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The sinless one to Jordan came, and in the river shared our stain; God's righteousness he thus fulfilled, and chose the path his Father willed.

Up rising from the waters there, and Father's voice did then declare that Christ, the Son of God, had come to lead his scattered people home.

Above him see the heavenly Dove, the sign of God the Father's love, now by the Holy Spirit shed upon the Son's anointed head. How blest that mission then begun to heal and save a race undone! Straight to the wilderness he goes to wrestle with his people's foes.

O Christ, may we baptized from sin, go forth with you a world to win: grant us the Holy Spirit's power to shield us in temptation's hour.

On you may all your people feed, and know you are the Bread indeed, who gives eternal life to those that with you died, and with you rose.

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