Our Lord Fulfilled The Law And All The Prophets

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(Verse 1)
Our Lord fulfilled the Law and all the Prophets;
Messiah, King, and Hope of Israel;
And by his grace, we're grafted in as branches:
Together in our Lord, the Vine, we dwell.
We are no longer strangers to the promise
Of God-with-us and blessing evermore;
The wall of sin, the barrier, is broken,
And in its place, there is, through faith, an open door.

(Verse 2)
Our Lord fulfilled the Law and all the Prophets:
The Living Temple, let us come to him;
The Great High Priest, who knows us and who offered
The full and final sacrifice for sin.
For Jesus Christ was perfect, pure and holy,
And by his blood, our sins are washed away.
We have been raised with him as new creations
And, Spirit-filled, we live to love and to obey.

(Verse 3)
Our Lord fulfilled the Law and all the Prophets
To glorify his Father here on earth.
He builds the Church, his body of believers,
A place of hope and healing and rebirth.
So let us be a light to all the nations,
That all the world would worship him and find
The joy of knowing Christ our great redeemer:
The sacrificial Saviour of all humankind.

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Selected References:
Opening Refrain: Jesus came to fulfil the Law and the Prophets (Mt 5:17)
Verse 1: Messiah (Mt 16:16); King (Jn 18:36); Hope of Israel (Acts 28:20); Grace (Eph 2:8); Grafted into Israel (Rom 11:11-23); Abiding in the Vine (Jn 15:1-8); Strangers to the promise (Eph 2:12); God with us (Is 41:10, Mt 1:23), Blessing (Dt 28:1-14, Eph 1:3); Wall/barrier (Is 59:2, Rom 3:23, Eph 2:14); Faith/door (Gen 15:6, Jn 3:16, Rom 5:1, Eph 2:8, Rev 3:20).
Verse 2 Jesus as temple (Jn 2:19-21), come to the temple (Is 2:3, Ps 122:1), come to Jesus (Lk 18:16, Heb 4:16, 12:24), Jesus the Great High priest who knows us (Heb 4:14-16), blameless High Priest who made a full and final sacrifice for sins (Heb 7:26-28, 9:11-28, 10:11-18), Jesus' perfection/Jesus' blood washes away our sins (Heb 7:23-8:7, 10:12-22, 1 Jn 1:7-9); New creations (2 Cor 5:17); Spirit-filled (Joel 2:28-29, Lk 11:13, 1 Cor 12:13); Live to love and obey (Mt 22:37-40, Jn 14:15, 23-24)
Verse 3: Jesus glorified the Father on earth by finishing his work (Jn 17:4); Jesus builds the church (Mt 16:18, Eph 4:16), Church as body of Christ (1 Cor 12:1-27); Hope/healing/rebirth (1 Pet 1:3, Jam 5:14-16, Jn 1:12-13, 3:3-7, Rom 12:2); Light to the nations (Is 42:6, 49:6, Mt 5:4, 28:19-20, Acts 13:47), Worship Christ (Mt 21:9, Phil 2:9-10, Rev 5:13); Sacrificial Saviour (Is 53:1-12, Rom 3:25, 1 Cor 5:7, Heb 10:12-14, 1 Pet 2:24, 1 Jn 2:2, Rev 12:11)