

On this day, the first of days

Melody from Geistreiches Gesangbuch, 1704

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**On this day, the first of days,
God the Father's Name we praise;
Who, creation's Lord and spring
Did the world from darkness bring.**

**On this day the eternal Son
Over death His triumph won;
On this day the Spirit came
With His gifts of living flame.**

**Maker, who didst fashion me
Image of Thyself to be,
Fill me with Thy love divine,
Let my every thought be Thine.**

**Holy Jesus, may I be
Dead and buried here with Thee;
And, by love inflamed, arise
Unto Thee a sacrifice.**

**Thou, who dost all gifts impart,
Shine, sweet Spirit, in my heart;
Best of gifts Thyself bestow;
Make me burn Thy love to know.**

**God, the blessèd Three in One,
Dwell within my heart alone;
Thou dost give Thyself to me;
May I give myself to Thee.**

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