Now Thank We All Our God

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1. Now thank we all our God  
   With heart and hands and voices,

2. O may this bounteous God,  
   Through all our life be near us,

3. All praise and thanks to God,  
   The Father now be given,

Who wondrous things hath done,  
In whom His world rejoiceth;
With ever joyful hearts  
And blessèd peace to cheer us;
The Son and Him who reigns  
With them in highest heaven,

Who, from our mother’s arms,  
Hath blessed us on our way
And keep us in His grace,  
And guide us when perplexed,
The one eternal God,  
Whom earth and heaven adore;

With countless gifts of love,  
And still is ours to-day.
And free us from all ills  
In this world and the next.
For thus it was, is now,  
And shall be ever-more. Amen.