

# 401 The Church's One Foundation

*No one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid; Jesus Christ. 1 Corinthians 3:11*

1. The Church - 's one foun - da - tion Is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;  
 2. E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, Yet one o'er all the earth,  
 3. 'Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion And tu - mult of her war,  
 4. Yet she on earth hath un - ion With God, the Three in One,

She is His new cre - a - tion By wa - ter and the Word:  
 Her char - ter of sal - va - tion: One Lord, one faith, one birth;  
 She waits the con - sum - ma - tion Of peace for - ev - er - more;  
 And mys - tic, sweet com - mu - nion With those whose rest is won:

From heav'n He came and sought her To be His ho - ly bride;  
 One ho - ly name she bless - es, Par - takes one ho - ly food;  
 Till with the vi - sion glo - rious Her long - ing eyes are blest,  
 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we

With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.  
 And to one hope she press - es, With ev - ery grace en - dued.  
 And the great Church vic - to - rious Shall be the Church at rest.  
 Like them, the meek and low - ly, On high may dwell with Thee.

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*Optional last stanza setting*