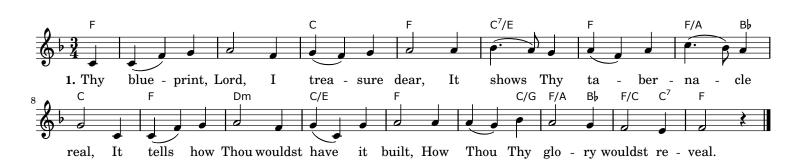
Thy blueprint, Lord, I treasure dear

The Church — Her Building



- 2. The ark's the center of the tent, The tent is but its resting-place: In it the ten commandments are, And in the tent it ever stays.
- **3.** The ark the God-man, Christ, displays— God mixed with man, as gold, wood meet; The law is God's expression full, Which dwells in Christ the Son complete.
- 4. Thus Christ's the center of the Church, Which is to Him a resting-place; In Christ the Father ever dwells, And in the Church, Christ's dwelling-place.
- 5. The tent's the increase of the ark, Both are of wood with gold o'erlaid; The Church the increase is of Christ, God blent with man here too displayed.
- 6. The boards when joined support the tent On silver sockets standing sure; Gold overlaid, with golden rings And interlocking bars, secure.

7. The Church is thus the gathered saints, On Christ's redemption standing sure; In life divine, by Spirit bound, Together built and framed secure.

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- 8. The tent's four-layered cover shows The Christ of God in every phase; God's glory thus is signified, Covering His holy dwelling-place.
- 9. Covered by such a glorious Christ, All saints together knit may be; Enjoying all He is for them, In Him they're builded gloriously.
- 10. The law is placed within the ark, The ark within the tent doth rest; So God in Christ within the Church His wondrous glory manifests.