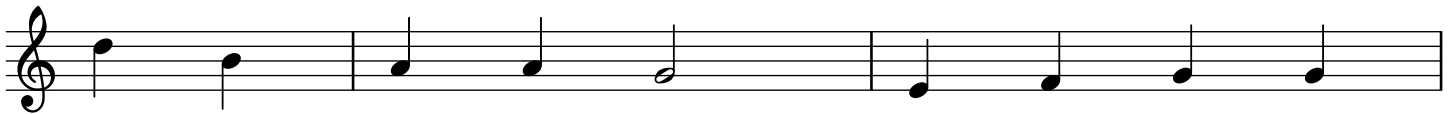


On This Day, the First of Days

Baker / GOTT SEI DANK



1. On this day, the first of days, God the
2. On this day, th'e - ter - nal Son o - ver
3. O that fer - vent love to - day may in
4. Fa - ther, who didst fash - ion me im - age
5. Ho - ly Je - sus, may I be dead and
6. Thou who dost all gifts im - part, gifts to
7. God, the one God of my heart, I am



1. Fa - ther's name we praise; who, cre - a - tion's
2. death his tri - umph won; on this day the
3. ev - 'ry heart have sway, teach - ing us to
4. of thy - self to be, fill me with thy
5. ris - en here with thee; and up - on love's
6. shine in ev - 'ry heart; best of gifts, thy -
7. thine, and mine thou art; take me, bless - èd



1. Lord and Spring, did the world from dark - ness bring.
2. Spir - it came with his gifts of liv - ing flame.
3. pray a - right God the source of life and light.
4. love di - vine, let my ev - 'ry thought be thine.
5. flame a - rise un - to thee a sac - ri - fice.
6. self be - stow; make me burn thy love to know.
7. One in Three, here I give my - self to thee.

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