

1 The Father has delivered us from the dominion of darkness, ☩

and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son;

2 In whom we have redemption, ☩

the forgiveness of our sins.

3 He is the image of the invisible God, ☩

the firstborn of all creation.

4 For in him all things were created, ☩

in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible.

5 All things were created through him and for him, ☩

he is before all things and in him all things hold together.

6 He is the head of the body, the Church, ☩

he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead.

7 In him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell; ☩

and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things.

*Colossians 1.13–18a, 19, 20a*

Glory to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning is now

and shall be for ever. Amen.

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