

*Sancte venite, Corpus Christi sumite*

# Draw Nigh and Take the Body of the Lord

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F Dm B $\flat$  C F Gm F F C

1. Draw nigh and take the bod - y of our Lord, and drink the  
2. Sal - va - tion's giv - er, Christ the on - ly Son, by that his  
3. Vic - tims were of - fered by the Law of old that, in a  
4. Ap - proach ye then with faith - ful hearts sin - cere, and take the  
5. with heav'n - ly bread makes them that hun - ger whole, gives liv - ing

Dm Am F C C C B $\flat$  F C

1. ho - ly blood for you out - poured; saved by that bod - y,  
2. Cross and blood the vic - t'ry won; off - ered was he for  
3. type, cel - es - tial mys - t'ries told; he, ran - som - er from  
4. safe - guard of sal - va - tion here. He that in this world  
5. wa - ters to each thirst - y soul. Al - pha and O - me -

Am Gm F C Am Dm Gm A Gm F

1. hal - lowed by that blood, where - by re - freshed, we of - fer thanks to God.  
2. great - est and for least, him - self the vic - tim and him - self the priest.  
3. death and light from shade, giv - eth his ho - ly grace, his saints to aid.  
4. rules his saints, and shields, to all be - liev - ers life e - ter - nal yields;  
5. ga, to whom shall bow all na - tions at the doom, is with us now.

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