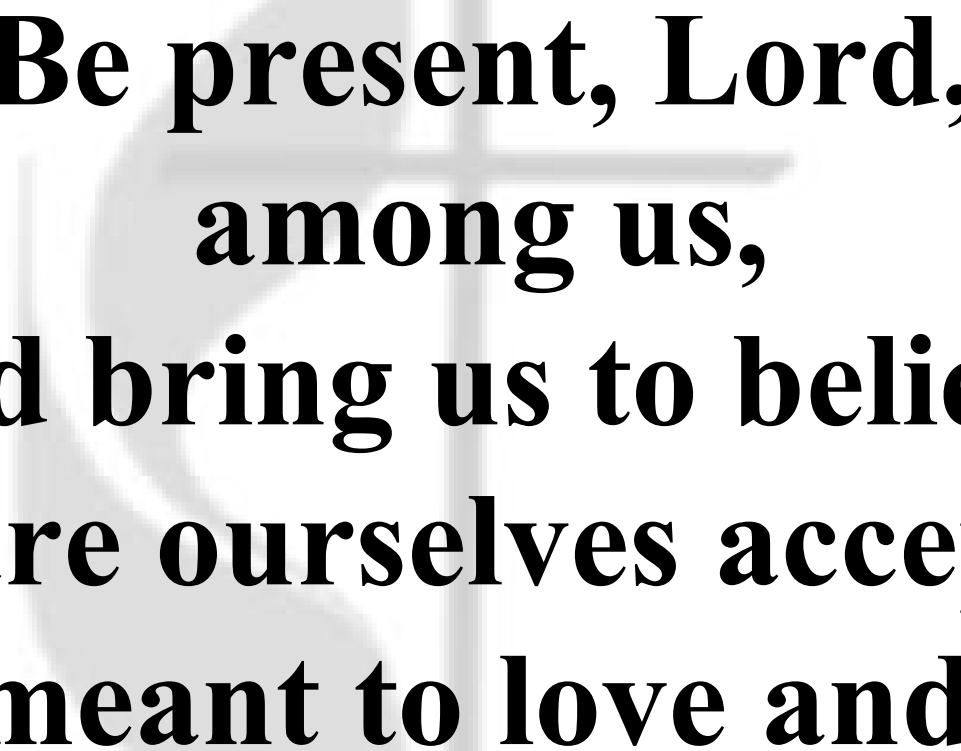


Help Us Accept Each Other

WORDS: Fred Kaan, 1974 (Jn. 15:12)

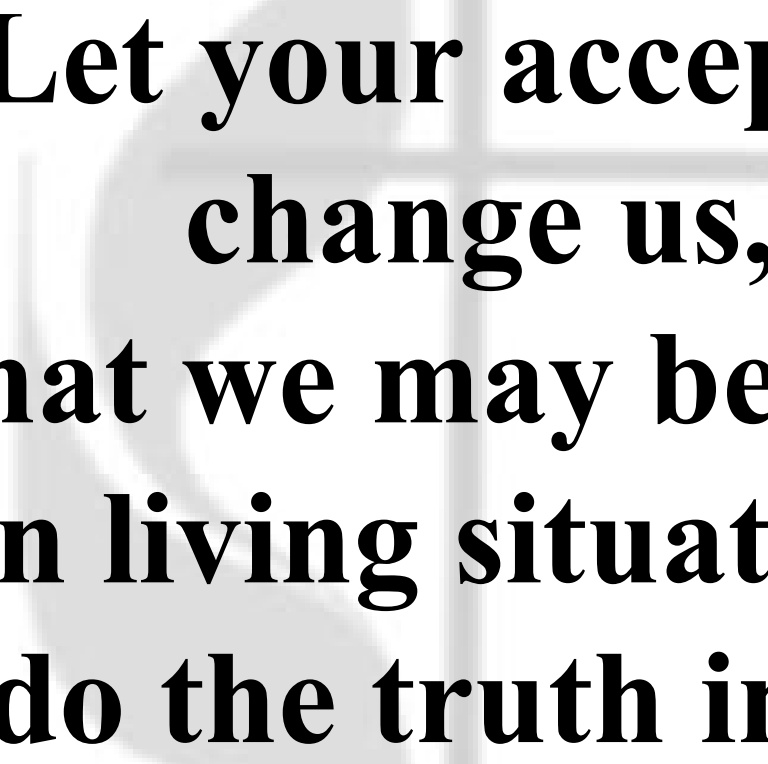
**1. Help us accept each other
as Christ accepted us;
teach us as sister, brother,
each person to embrace.**



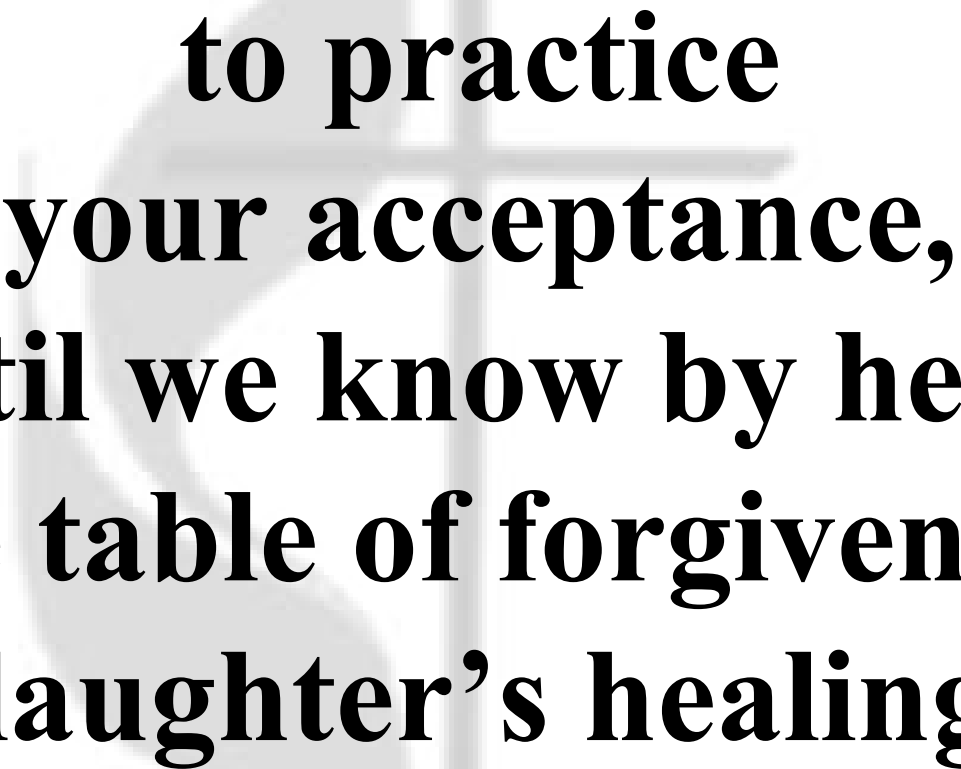
**Be present, Lord,
among us,
and bring us to believe
we are ourselves accepted
and meant to love and live.**

**2. Teach us, O Lord,
your lessons,
as in our daily life
we struggle to be human
and search for
hope and faith.**

**Teach us to
care for people,
for all, not just for some,
to love them as
we find them,
or as they may become.**




**3. Let your acceptance
change us,
so that we may be moved
in living situations
to do the truth in love;**



**to practice
your acceptance,
until we know by heart
the table of forgiveness
and laughter's healing art.**

**4. Lord, for
today's encounters
with all who are in need,
who hunger
for acceptance,
for righteousness and bread.**



**we need new
eyes for seeing,
new hands for holding on;
renew us with your Spirit;
Lord, free us,
make us one!**