

Rites Cannot Change the Heart  
William Bunting, 1842.  
Johann Ngeli(1773-1836)

Rites cannot change the heart,  
Undo the evil done,  
Or with the uttered name impart  
The nature of Thy Son.

To meet our desperate want,  
There gushed a crimson flood;  
O from His heart's o'erflowing font  
Baptize this soul with blood!

Be grace from Christ our Lord,  
And love from God supreme,  
By the communing Spirit poured  
In a perpetual stream!