

Hymn Lyrics

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Jesus, with thy Church abide

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be her Savior, Lord, and Guide,
while on earth her faith is tried:
we beseech thee, hear us.

Keep her life and doctrine pure,
help her, patient, to endure,
trusting in thy promise sure:
we beseech thee, hear us.

All her fettered powers release
bid our strife and envy cease,
grant the heavenly gift of peace:
we beseech thee, hear us.

May she one in doctrine be,
one in truth and charity,
winning all to faith in thee:
we beseech thee, hear us.

May she guide the poor and blind,
seek the lost until she find,
and the broken hearted bind:
we beseech thee, hear us.

May her priests thy people feed,
shepherds of the flock indeed,
ready, where thou call'st, to lead:
we beseech thee, hear us.

Judge her not for work undone,
judge her not for fields unwon,
bless her works in thee begun:
we beseech thee, hear us.

All that she has lost, restore,
may her strength and zeal be more
than in brightest days of yore:
we beseech thee, hear us.

Raise her to her calling high,
let the nations far and nigh
hear thy heralds' warning cry:
we beseech thee, hear us.

May she holy triumphs win,
pverthrow the hosts of sin,
gather all the nations in,
we beseech thee, hear us.