Come and See the Many Wonders

Celebrating the Parish's Heritage

Come and see the many wonders
God has worked through many hands.
Come and count the many blessings,
woven from so many strands.
We have seen the face of Jesus
who has dwelt among us here,
Christ the source of all our blessings,
blessings growing year by year.

Come and name the men and women
called by Christ and by him sent.
They proclaimed the Kingdom's coming
in his Word and Sacrament.
Sing of founders and of builders,
pastors, teachers, servants all
who by lives of faithful service
have fulfilled their Savior's call.

Go and live as Christ's disciples.
Go and be his face and hands.
And proclaim by word and action
that God's love is Christ's command.
Raise a song of glad thanksgiving.
Let it ring that all may hear,
for the Father, Son and Spirit
have so blessed us through these years.

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Lines which recognize local people or events may be substituted in this particular hymn. There are also
suggestions for including the specific number of years.

GIA published three verses of this text in Worship IV (vss 1, 2, 4) which may well be enough for most purposes.

Original Tune: BEACH SPRING, 87.87.D, Sacred Harp, 1844. Other tunes may be used.
Come and see the many wonders God has worked through many hands.
Come and count the many blessings, woven sent.
They proclaimed the Kingdom's coming in his hands, And proclaim by word and action that God's
from so many strands. We have seen the face of Word and Sacrament. Sing of founders and of love is Christ's command. Raise a song of glad thanks-
Jesus who has dwelt among us here, Christ the builders, pastors, teachers, servants all who by giving. Let it ring that all may hear. For the source of all our blessings, blessings of so many years.*
lives of faithful service have fulfilled their Savior's call.
Father Son and Spirit have so blessed us through these years.

* Those celebrating anniversaries may replace this line with "blessings through these twenty/fifty/hundred/many years."
For twenty-five use: "through these five and twenty years." Also for seventy-five years: "Through these seventy-five years."
New parishes might use "these early years" or "these first five years" or "these first ten years."