

The Hymnal 1982 - #379 God is Love, let heaven adore him

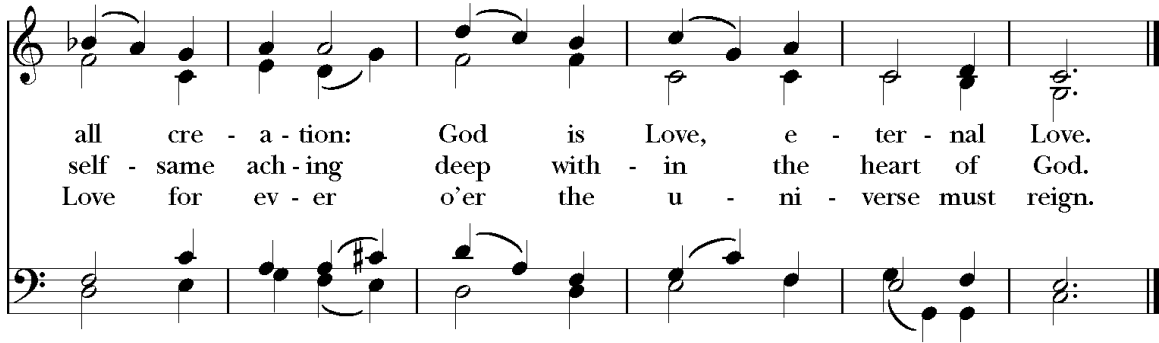
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1 God is Love, let heaven a - dore him; God is Love, let
2 God is Love; and Love en - folds us, all the world in
3 God is Love; and though with blind - ness sin af - flicts all

earth re - joice; let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him
one em - brace: with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us,
hu - man life, God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind - ness

and ex - alt him with one voice. God who laid the earth's foun -
ev - ery child of ev - ery race. And when hu - man hearts are
guides us through our earth - ly strife. Sin and death and hell shall

da - tion, God who spread the heaven a - bove, God who breathes through
break - ing un - der sor - row's i - ron rod, then we find that
nev - er o'er us fi - nal tri - umph gain; God is Love, so



all cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love.
 self - same ach - ing deep with - in the heart of God.
 Love for ev - er o'er the u - ni - verse must reign.

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- 1 God is Love, let heaven adore him;
 God is Love, let earth rejoice;
 let creation sing before him
 and exalt him with one voice.
 God who laid the earth's foundation,
 God who spread the heaven above,
 God who breathes through all creation:
 God is Love, eternal Love.
- 2 God is Love; and Love enfolds us,
 all the world in one embrace:
 with unfailing grasp God holds us,
 every child of every race.
 And when human hearts are breaking
 under sorrow's iron rod,
 then we find that selfsame aching
 deep within the heart of God.
- 3 God is Love; and though with blindness
 sin afflicts all human life,
 God's eternal loving-kindness
 guides us through our earthly strife.
 Sin and death and hell shall never
 o'er us final triumph gain;
 God is Love, so Love for ever
 o'er the universe must reign.

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All verses

1 Sa - vior, like a shep-herd lead us; much we need thy
2 Ear - ly let us seek thy fa - vor, ear - ly let us

ten - der care; in thy plea - sant pas - tures feed us;
learn thy will; do thou, Lord, our on - ly Sa - vior,

for our use thy folds pre - pare. Bless - ed Je - sus!
with thy love our bos - oms fill. Bless - ed Je - sus!

Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.
Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast loved us: love us still.

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