

Veni Sancte Spiritus
Holy Spirit Lord of Light
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1. Ho - ly Spir - it, Lord of light, from the clear ce - les - tial height
2. Thou, of all con - so - lers best, thou, the souls de - light - ful guest,
3. Light im - mor - tal, light di - vine, vis - it thou these hearts of thine,
4. Heal our wounds, our strength re - new; on our dry - ness poor thy dew;
5. Thou, on us who ev - er - more thee con - fess and thee a - dore,



1. thy pure beam - ing ra - diance give. Come, thou Fa - ther of the poor,
2. dost re - fresh - ing peace be - stow; thou in toil art com - fort sweet;
3. and our in - most be - ing fill: if thou take thy grace a - way,
4. wash the stains of guilt a - way: bend the stub - born heart and will;
5. with thy seven - fold gifts de - scend: give us com - fort when we die;



1. come with trea - sures which en - dure; come, thou light of all that live.
2. plea - sant cool - ness in the heat; sol - ace in the midst of woe.
3. noth - ing pure in man will stay; all his good is turned to ill;
4. melt the fro - zen, warm the chill, guide the steps that go a - stray.
5. give us life with thee on high; give us joys that nev - er end.

Inspiration: Pentecost sequence, "Veni Sancte Spiritus", 13th century, attributed to Pope Innocent III, ca. 1161-1216.
Lyrics: 77.7 D; Edward Caswall, 1814-1878, in his "Lyra Catholica", 1849.
Music: WEBBE (aka VENI SANCTE SPIRITUS); Samuel Webbe the elder, 1740-1816, in his "An Essay on the Church Plain Chant", 1782.