

# The Church the vessel is to Christ

## The Church — The Vessel of Christ

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1. The Church the ves - sel is		to Christ, Him to		con - tain		and Him		ex - press,		
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Just as the hu - man bo - dy doth		Man's	life	show forth,		his life		pos - sess.		

2. As was the temple to the ark,  
Receptacle and resting-place;  
So Christ the Church's content is,  
And in the Church, Christ's dwelling-place.
3. As Christ is God's true mystery,  
God to explain and God express;  
So is the Church Christ's mystery,  
Christ to explain and manifest.
4. The members of the Church of Christ  
Are all primarily of clay;  
They need to be transformed and made  
Transparent, precious day by day.
5. By transformation they are built,  
A vessel they to Christ afford;  
His all-inclusiveness they hold;  
Transparent, they express the Lord.
6. Thru all the transformation work  
The triune God performs in them,  
The Church a corporate vessel is  
And like the new Jerusalem.
7. How precious she in each respect,  
Transparent too in every phase;  
Christ with God's fulness she contains,  
Christ with God's glory she displays.
8. With Christ as life, with God as light,  
And with the Spirit's living flow,  
The triune God she manifests  
For all the universe to know.