

NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD : OTEN Easy Music

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LYRICS

VERSE 1

Now thank we all our God
With hearts and hands and voices.
Who wondrous things has done,
In whom His world rejoices.
Who from our mother's arms
Has blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love –
And still is ours today!

VERSE 2

O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us.
With ever joyful hearts,
And blessed peace to cheer us.
And keep us in His grace.
And guide us when perplexed.
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

VERSE 3

All praise and thanks to God,
The Father now be given!
The Son and Him who reigns
With them in highest heaven –
The one eternal God
Whom earth and heaven adore –
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

This SONG can be DIFFICULT for most musicians as written using standard music notation.... Because there are so MANY chord changes. But it's easy – all counted out – using **OTEN, Osborne Text Notation System**. I Thank the Holy Spirit for *HIS* wisdom he gave me to invent this music method to help musicians at ALL levels to quickly play hymns & praise songs like this wonderful 400-year-old worship song. – DianaDee Osborne