

## **Almighty God, whose only Son**

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o'er sin and death the triumph won,  
and ever lives to intercede  
for souls who thy sweet mercy need;

In his dear Name to thee we pray  
for all who err and go astray,  
for sinners, wheresoe'er they be,  
who do not serve and honor thee.

There are who never yet have heard  
the tidings of thy blessèd Word,  
but still in heathen darkness dwell,  
without one thought of heaven or hell;

And some within thy sacred fold  
to holy things are dead and cold,  
and waste the precious hours of life  
in selfish ease, or toil, or strife;

And many a quickened soul within  
there lurks the secret love of sin,  
a wayward will, or anxious fears,  
or lingering taint of bygone years.

O give repentance true and deep  
to all thy lost and wandering sheep,  
and kindle in their hearts the fire  
of holy love and pure desire.

That so from angel-hosts above  
may rise a sweeter song of love,  
and we, with all the blest, adore  
thy Name, O God, for evermore.