Send Us Your Spirit

Inspired by *Veni Sancte Spiritus*

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**INTRO** Calmly, lyrically ($ \dot{=} \text{ca. 88}$)

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  F  Gm7  F/A  Gm7  F/A  Csus4  C

Keyboard
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**VERSES 1-3**

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Soprano  mp  atempo

Alto

1. Send us your Spirit, O Lord.
2. Hold us with mercy, O Lord.
3. Teach us your wisdom, O Lord.

Tenor  mp  atempo

Bass  mp  atempo

1. Evening enfolds us, and holds us too near.
2. Sorrows have spoken, has broken our hearts.
3. Shadows have clouded, have crowded our sight.
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1. Wake the morning light. Make our living bright.
2. Clothe us in your care. Be the life we bear.
3. Give us hearts that see. Set our loving free.

1. Shine on our darkness. O Lord.
2. Feed us and fill us. O Lord.
3. Hear us and help us. O Lord.

1, 2
3

Send Us Your Spirit
F C/F B/ F F Gm7/C C
A /E
rit.
Es us 4 E
B F/A Gm7 C7sus4 C7 F F sus 4

Send Us Your Spirit
VERSE 4  

4. Send us good summer, O Lord.

4. Winters have chilled us and still us too long.

4. Give us love’s own fire.

Be our true de -
4. Lord. Send us your Spirit, O
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(Guitar/Vocal)

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Capo 1: (E)  (F♯m7)  (E)  (F♯m7)  (E)  (B)

*Keyboard*

(F)  Gm7  F/A  Gm7  F/A  rit.  Csus4  C

VERSES 1-3

(E)  (Esus4)  (E)  (Esus4)  (E)  (Esus4)  (E)  (B)

1. Send us ___ your Spir - it, ___ O Lord. ___
2. Hold us ___ with mer - cy, ___ O Lord. ___
3. Teach us ___ your wis - dom, ___ O Lord. ___

(F)  Fsus4  Gm7  F/A  Bb  G9/B  C  Csus4  C

1. Eve - ning ___ en - folds us ___ and holds us ___ too near. ___
2. Sor - row ___ has spo - ken, ___ has bro - ken ___ our hearts. ___
3. Shad - ows ___ have cloud - ed ___ have crowd - ed ___ our sight. ___

(A)  (G♯7)  (C♯m)  (A)  (B)  (G♯m7)

1. Wake the morn - ing light. Make our liv - ing bright.
2. Clothe us in your care. Be the life we bear.
3. Give us hearts that see. Set our lov - ing free.

(G♯7)  A7/C♯  A7  Dm  Dm/C  Bb  C/B♭  (G♯m7)  Am7

1. Shine ___ on our dark - ness, ___ O Lord. ___
2. Feed ___ us and fill us, ___ O Lord. ___
3. Hear ___ us and help us, ___ O Lord. ___

1, 2

(E)  (B)  (A)  (E)  (F♯m7)  (B)  (G♯m7/C)  C

1, 2

3

(G/D)  (Dsus4)  (D)

1, 2

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VERSE 4

4. Send us good sum-mer, O Lord.

4. Win-ters have chilled us and still us too long.

4. Give us love’s own fire. Be our true de-sire. Send us your

4. Spir-it, O Lord.

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Composer Notes

During the Easter vigil liturgy, newly baptized adults and those who are being received into the Church are confirmed. During this rite, the priest and other ministers first lay hands on them. Then they are anointed with the oil of chrism. While this ritual is taking place it is appropriate to sing a hymn of the Holy Spirit. Traditionally this has been the “Veni Creator Spiritus.” Send Us Your Spirit, which is based on another Gregorian hymn, the “Veni Sancte Spiritus,” is presented here as an alternative to accompany this ritual.

The piece has four verses in typical hymn form. As with any hymn, the challenge is to vary each verse in terms of choral and instrumental arrangement. One way of achieving this is to have just women sing on verse one, just men on verse two, and then bring in the mixed choral parts on the final verses. The same technique can be used with the ensemble instruments and accompaniment.

—Dan Schutte