1. Soul, adorn yourself with gladness; Leave behind all gloom and sadness. Come into the daylight's splendor; there with joy your praises render Unto Him whose grace unbounded Has this wondrous wide the gates before him, Saying, as you

2. Hasten as a bride to meet him, And with loving reverence greet him, For with words of life immortal pain will measure, But the priceless gifts of heaven deep and holy, As with trembling awe and wonder

3. He who craves a precious treasure Neither cost nor

4. Now I kneel before you lowly, Filled with joy most There with joy your praises render

He is knocking at your portals. Open God to us has freely given. Though the On your mighty work I ponder, How by

him whose grace unbounded Has this wondrous wide the gates before him, Saying, as you wealth of earth were profited, Naught would buy the mystery surrounded, Depths that no one
5 Human reason, though it ponders,
   Cannot fathom these great wonders,
   That Christ’s body must be boundless
   Since the souls it feeds are countless,
   And that his blood is giving
   With the wine we are receiving.
   These great mysteries unsounded
   Are by God alone expounded.

6 Lord, by love and mercy driven,
   You have left your throne in heaven
   On the cross for me to languish
   And to die in bitter anguish,
   To forgo all joy and gladness
   And to shed your blood in sadness.
   By this blood redeemed and living,
   Lord, I praise you with thanksgiving.

7 Jesus, Sun of life, my Splendor,
   Jesus, Friend of friends most tender,
   Jesus, Joy of my desiring,
   Fount of life, my soul inspiring —
   At your feet I cry, my Maker:
   Let me be a fit partaker
   Of this blessed food from heaven
   For our good, your glory, given.

8 Jesus, Lord of life, I pray you,
   Let me gladly here obey you.
   By your love I am invited;
   Be your love with love requited.
   By this supper let me measure,
   Lord, how vast and deep love’s treasure.
   Through the gift of grace you give me
   As your guest in heav’n receive me.