

## **All holy Sovereign of the sky**

All holy Sovereign of the sky,  
whose voice creative throned on high  
those orbs that shine so bright and fair,  
and thy Almighty power declare:

By thy appointment to divide  
the morning from the evening tide;  
with influence sweet the earth to cheer,  
and bless with grateful change the year:

Shine on our hearts, thou better Day,  
and inward darkness chase away;  
let danger flee before thy smile,  
and sin no more our souls defile.

Such blessings, Lord, our prayers implore,  
this evening and for evermore;  
hear us, O Father, hear, O Son,  
and Holy Spirit, Three in One.

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