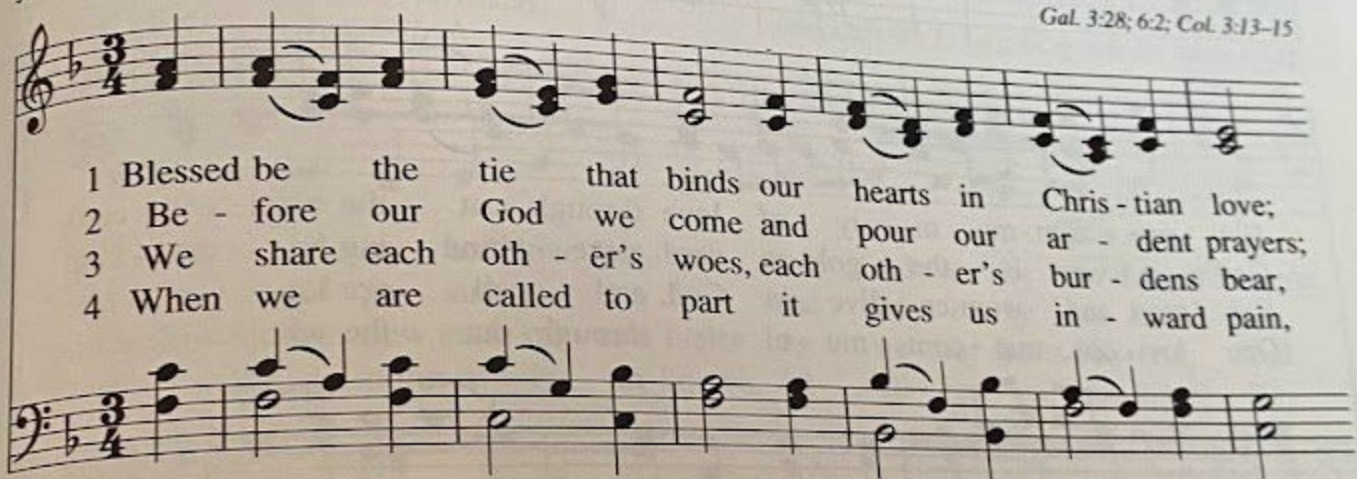


Blessed Be the Tie That Binds

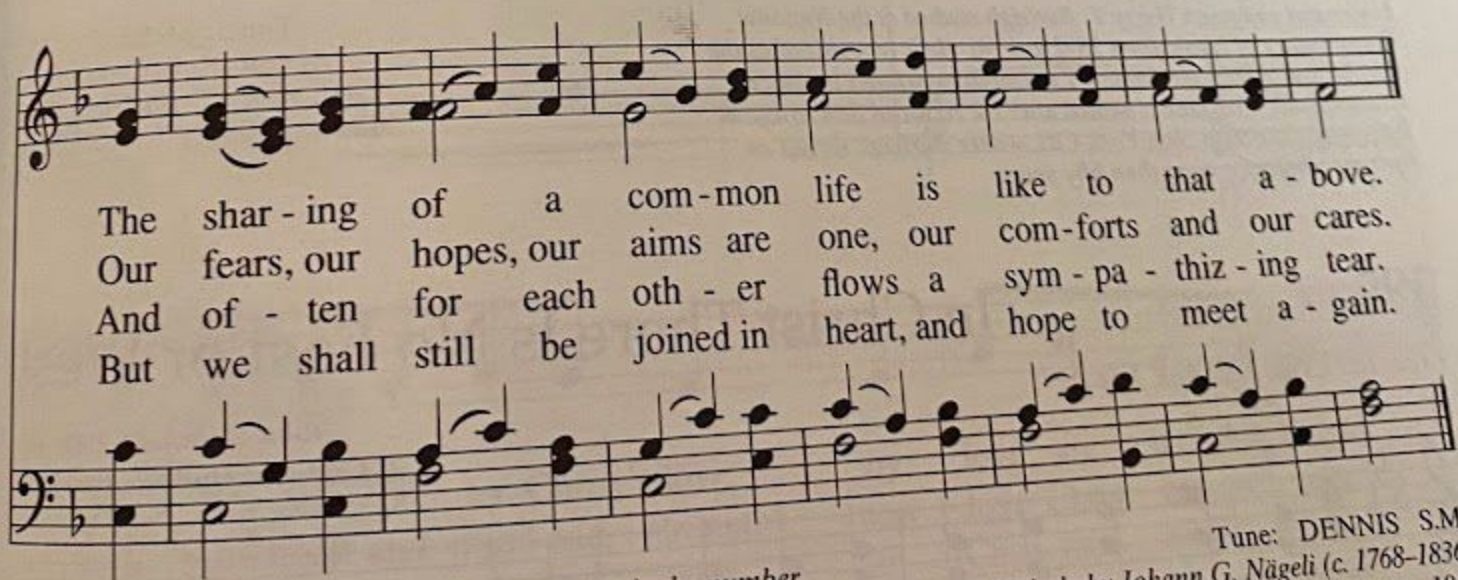
John Fawcett, 1782; alt.

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Gal. 3:28; 6:2; Col. 3:13-15



1 Blessed be the tie that binds our hearts in Chris-tian love;
2 Be-fore our God we come and pour our ar-dent prayers;
3 We share each oth-er's woes, each oth-er's bur-dens bear,
4 When we are called to part it gives us in-ward pain,



The shar-ing of a com-mon life is like to that a-bove.
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our com-forts and our cares.
And of-ten for each oth-er flows a sym-pa-thiz-ing tear.
But we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet a-gain.

An English Baptist minister, John Fawcett published a number of poetic works. His entire ministry was spent at a church near Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire, where he wrote most of his hymns to follow his sermons.

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