The Church's One Foundation

1 The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord; she is his new creation, by water and the earth, her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one pressed, by schisms rent a sun-der, by heresies dis-pressed: yet saints their watch are keep-ing, their cry goes up; "How
2 Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the world: from heaven he came and sought her to be his holy birth; one holy name she blesses, par-takes one holy tressed: yet saints their watch are keep-ing, their cry goes up; "How
3 Though with a scornful wonder we see her sore op-pressed; by war, she waits the consum-mation of peace for every-One, and mystic sweet communion With those whose rest is won: O hap-py ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that
4 'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her word: from heaven he came and sought her to be his holy birth; one holy name she blesses, par-takes one holy tressed; yet saints their watch are keep-ing, their cry goes up; "How
5 Yet she on earth hath union with God, the Three in bride; with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

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