Teach Us a Worksong

Lord of All Labor,

Many are the tasks we are called to in this world:
   Building your kingdom,
   Uplifting your people,
   Healing the broken places.
Teach us a worksong.

Send us where we are needed
And set us beside our sisters and brothers
In desert places or crowded cities.
And, when our bones tire,
Or our hearts flag,
Teach us to sing all the louder,
Lifting each other in body and spirit.
Teach us a worksong.

Teach our varied voices a way to find harmony,
Our languages blending together,
Singing a song of hope and humor,
Of solace and salvation,
Joining together in your transcendent refrain.
Teach us a worksong.

And when our task is finished,
Let our song continue,
Becoming a song of joy and praise,
That we will forever sing in your presence.

We set to work now, Lord.
Teach us a worksong.

Amen