



The Church's One Foundation

"Christ Jesus Himself being the corner stone." | Ephesians 2:20

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Tune by Samuel S. Wesley, arr. Jody Killingsworth

♩ = 64

INTRO

C - - - | F - - - | G - - -
C - F - | - - G - | C/E - F - | - - G

VERSE 1

C FM7 FM6
The Church's one founda-tion
Gsus7 G7 C
Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
C/E F
She is His new creation
Dm C Gsus G
By water and the Word.
C F C/E
From heav'n He came and sought her
Am A/C# Dm
To be His holy bride;
G/B C FM7 FM6
With His own blood He bought her,
Gsus7 G7 (C)
And for her life He died.

INTERLUDE

C - F - | - - G - | C/E - F - | - - G

VERSE 2

C FM7 FM6
Elect from every na-tion,
Gsus7 G7 C
Yet one o'er all the earth,
C/E F
Her charter of salvation
Dm C Gsus G
One Lord, one faith, one birth;
C F C/E
One holy name she blesses,
Am A/C# Dm
Partakes one holy food,
G/B C FM7 FM6
And to one hope she presses,
Gsus7 G7 (C)
With every grace endued.

INTERLUDE

C - F - | - - G - | C/E - F - | - - G

VERSE 3

C FM7 FM6
Though with a scornful won-der
Gsus7 G7 C
Men see her sore oppressed,
C/E F
By schisms rent asunder,
Dm C Gsus G
By heresies distressed,
C F C/E
Yet saints their watch are keeping,
Am A/C# Dm
Their cry goes up, "How long?"
G/B C FM7 FM6
And soon the night of weeping
Gsus7 G7 (C)
Shall be the morn of song.

INTERLUDE

C - F - | - - G - | C/E - F - | - - G

VERSE 4

C FM7 FM6
The Church shall never per-ish!
Gsus7 G7 C
Her dear Lord to defend,
C/E F
To guide, sustain, and cherish,
Dm C Gsus G
Is with her to the end;
C F C/E
Though there be those that hate her,
Am A/C# Dm
And false sons in her pale,
G/B C FM7 FM6
A-against or foe or traitor
Gsus7 G7 (C)
She ever shall prevail.

INTERLUDE

C - F - | - - G - | C/E - F - | - - G



VERSE 5

C FM⁷ FM⁶
 'Mid toil and tribula-tion,
 Gsus⁷ G⁷ C
 And tumult of her war,
 C/E F
 She waits the consummation
 Dm C Gsus G
 Of peace forevermore;
 C F C/E
 Till with the vision glorious
 Am A/C[#] Dm
 Her longing eyes are blest,
 G/B C FM⁷ FM⁶
 And the great Church victo—rious
 Gsus⁷ G⁷ (C)
 Shall be the Church at rest.

INTERLUDE

C - F - | - - G - | C/E - F - | - - G

VERSE 6

C FM⁷ FM⁶
 Yet she on earth hath un-ion
 Gsus⁷ G⁷ C
 With God the Three in One,
 C/E F
 And mystic sweet communion
 Dm C Gsus G
 With those whose rest is won:
 C F C/E
 O happy ones and ho-ly!
 Am A/C[#] Dm
 Lord, give us grace that we
 G/B C FM⁷ FM⁶
 Like them, the meek and low-ly,
 Gsus⁷ G⁷ (C)
 On high may dwell with Thee.

OUTRO

C - F - | - - G - | C/E - F - | - - G - | C