Draw Near

Refrain: Stately (♩ = ca. 76)

Draw near, draw near! Take the body of your Lord.

Draw near, draw near! Drink the blood for you out-poured.

Verses

1. Draw near and take the body of your Lord,
2. Christ our Redeemer, God’s eternal Son,
3. Let us approach with faithfull hearts sincere,
4. With heav’nly bread makes those who hunger whole,

1. and drink the holy blood for you out-poured:
2. has by his cross and blood the victory won:
3. and take the pledges of salvation here:
4. gives living waters to the thirsting soul:

1. Saved by his body and his holy blood, with
2. He gave his life for greatest and for least, Him-
3. Christ who in this life all the saints defends, gives
4. Judge of the nations, to whom all must bow, in

1. souls refreshed we give our thanks to God.
2. self the of-f’ring and Him self the Priest.
3. all believers life that never ends.
4. this great feast of love is with us now.

Text: Sancti, venite, Christi corpus sumite, 7th cent.; tr. by John M. Neale, 1818–1866, alt.