To Stand for all Creation

The melody of this carol is shared with the Latin hymn “Adeste Fideles”, known in English as “O Come All Ye Faithful”.

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1. O come, all ye faithful, fear-ful yet cour-age-ous! O come, we as one brave heart-ed our fate must face!

2. Grow, trees and bush-es, flow-ers, gras-ses rush-es! O grow from rich soil to keep Earth breath-ing a-new! Your fruits do feed us,

re-so-lute through pe-ri-l, to stand for all Cre-a-tion, to stand for all Cre-a-tion, to stand for all Cre-a-tion, to stand for all Cre-a-tion, Earth’s hope to hold! Earth’s hope to hold!

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3. Blow, breath of Heaven, wind of transformation!
   Blow 'way all currents stifling Life's precious air!
   Breathe through our body, Breath of Life and Spirit
   to stand for all Creation (3x)
   Earth's hope to hold!

4. Flow, precious water, balm of Terra Mater!
   Flow o'er the earth, rejoin the great sea of Life!
   Rivers feed oceans, birds and fish us motion
   to stand for all Creation (3x)
   Earth's hope to hold!

5. Whale, bear and raptor, all Man's kin in Nature!
   Humbly concede we now our shared earthly home!
   One, all, and Nation, vowing reparation
   to stand for all Creation (3x)
   Earth's hope to hold!