worship and Lutheran Harmony represents the perfect resource to allow a congregation to use its own music and have maximum flexibility."*

-- Rev. Kevin Murphy, pastor Christ Lutheran, Aptos, California, & noted speaker for youth events

### ... Helpful features

- v Larger, readable lyrics and music.
- v Full accompaniments included for all hymns.
- v Guitar chords placed on the melody line for 24 hymns.
- v Durable, heavy 6x9 paper.
- v Extensive indexing by Biblical text, season of church year, topic, images, doctrines, liturgical uses. This indexing - more than most hymnals - aids the worship leader in choosing the right hymn. Notes to the musician help in presenting each hymn at its best.

*"John Nordin has compiled a wide variety of singable hymns in Lutheran Harmony that has something for everyone. ... The print is very clean and readable, and the notes to musicians in the indexes are a useful aid as well."* - Anne Hoekstra, organist, St. John's American Lutheran, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

### ... A great value

What is good worship worth? *Lutheran Harmony*, available at \$6.50 a copy plus shipping and handling, is a great value. Please consider it.

*"Lutheran Harmony provides hymns that are singable, a format which is flexible and texts which maintain theological integrity for Lutheran worship."* -- Bishop Steven Ullestad, Northeastern Iowa Synod

### ... Learn more on the web

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## ... **Need assistance with worship?**

Is your parish considering . . .

- ✓ a **new worship service**
- ✓ **revising** existing forms of worship
- ✓ a **strategy** for Sunday morning
- ✓ developing a **parish hymnal**
- ✓ **education** on worship issues
- ✓ **contemporary** vs. **traditional** worship
- ✓ how to **sing** better
- ✓ finding **new hymns** to learn
- ✓ involving **children** in worship
- ✓ how to **find** a particular hymn
- ✓ dealing with the **copyright** maze

I can help with these situations, please call to discuss consulting and teaching possibilities.

My background

- ✓ second career parish pastor
- ✓ first career in the computer industry
- ✓ written on worship for national magazines
- ✓ workshop presenter

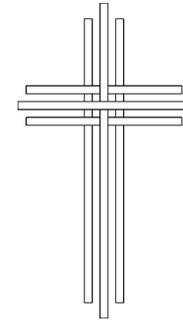
Skills & abilities

- ✓ Music publishing on personal computers
- ✓ Web site design
- ✓ Developer of hymn database
- ✓ Knowledge of a wide variety of worship issues and resources

My perspective:

- ✓ A renewed vision of what worship is intended to be will allow us to move beyond the false alternatives that paralyze our thinking and depress our worship.

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## *Lutheran Harmony*

A hymnal with the  
**content** and **format**

to enhance the  
**singing** and the **worship**

of the gathered assembly.