ON OPENING A PLACE FOR SOCIAL PRAYER



- 2. For thou, within no walls confined, inhabitest the humble mind; such ever bring thee where they come, and going, take thee to their home.
- 3. Dear Shepherd of thy chosen few! thy former mercies here renew; here to our waiting hearts proclaim the sweetness of thy saving name.
- 4. Here may we prove the power of prayer, to strengthen faith and sweeten care; to teach our faint desires to rise, and bring all heaven before our eyes.
- 5. Behold, at thy commanding word we stretch the curtain and the cord; come thou and fill this wider space, and bless us with a large increase.
- 6. Lord, we are few, but thou art near; nor short thine arm, nor deaf thine ear; oh rend the heavens, come quickly down, and make a thousand hearts thine own!

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