Where True Charity and Love Abide

_Ubi caritas et amor_

Where true charity and love abide, God is dwell-ing there.

1. We are gathered by the one love of Christ Jesus;
2. Since we are all one in the Lord, as we gather,
3. All surrounded by the blest saints, we shall see you
   let us lift our voices to God and be joyful.
   let us be watchful that no strife still divide us.
   face to face in glory and light, O Christ Jesus.

   In holy wonder let us love the living God,
   Contention, envy, ill will, spite—may these all cease;
   With holy joy far beyond thought we shall be full,
   and may our hearts ever be one in faithful love.

   with us, abiding in our midst, is Christ our God.
   from age to age, world without end, forevermore.

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