

**We hail thee now, O Jesus**

We hail thee now, O Jesus,  
thy presence here we own,  
though sight and touch have failed us,  
and faith perceives alone;  
thy love has veiled thy glory;  
and hid thy power divine,  
in mercy to our weakness,  
beneath an earthly sign.

We hail thee now, O Jesus,  
in silence hast thou come,  
for all the hosts of heaven  
with wonderment are dumb:  
so great the condescension,  
so marvelous the love,  
which for our sakes, O Savior,  
have drawn thee from above.

We hail thee now, O Jesus,  
for law and type have ceased,  
and thou in each Communion  
art Sacrifice and Priest;  
we make this great memorial  
in union, Lord, with thee,  
and plead thy death and passion  
to cleanse and set us free.

We hail thee now, O Jesus,  
for death is drawing near,  
and in thy presence only  
its terrors disappear;  
dwell with us, sweetest Savior,  
and guide us through the night,  
till shadows end in glory,  
and faith be lost in sight.