

Veni Creator Spiritus
Come, O Creator Spirit, Come

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1. Come, O Creator Spirit, come,
and make within our hearts your home;
to us your grace eternal give,
who of your breathing move and live.
2. Our senses with your light inflame,
our hearts to heav'nly love reclaim;
our bodies poor infirmity
with strength perpetual fortify.
3. Our earthly foe afar repel,
grant us henceforth in peace to dwell;
and so to us, with you for guide
no ill shall come, no harm betide.
4. May we by you the Father learn,
and know the Son, and you discern,
who are of both; and thus adore
in perfect faith for evermore.

Inspiration: "Veni Creator Spiritus"; attributed to Rabanus Maurus, ca. 776-856.
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