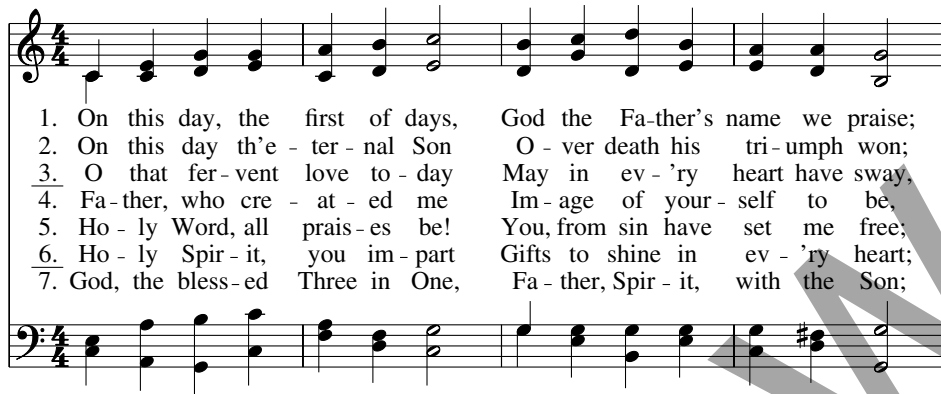


ON THIS DAY, THE FIRST OF DAYS



1. On this day, the first of days, God the Fa-ther's name we praise;
 2. On this day th'e - ter - nal Son O - ver death his tri - umph won;
 3. O that fer - vent love to - day May in ev - 'ry heart have sway,
 4. Fa - ther, who cre - at - ed me Im - age of your - self to be,
 5. Ho - ly Word, all prais - es be! You, from sin have set me free;
 6. Ho - ly Spir - it, you im - part Gifts to shine in ev - 'ry heart;
 7. God, the bless - ed Three in One, Fa - ther, Spir - it, with the Son;



1. Who, cre - a - tion's Font and Spring, Did the world from dark - ness bring.
 2. On this day the Spir - it came With the gifts of liv - ing flame.
 3. Teach - ing us to praise a - right God the source of life and light.
 4. May your grace be ev - er mine, Fill me with your love di - vine.
 5. And, up - on love's flame, a - rise Un - to you a sac - ri - fice.
 6. Best of gifts, your - self be - stow; Dwell in me your love to know.
 7. One in you with all a - bove, We send forth our hearts of love.

Text: 77 77; *Die parente temporum*; *Le Mans Breviary*, 1748; tr. by Henry W. Baker, 1821-1877, alt.; *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861.
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