THE CHURCH’S ONE FOUNDATION

Trinity Hymnbook, Page 347 (D); Hymn Fake Book, Page 69 (Eb), Violin 25/25 (transposed);

D          G         D       A     D     G         D        A  D
The church’s one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
E-          lect from ev’ry na- tion, yet one o’er all the earth,
Tho’ with a scornful won- der men see her sore op- pressed,
The church shall ne- ver pe- rish! Her dear Lord to de- fend,
‘Mid toil and tri- bula- tion, and tumult of her war,
Yet she on earth hath u- nion with God the Three in One,

A          D          F#7        G   F#m   G  A    D     E7    A
She is His new cre- ation by wa- ter and the Word;
Her charter of sal- vation one Lord, one faith, on birth;
By schisms rent a- sunder, by her- e- sies dis- tressed,
To guide, su- stain, and cherish, is with her to the end;
She waits the consum- mation of peace for- ev- er- more;
And mystic sweet com- munion with those whose rest is won;

D          A          D          G         D  Bm F#     B  Em
From Heav’n He came and sought her to be His ho- ly bride;
One ho- ly name she bless- es, partakes one ho- ly food,
Yet saints their watch are keep- ing, their cry goes up, “How long?”
Tho’ there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale,
Till with the vi- sion glo- rious her long- ing eyes are blest,
O hap- py ones and ho- ly! Lord, give us grace that we,

A          D          G         D  G          Em7    A  A7    D
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.
And to one hope she presses with ev’ry grace en- dued.
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.
A- gainst or foe or traitor she ever shall pre- vail.
And the great church vic- torious shall be the church at rest.
Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with Thee.