

Festal Day, with Joy I Greet Thee

1. Fes-tal day, with joy I greet thee, And with all the pi-ous meet thee!
 2. Brethren, as His children, low-ly, Let us hear God's teach-ings ho-ly;
 3. O ye par-doned and re-deem-ed, Praise the Fa-ther so es-teem-ed,

Day of rest and bless-ed-ness, Soul and bod-y Thou dost bless.
 Feel the Fa-ther's glow-ing love, Grant-ing all things from a - bove!
 Thank Him who from heav-en's throne In deep love on us looks down!

4. Praise Him who ne'er turned against us
 And His Son from heaven sent us,
 Bearing all our sin and woe—
 All things did and doth bestow.

5. Day that turns to joy all sadness!
 Jesus Christ, our Sun of gladness,
 Light and warm our hearts away!
 Let who can be glad today!

6. Father, Thy commandments holy
 Teach us to obey more fully;
 Let afar from each heart be
 Self-will and hypocrisy.

7. With Thy truth, O Lord, awake us,
 By the hand today, O take us,
 Till our heart for gladness swells;
 Show that Jesus in us dwells.

8. Grant us wisdom and affection;
 Help us follow Thy direction
 To be happy with the glad,
 To give comfort to the sad.

9. Teacher, show us rightful living,
 Ever truer for Thee striving;
 Asking, seeking, trusting Thee,
 Till we find Thee and Thee see!