

Hymn Lyrics

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Hail thee, festival day (Pentecost)

Refrain:

*Hail thee, festival day!
Blest day that art hallowed forever;
day wherein God from heaven,
shone on the world with his grace.*

Lo! in the likeness of fire,
on them that await his appearing,
he whom the Lord foretold,
suddenly, swiftly, descends.

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Forth from the Father he comes
with his sevenfold mystical dowry,
pouring on human souls
infinite riches of God.

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Hark! in a hundred tongues
Christ's own, his chosen Apostles,
preach to a hundred tribes
Christ and his wonderful works.

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Praise to the Spirit of life,
all praise to the Fount of our being,
light that dost lighten all,
life that in all dost abide.

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God, who art giver of all
good gifts and lover of concord,
pour thy balm on our souls,
order our ways in thy peace.

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God Almighty, who fillest

the heaven, the earth and the ocean,
guard us from harm without,

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Kindle our lips with his live bright coal

from the hands of the Seraph;

shine in our minds with thy light;

burn in our hearts with thy love.

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