The wandering flock of Israel is scattered and far from home and hope; the Shepherd alone, with crook and staff, can find them and lead and keep them safe.

He made and upheld us, granted grace; His smile is our peace, His word our hope.

I walk on the heights, I climb and cling, the terror beneath, the ice aloft. I look for His tracks, await His hand to help and to hold, to guide and save.

I thirst for His word as grass in drought dry, brittle and barren, parched and brown; no shower can fall, no sap rise green no hope, if the Lord should send no rain.

Creator of all, Your craftsman's care with fashioning hand caressed our clay; this vine is the work Your hands have wrought, Your love is the sun, our soil of growth.