



Reflections by the Lake
Devotions for an Unordinary Time

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Alleluia
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This week's Hymn for Today, Hope for Tomorrow focuses on the word "Alleluia" and reminds us that in times of unrest, brokenness, failure and loss, we are still loved by God who stands beside us in the disaster. For his faithfulness through our tears and shattered dreams, we sing "Alleluia!"

Click on the following link to learn more:
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1xw9Za0X1btHSOImzk8eb2vDBAoTuOhjc/view>

There Is an Alleluia
John T. Hicks

*There is an Alleluia still waiting to be heard,
to voice in desp'rate moment, an echo of God's Word
of comfort and of healing, of peace and promise, too;
of justice joined with mercy, of faith once more renewed.*

*No Easter Alleluia with trumpets and loud hymns
of resurrection glory expressed in praiseful din.
It comes, just barely spoken, when faith must look within
at life's deep, painful journey; at love grown strangely thin.*

*This quiet Alleluia is full of depth and awe;
a blessing to the Lord when life is cold and raw;
sometimes expressing anger, sometimes our honest fear,
profound and full of conflict, a prayer just God will hear.*

*We pray this Alleluia when other prayers depart.
It goes from us in blessing straight to God's loving heart.
So bless the Lord, my soul, in whispered, holy word,
a sacred Alleluia still waiting to be heard.*