

# Hymn Lyrics

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## God the Father, whose creation

1. God the Father! Whose creation  
Gives to flowers and fruits their birth,  
Thou, Whose yearly operation  
Brings the hour of harvest mirth,  
Here to Thee we make oblation  
Of the August-gold of earth.

2. God the Word! the sun, maturing  
With his blessèd ray the corn,  
Spake of Thee, O Sun enduring,  
Thee, O everlasting Morn!  
Thee in Whom our woes find curing  
Thee that liftest up our horn.

3. God the Holy Ghost! the showers  
That have fattened out the grain,  
Types of Thy celestial powers,  
Symbols of baptismal rain,  
Shadowed out the grace that dowers  
All the faithful of Thy train.

4. When the harvest of each nation  
Severs righteousness from sin,  
And archangel proclamation  
Bids to put the sickle in,  
And each age and generation  
Sink to woe, or glory win;

5. Grant that we, or young, or hoary,  
Lengthened be our span or brief,  
Whatsoe'er the life long story  
Of our joy or of our grief,  
May be garnered up in glory  
As Thine own elected sheaf.

6. Laud to Him to Whom supernal  
Thrones and virtues bend the knee;  
Laud to Him from Whom infernal  
Powers and dominations flee;  
Laud to Him the co-eternal  
Paraclete, forever be.