Only-begotten, Word of God eternal

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1. Only-begotten, Word of God eternal,
2. This is thy temple; here thy presence chamber,
3. Here in our sickness healing grace aboundeth,
4. Hallowed this dwelling where the Lord abideth,
5. Lord, we beseech thee, as we throng thy temple,
6. God in three Persons, Father everlasting,

Lord of creation, merciful and mighty,
here may thy servants, at the mystic banquet,
light in our blindness, in our toil refreshment:
this is none other than the gate of heaven;
by thy past blessings, by thy present bounty,
Son co-equal, everblessed Spirit,

hear now thy servants when their joyful voices
humbly adoring, take thy Body broken,
sin is forgiven, hope o'er fear prevail eth,
strangers and pilgrims, seeking homes eternal,
favor thy children, and with tender mercy
thine be the glory, praise, and adoration,

rise to thy presence.
drink of thy chalice.
joy over sorrow.
pass through its particulars.
hear our petitions.
now and for ever.