

From Wisdom Emerging

(Non-Theistic Version)

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Congregational Hymn

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Music

Welsh Hymn Tune

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This version of *From Wisdom Emerging* provides a “non-theistic” text for open communities. Capitalized words representing Divinity in the original version (Wisdom, Love, Spirit) have been placed in lower case or removed so that persons of both faith and freethought can “converge” in peace and love. The word “faith” is maintained in stanza two in an effort to reframe its meaning, recognizing that many ideals in life that bring goodness can be worthy of faith.

From wisdom emerging,
we fashion a space
for people converging
in safety and grace,
to shelter the freedom
of one and of all
in love without border
or boundary or wall.

Forever exploring,
we seek to learn more
of wisdom’s outpouring,
of love’s open door.
Amazed at the mysteries
and graces we find,
we joyfully share them
with all humankind.

Faith’s journey reclaiming,
we blaze a new trail
with others, exclaiming:
“Let justice prevail!”
Rejecting worn paths that
oppress and mislead,
we walk in community,
cherished and freed!

The future progressing,
we move through its change,
old systems redressing,
new patterns arrange;
protecting all freedoms
with every new choice,
we follow our conscience
and raise our clear voice!

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 we fol - low our con - science and raise our clear voice!

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