

Union and Communion

Based on *Heidelberg Catechism*, Lord's Day 21, Q. 54-56

Be - liev - ers are the church of Christ, The seed of A - bra - ham;

One Spir - it and one bap - tis - m: The saints in un - ion stand.

I know I am and shall re - main A - live in Christ the Vine;

My Shep - herd gave His life for me, I glad - ly give Him mine.

1. From time's be - gin - ning to world's end Out of the hu - man race,
2. All who be - lieve are one in Christ, In His com - mun - ion share;
3. I know that God will for Christ's sake, No more re - call my sins;

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God's Son does gath - er and de - fend, Pre - serves His Church in grace.
 Re - ceiv - ing His most gra - cious gifts, The saints His rich - es bear.
 Al - though I strug - gle all my life, I know I am for - giv'n.

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Ap - point - ed to e - ter - nal life, By Word and Spir - it saved:
 Made read - y, cheer - ful to em - ploy These gifts for oth - ers too,
 He gra - cious - ly im - putes to me Christ's per - fect right - eous - ness;

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One ho - ly u - ni - ver - sal church, A - gree - ing in true faith.
 We seek their sav - ing health and strength, It's our de - light to do.
 I'll nev - er be con - demned be - fore The court of God most just.

Music 1: English traditional melody; adapt. Arthur S. Sullivan, 1874
 Music 2: Benjamin C. Unseld (1843–1923)
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