For the Beauty of the Earth

**Soprano Descant**

1. For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
2. For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night,
3. For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind’s delight,
4. For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
5. For thy church, that evermore lifteth holy hands above,
6. For thyself, best Gift Divine, to the world so freely given,

for the love which from our birth over and around us lies;
for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight;
friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild;
of fering up on every shore her pure sacrifice of love;
for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven;

**Refrain**

Lord of all, to thee we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

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