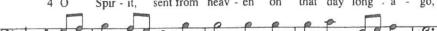
On Pentecost They Gathered

Acts 2:1-24, 32-47

Jane Parker Huber, 1981; rev. 1993

- 1 On Pen-te-cost they gath-ered quite ear-ly in the day,
- 2 The peo-ple all a round them were star-tled and a mazed 3 God pours the Ho-ly Spir it on all who would be lieve,
- 4 O Spir it, sent from heav en on that day long a go,





- band of Christ's dis ci ples to wor ship, sing, and pray.
 to un der-stand their lan guage, as God in Christ they praised.
- on wom-en, men, and chil dren who would God's grace re ceive.
- re kin-dle faith a mong us in all life's ebb and flow.



A might-y wind came blow - ing, filled all the swirl - ing air,
What un - i - ver - sal mes - sage, what great good news was here?
That Spir - it knows no lim - it, be - stow - ing life and power.
O give us hearts to lis - ten and tongues a - flame with praise,





and tongues of fire a - glow-ing in - spired each per - son there.

That Christ, once dead, is ris - en to van - quish all our fear.

The church, formed and re - form - ing, re - sponds in ev - ery hour.

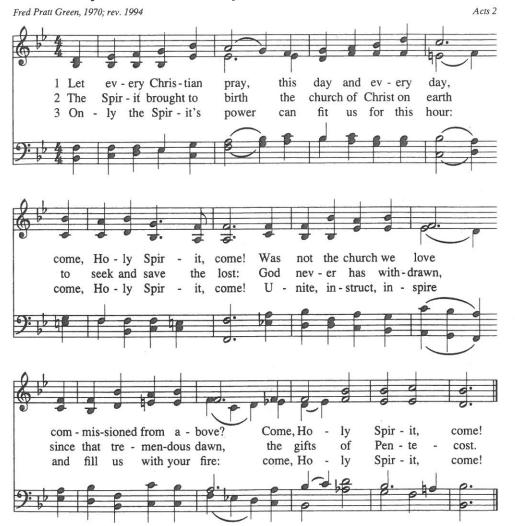
so folk of ev - ery na - tion glad songs of joy shall raise.



Jane Parker Huber explained that she wrote this text in 1981 "to fill a gap in current hymnody," in that "many of the hymns concerning the activity of the Holy Spirit do not mention Pentecost."

Tune: MUNICH 7.6.7.6.D. Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch, Meiningen, 1693 Harm. Felix Mendelssohn, 1847

Let Every Christian Pray



Noted contemporary British hymnwriter Fred Pratt Green retired from the parish ministry in 1969 and only then commenced his prolific output of hymn texts, which can be found in every major hymnal publication of the late twentieth century.

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Tune: LAUDES DOMINI 6.6.6.6.6.6. Joseph Barnby, 1868

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

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George Croly, ordained in the Church of Ireland, was well known in London literary circles and served a poor parish. This hymn is from a collection he compiled for that congregation. Hellespont was the original name for the tune Morecambe.

Tune: MORECAMBE 10.10.10.10. Frederick C. Atkinson, 1870