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(1839-1900)

AMNS 170 The Church's one foundation

Melody: Aurelia

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1. The Church - 's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord;
2. E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
3. Though with a scorn - ful won - der men see her sore op - prest,
4. Mid toil and tri - bu - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war,
5. Yet she on earth hath u - nion 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;
by schis - ms rent a - sun - der, by he - re - sies dis - trest,
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,
yet saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How long?"
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 - 'ry grace en - dued.
and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
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.