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With Thanks and Praise

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With shouts of joy,
we come to thank you.
Praise for the Light of the world.
O radiant Light,
darkness you banished.
Blest be the Lord of all life.

Refrain

We give the Lord Glory and Praise.
Let us give thanks and sing with gladness!

O hearts rejoice,
burning with passion,
filled with the light of the Lord,
give thanks and praise
to our Creator.
Come and rejoice in the Lord.

Tremble all earth
for Christ is risen.
Let every knee bend at his name.
Blest is that name
now and forever.
Come and give praise to the Lord.

Children are we,
filled up with laughter,
sharing the light of the Lord.
Come fill our hearts,
O Holy Spirit,
that we may sing of your love.

For all the gifts
that we've been given
let us give thanks to the Lord.
We sing with joy
in adoration
for all the goodness of God.

Father be praised,
with Son and Spirit,
praise to their Living Union in Love.
Glory and praise
now and forever.
Praise for the love of the Lord.

Note: This hymn text was written as part of an Individual Learning Project entitled "Praise, Petition, and Poetry: Composing Effective Liturgical Texts." The text was written for the hymn tune "Earth and All Stars" by David N. Johnson.