

MORNING HYMN.*

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SPLENDOR of God ! paternal Beam,
 Evolving ever light from light !
 Fountain from which all glories stream,
 Seen thro' eternal ages bright !
 Great Day illumining the day,
 Pour on us Thy perpetual ray.

Let us invoke with earnest prayer
 The Father God of powerful grace ;
 Pray Him to pardon and to spare :
 Bask in the sheen of mercy's face.
 May He give strength to bear the rood
 And turn all evil into good.

But faith is ours—we have not sight ;
 Yet Thou confirmest what we think.
 Fill mind and heart with constant light—
 Be Christ our food ! be faith our drink !
 The dawn advances on its way ;
 May Christ grow brighter with the day !

Strong Saviour ! Hope of helpless men !
 Bright Son of God incarnated,
 Reach down to us Thy hand again
 And aid us upward. Night is sped—
 Night, with its death-like sleep, is come ;
 Rise, morning star. Shine forth, O sun !

Splendor of God ! paternal Beam ;
 Great Day illumining the day !
 Fountain from which all glories stream,
 Pour on us thy perpetual ray.
 Be faith, and hope, and modesty,
 And love our constant praise to Thee.

* Paraphrased from the *Hymnus ad Matutinum* of Ambrose, circ A.D. 375.

Splendor paternæ gloriæ,
 De luce lucem proferens,
 Lux lucis et fons luminis,
 Diem dies illuminans,

Verusque sol illabere,
 Micans nitore perpeti,
 Tebarque Sancti Spiritus
 Infunde nostris sensibus.