St Albans Hymnal. Hymn 365.
 Lyrics Dr JM Neale, 1818 – 1866. Score St Alphege, 7v with two line intro

O happy band of pilgrims
if onward ye will tread
with Christ our Lord as leader
to Christ our Lord as head !

O happy if ye labour
as he hath done for men
O happy if you love them
as He hath loved them then.

The faith by which ye see Him
the hope in which ye yearn
the love that through all troubles
to Him alone will turn.

What are they but His heralds
to lead you to His sight ?
what are they but the effluence
of uncreated light ?

The trials that beset you
the sorrows ye enbdure
the manifold temptations
that death alone can cure.

What are they but His jewels
of right celestial worth
what are they but a ladder
set up to heaven on earth ?

O happy band of pilgrims
look upward to the skies
where such a light affliction
shall win so great a prize.