

**The Church's One Foundation**

**TiS 457. Tune: Aurelia.**

1. The Church's one foundation  
is Jesus Christ her Lord:  
she is his new creation  
by water and the word;  
from heaven he came and sought her  
to be his holy bride;  
with his own blood he bought her,  
and for her life he died.
2. Elect from every nation  
yet one o'er all the earth,  
her charter of salvation  
one Lord, one faith, one birth:  
one holy name she blesses,  
partakes one holy food,  
and to one hope she presses  
with every grace endued.
3. Though with a scornful wonder  
the world sees her oppressed,  
by schisms rent asunder,  
by heresies distressed,  
yet saints their watch are keeping  
their cry goes up, 'how long?'  
and soon the night of weeping  
shall be the morn of song.
4. Through toil and tribulation  
and tumult of her war  
she waits the consummation  
of peace for evermore,  
till with the vision glorious  
her longing eyes are blessed,  
and the great church victorious  
shall be the church at rest.
5. Yet she on earth has union  
with God the Three in One,  
and mystic sweet communion  
with those whose rest is won.  
O happy ones and holy!  
Lord, give to us the grace  
like them, the meek and lowly,  
in heaven to seek your face.

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**Praise the Lord, you heavens adore him**

**TiS 93. Tune: Austria**

1. Praise the Lord, you heavens adore him;  
praise him angels in the height;  
sun and moon, rejoice before him,  
praise him, all you stars of light.  
Praise the Lord, for he has spoken,  
worlds his mighty voice obeyed;  
laws, that never shall be broken,  
for their guidance he has made.
2. Praise the Lord, for he is glorious;  
never shall his promise fail:  
God has made his saints victorious:  
sin and death shall not prevail.  
Praise the God of our salvation;  
hosts on high his power proclaim:  
heaven and earth, and all creation,  
praise and glorify his name.

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## For all the saints

### TiS 455 Tune: Sine Nomine

1. For all the saints  
who from their labours rest,  
who to the world  
their Lord by faith confessed,  
your name O Jesus,  
be forever blest.  
Alleluia, alleluia!
2. O blest communion,  
fellowship divine!  
We feebly struggle,  
they in glory shine,  
all yours, all joined  
in unity divine.  
Alleluia, alleluia!
3. And when the strife is fierce,  
the warfare long,  
steals on the ear  
the distant triumph song,  
and hearts are brave again,  
and arms are strong.  
Alleluia, alleluia!
4. But see, there breaks  
a yet more glorious day;  
the saints triumphant  
rise in bright array;  
the King of Glory  
passes on his way  
Alleluia, alleluia!
5. From earth's wide bounds  
and ocean's farthest shore  
through heaven's gate  
the holy people pour;  
the Three-in-One  
for ever they adore.  
Alleluia, alleluia!

William Walsham How 1823-97 *alt.*

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## What feast of love.

### Unknown. Tune: Greensleeves.

1. What feast of love is offered here,  
what banquet come from heaven?  
What food of everlasting life,  
what gracious gift is given?  
This, this is Christ the King,  
the bread come down from heaven.  
Oh, taste and see and sing!  
How sweet the manna given!

2. What light of truth is offered here,  
what covenant from heaven?  
What hope of everlasting life,  
what wondrous word is given?  
This, this is Christ the King,  
the sun come down from heaven.  
Oh, see and hear and sing!  
The Word of God is given.

3. What wine of love is offered here,  
what crimson drink from heaven?  
What stream of everlasting life,  
what precious blood is given?  
This, this is Christ the King,  
the sweetest wine of heaven.  
Oh, taste and see and sing!  
The Son of God is given!

*Delores Dufner b1939*

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## God is Love let heaven adore Him

### TiS 153 Tune: Abbott's Leigh

1. God is love, let heaven adore Him;  
God is love, let earth rejoice;  
let creation sing before Him,  
and exalt Him with one voice.  
God, who laid the earth's foundation,  
he who spread the heavens above,  
and who breathes through all creation,  
God is love, eternal Love.
2. God is love, and gently enfolding  
all the world in one embrace,  
with unfailing grasp is holding  
every child of every race.  
And when human hearts are breaking  
under sorrow's iron rod,  
then they find that self-same aching  
deep within the heart of God.
3. God is love, and though with blindness  
sin afflicts our human hearts,  
God's eternal loving-kindness  
holding, guiding, grace imparts.  
Sin and death and hell shall never  
o'er us final triumph gain;  
God is love, so love for ever  
o'er the universe must reign.

*Timothy Rees 1874-1939*

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