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Veni, Creator Spiritus
SSATB (A Cappella)
(Alternative SAB/Descant with Assembly)

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Veni, Creator Spiritus

for Owen Alstott

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Prayerfully (♩ = ca. 60)
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Soprano
Ve - ni, Cre - á - tor_ Spí - ri - tus. _____

Alto
pp
Ve - ni! Ve - ni, Cre - á - tor _____

Tenor
pp
Ve - ni!

S (Ostinato Melody) *p*
Ve - ni, Sán - cte _____ Spí - ri - tus.

A *p*
Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni! Ve - ni, Cre - á - tor _____ Spí - ri - tus.

Ve - ni, Cre - á - tor _____ Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni,

Ve - ni! Ve - ni, Cre - á - tor _____ Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni! _____

S *p*
Sán - cte _____ Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni, Cre -

A *p*
Sán - cte Cre - á - tor _____ Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni!

B *p*
Ve - ni! Ve - ni,

- á - tor Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni,
 Ve - ni, Cre - á - tor Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni!
 Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni!

Sán - cte Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni, Cre -
 A Ve - ni, Cre - á - tor Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni!
 T *mp* Ve - ni, Sán - cte Spí - ri - tus. Ve -
 B *mp* Ve - ni! Ve - ni,

- á - tor Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni,
 Ve - ni, Cre - á - tor Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni!
 ni, Cre - á - tor Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni!
 Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni!

Veni, Creator Spiritus

Sán - cte Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni, Cre -
 Ve - ni, Cre - á - tor Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni!

p

mp

1. Ve - ni, Cre - á - tor Spí - ri - tus,
 3. Tu sep - ti - for - mis mú - ne - re,
 5. Ho - stem re - pel - las lón - gi - us,

Ve - ni! Ve - ni,

á - tor Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni,
 Ve - ni!

1. Im - ple su - pér -
 3. Tu ri - te pro -
 5. Du - ctó - re sic

1. Men - tes tu - ó - rum ví - si - ta:
 3. Dí - gi - tus pa - tér - nae déx - te - rae,
 5. Pa - cém - que do - nes pró - ti - nus:

Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni!

Soprano I

Sán - cte — Spí - ri - tus. *mp* Ve - ni!

Soprano II

Sán - cte — Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni, Cre -

Alto

1. - na — grá - ti - a }
 3. - mís - sum — Pa - tris, } Ve - ni!
 5. te — praé - vi - o, }

Tenor

Ve - ni, ve - ni,

Bass

Ve - ni! Ve - ni,

1. Quae — tu cre - á - sti pé - cto - ra.
 3. Ser - mó - ne — di - tans gút - tu - ra.
 5. Vi - té - mus — o - mne nó - xi - um.

á - tor — Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni,

ve - ni. Ve - ni, Cre -

Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni!

2. Qui dí - ce - ris Pa - rá - cli - tus, _
 4. Ac - cén - de lu - men sén - si - bus, _
 6. Per te sci - á - mus da Pa - trem, _

Sán - cte Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni, Cre -
 Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni!

- á - tor Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni,
 Ve - ni, Sán - cte

2. Al - tís - si - mi do - num De - i, _
 4. In - fún - de a - mó - rem cór - di - bus, _
 6. No - scá - mus at - que Fí - lí - um _ } Ve - ni,

á - tor Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni, Cre -
 Ve - ni!

2. Fons vi - vus, i -
 4. In - fir - ma no -
 6. Te - que u - tri - ús -

Sán - cte Spí - ri - tus.
 Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni!

Veni, Creator Spiritus

Sán - cte Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni!

- á - tor Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni! Ve - ni, Cre -

2. - gnis, cá - ri - tas, }
 4. - stri cór - po - ris } Ve - ni!
 6. - que Spí - ri - tum }

Ve - ni, ve - ni,

Ve - ni, Sán - cte

1, 2 3

2. Et spí - ri - tá - lis ún - cti - o. }
 4. Vir - tú - te fir - mans pér - pe - ti. } Ve - ni,
 6. Cre - dá - mus o - mni 6. tém - po - re. Ve - ni,

á - tor Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni, Spí - ri - tus.

Ve - ni! Ve - ni!

Sán - cte Spí - ri - tus. Spí - ri - tus.

Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni! Ve - ni!

mf
Sán - cte — Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni, Cre - á -

mf
Ve - ni, ve - ni, Sán - cte

mf
Ve - ni, Cre - á - tor — Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni! Ve - ni, Cre - á -

mf
Ve - ni, Sán - cte Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni, Cre - á - tor

mf
Ve - ni, ve - ni, ve - ni, _____

_____ tor — Spí - ri - tus.

Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni, Sán - cte —

_____ tor — Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni! — Sán - cte Cre - á - tor — Spí - ri -

Spí - ri - tus. _____ Ve - ni! Ve - ni,

_____ ve - ni! Ve - ni,

Veni, Creator Spiritus

mf *molto rit. e dim.* *p*
 Ve - ni, Cre - á - tor Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni!

molto rit. e dim. *mp*
 Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni, Cre - á - tor Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni!

molto rit. *p*
 tus. Ve - ni, Sán - cte Spí - ri - tus. A - men.

mp *molto rit. e dim.* *p*
 ve - ni, ve - ni.

mp *molto rit. e dim.* *div.*
 ve - ni, ve - ni, ve - ni!

Veni, Creator Spiritus

(Simple Version)

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Prayerfully (♩ = ca. 60)

Descant

Ve - ni, ve - ni, Cre - á - tor

Melody

Ostinato

Ve - ni, Sán - cte Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni, Cre -

Alto

Ve - ni, Sán - cte Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni, Cre -

Bass

Ve - ni, Sán - cte

Keyboard

(last time molto rit.)

Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni!

(last time molto rit.)

á - tor Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni,

(last time molto rit.)

á - tor Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni, ve - ni!

(last time molto rit.)

Spí - ri - tus. Ve - ni!

(last time molto rit.)

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Performance Notes

Veni, Creator Spiritus is built around a relentless *ostinato*, invoking the Holy Spirit to come among us. It is appropriate for Pentecost or the Sundays preceding Pentecost. It is also used for the Rite of Ordination and can be very effective for Confirmation, as the candidates are processing forward to be confirmed. In its simpler setting, it could be used for contemplative prayer in the Taizé style, a healing or reconciliation service.

Two versions of the piece are provided:

Full Choral Version (SSATB)—The verses are taken from the traditional chant, *Veni Creator Spiritus*, and are transposed and slightly altered to adhere to the *ostinato* structure. The duration of the piece can be shortened by singing fewer verses. The structure of the piece, however, requires the singing of at least two verses, since the verses begin alternately by tenors and sopranos, with altos picking up the last two phrases each time.

Simple Ostinato Version (SAB/Descant)—The assembly sings the *ostinato* two or more times, and the other parts are added layer by layer: alto, bass, and finally descant. To end the piece, the descant should drop out and join the *ostinato* melody and then all parts *decrescendo* to *pianissimo*. The simple keyboard accompaniment may be helpful in supporting the assembly; however, it is optional.

—B. B.

Translation:

1. *Come, Creator Spirit, come down; give to us your light from heaven, and fill with grace and all your aid every soul that you created.*
2. *You we call by names most holy; Spirit, Gift of God, the Most High, the font of Life, our Advocate, Soul's anointing, Fire of God's love.*
3. *Seven gifts of grace you give us; you the Power of God's divine hand, the Promise that our Father made, you to all give speech from heaven.*
4. *In our senses, light enkindle; pour into our hearts divine love; your strength unfailing grant to us—strength of God that conquers weakness.*
5. *Drive away all powers of evil; give us always peace and comfort; with you as guide to keep us all, evil falls, no harm will hurt us.*
6. *May we know through you the Father, and his Son our Lord and Savior; and aid us ever to believe: you from them proceed forever!*

—Rev. Augustine DeNoble

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Assembly Edition

VENI, CREATOR SPIRITUS

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OSTINATO

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