



HYMN PREVIEW

By Faith

Note to Worship Planners for August 7:

800, “How Firm a Foundation” - Multiple alternate settings for both organ and piano are available in *CW: Accompaniment for Hymns*. Some keyboard players might require more than a week’s planning to learn them.

828, “Where Your Treasure Is” - This was in CWS and might be familiar.

868, “By Faith” - This is a popular new hymn from Getty Music. Settings for both organ and piano are available in *Accompaniment for Hymns*. The organ setting is solo’d to allow the melody to stand out and better lead the congregation. But if the hymn is not yet familiar, have a soloist sing verses 1 & 2 or 1 & 3.

Here’s an idea for the final piece of preservice music. Either two minutes before the service begins (if length is a concern) or right at the beginning the pastor says:

Before we begin worship today, I call your attention to a new hymn: #868. Please turn to that hymn [*on page ## of the worship folder*]. Each verse begins “By faith” and thus echoes the second reading for today from the book of Hebrews [*which is the basis for today’s sermon*]. For our final preservice music now—and to help you to become familiar with the tune of hymn 868—we hear music based on this new hymn.

Alternatively, comments such as these can appear in the worship folder. The pastor then simply calls attention to them before the music plays.

Search NPH’s website using “cw21keyboard” or “cw21choral” to find keyboard and choral music based on new tunes: online.nph.net. The following volumes have service music settings of “By Faith”:

online.nph.net/piano-the-essential-collection-of-contemporary-piano-settings-larson.html

online.nph.net/modern-praise.html

online.nph.net/creation-sings.html

online.nph.net/getty-and-townend-praise-classics.html

online.nph.net/piano-i-rejoice-in-my-redeemer.html (WELS composer and pianist Zach Unke)

“By Faith”, sung by the high school honor choir, was the title track of a double CD of highlights from the 2014 WELS national worship conference. This and other CDs are available, some at deep discount, from NPH: online.nph.net/music-video/cds/wels-worship-conference.

Note to Worship Planners for August 14:

Newly released in May this year is a vocal/choral setting: online.nph.net/o-god-be-gracious-moeller.html. This is a setting of Psalm 4C from the new psalter. Psalm 4 fits the themes on August 14. The congregation may join in on some stanzas. Not for children only! A few adult vocalists could also sing this.