

1. My life is but a passing hour
that flies away:
though now, at least, to love you, Lord,
I have today.

2. Lord, for tomorrow's darkest cares
I cannot pray;
but keep me pure and in your care
just for today.

3. I will be weak in future trials
that come my way;
yet I am ready for the test
at least today.

4. Steersman divine, your hand will guide,
if I obey:
so keep me safe through stormy waves
only today.

5. O Living Bread, O Mystery,
the prayer I say
is that you come into my heart,
if just today.

6. When I am joined to you, the Vine,
I hope I may
bear golden fruit to offer you,
Lord, from today.

7. Mary, who gave your Son to us,
with you I'll stay,
finding repose beneath your veil,
Mother, today.

8. Lord, to you, hidden from my sight,
homage I pay;
but let your loving face be glimpsed
by me today.

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