Fairest Lord Jesus

Words: German, 17th Century; translated by Joseph A. Seiss, 1873
Music: Silesian folk tune, 1842
Arranged by Richard S. Willis, 1850

1. Fair-est Lord Je-sus, Rul-er of all na-ture,
   O Thou of God and man the Son, Thee will I cher-ish,
   Thee will I hon-or, Thou my soul's glo-ry, joy, and crown.

2. Fair are the mead-ows, Fair-er still the wood-lands,
   Robed in the bloom-ing garb of spring; Je-sus is fair-er,
   Je-sus is pur-er, Who makes the woe-ful heart to sing.

3. Fair is the sun-shine, Fair-er still the moon-light,
   And all the twink-ling, star-ry host; Je-sus shines bright-er,
   Je-sus shines pur-er, Than all the an-gels heaven can boast.