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## As we are gathered

As we are gathered, Jesus Is here.
One with each other, Jesus is here.
Joined by the Spirit, washed in the blood, part of the body, the church of God.
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## Lord speak to me that I may speak

Lord, speak to me, that I may speak In living echoes of your tone; as you have sought, so let me seek your erring children lost and lone.

O lead me, Lord, that I may lead the wandering and the wavering feet; O feed me, Lord, that I may feed your hungering ones with manna sweet.

O strengthen me, that while I stand firm on the rock, secure, and free, I may stretch out a loving hand to wrestlers with the troubled sea.

O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the precious things which you impart; and wing my words, that they may reach the hidden depths of many a heart.

O fill me with your fulness, Lord, until my very heart o'erflow in kindling thought and glowing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.

O use me, Lord, use even me, just as you will, and when, and where, until at last your face I see, your rest, your joy, your glory share!

# 'I have a dream' a man once said

'I have a dream', a man once said, 'where all is perfect peace; where men and women, black and white, stand hand in hand, and all unite in freedom and in love.'

But in this world of bitter strife the dream can often fade; reality seems dark as night, we catch but glimpses of the light Christ sheds on humankind. Christ sheds on humankind. Fierce persecution, war, and hate are raging everywhere; God calls us now to pay the price through struggles and through sacrifice of standing for the right.

Of standing for the right.

So dream the dreams and sing the songs, but never be content; for thoughts and words don't ease the pain: unless there's action, all is vain; faith proves itself in deeds.

Faith proves itself in deeds.

Lord, give us vision, make us strong, help us to do your will; don't let us rest until we see your love throughout humanity uniting us in peace.
Uniting us in peace.

## Here and now were bound together

Here and now we're bound together: held in one divine embrace.
Help us see, in one another, difference as a gift of grace.
As each passing generation worships you in fresh new ways, join our songs with all creation, lift our voice to sing your praise.

Lord, affirm our shared vocation: may we bring your plans to birth, build your church on sure foundations, fit to serve a troubled earth.

Growing, praying, sharing, learning, deep in wisdom, broad in scope, love-revealing, truth-discerning, living out the gospel hope.

In your work of transformation you are making all things new. Stir our hearts' imagination, call us now to work with you. Send us out to share your mission; show us each our part to play. as we live the Great Commission, joyful in your world today.

### Take my life and let it be

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, glad and free; take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of your love; take my feet that I may run hearing new of Christ your son.

Take my voice, and let me sing, always, only, for my King; take my intellect and use every power as you shall choose.

Take my will, your will be done make my will and yours be one; take my heart; it is your own, it shall be your royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at your feet its treasure-store, take myself, and I will be all for you, eternally.

#### O God you search me and you know me

O God, you search me and you know me.
All my thoughts lie open to your gaze.
When I walk or lie down, you are before me,
ever the maker and keeper of my days.

You know my resting and my rising. You discern my purpose from afar, and with love everlasting you besiege me: in every moment of life or death, you are.

Before a word is on my tongue, Lord, you have known its meaning through and through. You are with me beyond my understanding:
God of my present, my past and future too.

Although your Spirit is upon me, still I search for shelter from your light.

There is nowhere on earth I can escape you: even the darkness is radiant in your sight.

For you created me and shaped me, gave me life within my mother's womb.
For the wonder of 'who I am, I praise you:
Safe in your hands, all creation is made new.
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## Fight the good fight

Fight the good fight with all your might Christ is your strength, and Christ your right; lay hold on life, and it shall be your joy and crown eternally

Run the straight race through God's good grace. lift up your yes, and seek his face; life with its path before us lies Christ is the way, and Christ the prize.

Cast care aside, lean on your Guide; his boundless mercy will provide.

Trust, and thy trusting soul shall prove Christ is its life, and Christ its love.

Faint not, nor fear; his arm is near; he does not change, and you are dear only believe, and Christ shall be your all in all eternally.

## The church is wherever God's people are praising

The Church is wherever God's people are praising, knowing they're wanted and loved by their Lord. The Church is wherever Christ's followers are trying to live out and to share out the good news of God.

The Church is wherever God's people are loving, where all are forgiven and start once again, where all are accepted, whatever their background, whatever their past and whatever their pain.

The Church is wherever God's people are seeking to reach out and touch folk wherever they are - conveying the Gospel, its joy and its comfort, to challenge, refresh, and excite and inspire.

The Church is wherever God's people are praising, knowing we're wanted and loved by our Lord. The Church is where we as Christ's followers are trying to live and to share out the good news of God.