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AT HOLY COMMUNION

(After the Prayer of Consecration.)

WE hail Thee now, O JESU,
Upon Thine Altar-throne,
Though sight and touch have failed us,
And faith perceives alone;
Thy love has veiled Thy Godhead,
And hid Thy power divine,
In mercy to our weakness,
Beneath an earthly sign.

|| We hail Thee now, O JESU,
In silence hast Thou come,
For all the Hosts of Heaven
With wonderment are dumb—
So great the condescension,
So marvellous the love,
Which for our sakes, O Saviour,
Have drawn Thee from above.

|| We hail Thee now, O JESU,
For law and type have ceased,
And Thou in each Communion
Art Sacrifice and Priest;
We offer to the FATHER,
In union, Lord, with Thee,
Thy precious Blood and Body
To cleanse and set us free,

|| We hail Thee now, O JESU,
For death is drawing near,
And in thy presence only
Its terrors disappear;
Dwell with us, sweetest Saviour,
And guide us through the night,
Till shadows end in glory,
And faith be lost in sight.

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