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Te laeta, mundi Conditor.

MAKER of earth, to thee alone Perpetual rest belongs; And the bright choirs around thy throne May pour their endless songs.

- 2 But we,—ah holy now no more!
 Are doomed to toil and pain;
 Yet exiles on an alien shore
 May sing their country's strain.
- 3 Father, whose promise binds thee still
 To heal the suppliant throng,
 Grant us to mourn the deeds of ill
 That banish us so long;
- 4 And, while we mourn, in faith to rest Upon thy love and care, Till thou restore us with the blest The song of heaven to share.
- O God the Father, God the Son, And God the Holy Ghost,
 To thee be praise, great Three in One, From thy created host. Amen.

