

# “Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest”

by Rhabanus Maurus, 776-856

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1. Come, Holy Ghost, Creator blest,  
Vouchsafe within our souls to rest;  
Come with Thy grace and heavenly aid  
And fill the hearts which Thou hast made.

2. To Thee, the Comforter, we cry,  
To Thee, the Gift of God Most High,  
The Fount of life, the Fire of love,  
The soul's Anointing from above.

3. The sevenfold gifts of grace are Thine,  
O Finger of the Hand Divine;  
True promise of the Father Thou,  
Who dost the tongue with speech endow.

4. Thy light to every thought impart  
And shed Thy love in every heart;  
The weakness of our mortal state  
With deathless might invigorate.

5. Drive far away our wily Foe  
And Thine abiding peace bestow;  
If Thou be our protecting Guide,  
No evil can our steps betide.

6. Make Thou to us the Father known,  
Teach us the eternal Son to won  
And Thee, whose name we ever bless,  
Of both the Spirit, to confess.

7. Praise we the Father and the Son  
And Holy Spirit, with them One;  
And may the Son on us bestow  
The gifts that from the Spirit flow! Amen.

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