For the Beauty of the Earth

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1. For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
   for the love which from our birth o-ver and a-round us lies:
   Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grate-ful praise.

2. For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night;
   hill and vale, and tree and flow’r, sun and moon, and stars of light:
   Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grate-ful praise.

3. For the joy of human love, broth-er, sis-ter, par-ent, child;
   friends on earth, and friends a-bove, pleas-ures pure and un-de-filed:
   Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grate-ful praise.

4. For Thy church that ev-er-more lifts her ho-ly hands a-bove,
   of-fering up on ev-ery shore her pure sac-ri-fice of love:
   Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grate-ful praise.

5. For the joy of ear and eye,
   for the heart and mind’s delight,
   for the mystic harmony
   linking sense and sound and sight:
   Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grate-ful praise.

6. For Thyself, best gift divine,
   to our world so freely giv’n;
   for that great, great love of Thine,
   peace on earth and joy in heav’n:
   Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grate-ful praise.

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