

Prayer Meeting Podcast

Episode 031: Easter Extended Worship Set, and Why I'm a Catholic.

*****SONGS*****

CHRISTIANS, TO THE PASCHAL VICTIM

VICTIMAE PASCHALI
ascribed to WIPO c. 1030

Tr. from The English Hymnal (c) 1906

Christians, to the Paschal victim
Offer your thankful praises!
A lamb the sheep redeemeth;
Christ, who only is sinless,
Reconcileth sinners to the Father
Death and life have contended
In that combat stupendous:
The Prince of life who died, reigns immortal.

Speak, Mary, declaring
What thou sawest wayfaring
"The tomb of Christ who is living,
The glory of Jesus' resurrection;
Bright angels attesting
The shroud and napkin resting.
Yea Christ my hope is arisen:
To Galilee He goes before you."
Christ indeed from death is risen;
Our new life obtaining.
Have mercy, Victor King,
Ever reigning! Amen.

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HE IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN!

Cecil Frances Humphreys Alexander, Joachim Neander

He is risen! He is risen!
Tell it out with joyful voice
He has burst His three days' prison
Let the whole wide earth rejoice
Death is conquered we are free
Christ has won the victory

Come you sad and fearful-hearted
With glad smile and radiant face
Death's long shadows have departed
Gloom with Easter joy replace
Sin's dread sting for us He bore
Died He once to die no more

He is risen! He is risen!
He has opened heaven's gate
We are free from sin's dark prison
Risen to a holier state
And a brighter Easter beam
On our longing eyes shall stream

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WELCOME HAPPY MORNING

Frances Ridley Havergal, John Ellerton
Venantius Honorius Clementianus Fortunatus

"Welcome happy morning!" age to age shall say
Hell today is vanquished, heav'n is won today
Christ once dead is living, God forevermore
Him their true Creator, all His works adore

"Welcome happy morning!" age to age shall say.

Maker and redeemer, life and health of all
God from heav'n beholding, human nature's fall
You the true and only, Son of God above
Died as mortal man to save us by your love

Source of all things living, You came down to die
Plumbed the depths of hell, to raise us up on high
Come then true and faithful, come fulfill Your word
This is Your third morning, rise, O buried Lord

Free the souls long prison'd bound with Satan's chain
All that once had fallen, raise to life again
Show your face in brightness, shine in ev'ry land
As in Eden's garden, when the world began

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HAIL THEE, FESTIVAL DAY

Ralph Vaughan Williams, Venantius Honorius Clementianus Fortunatus

**Hail thee festival day
Blest day to be hallowed forever
Day when our Lord was raised
Breaking the kingdom of death**

All the fair beauty of earth
From the death of the winter arising
Every good gift of the year
Now with its Master returns

Rise from the grave now O Lord
The author of life and creation
Treading the pathway of death
New life You give to us all

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VIVE JESUS, EL SEÑOR

Author Unknown

Vive, Jesus, el Señor. Vive, Jesus, el Señor
Vive, Jesus, el Señor. Vive, Jesus, el Señor

**El vive! El Vive! Vive! Vive!
Vive, Jesus, el Señor**

Jesus, the Lord, is alive! Jesus, the Lord, is alive!
Jesus, the Lord, is alive! Jesus, the Lord, is alive!

**He lives! He lives! Lives! Lives!
Jesus, the Lord, is alive!**

Author Unknown

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WE WORSHIP AND ADORE THEE

Author unknown

We worship and adore Thee
Bowling down before Thee
Songs of praises singing
Hallelujahs ringing

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Amen!

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ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

Christopher Wordsworth, Ludwig van Beethoven

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Hearts to heaven and voices raise
Sing to God a hymn of gladness
Sing to God a hymn of praise
He who on the cross a victim
For the world's salvation bled
Jesus Christ the King of glory
Now is risen from the dead

Alleluia! Christ is risen
Death at last has met defeat
See the ancient powers of evil
In confusion and retreat
Once He died and once was buried
Now He lives forevermore
Jesus Christ the world's Redeemer
Whom we worship and adore

Christ is risen Christ the firstfruits
Of the holy harvest field
Which will all its full abundance
At His second coming yield
Then the golden ears of harvest
Will their heads before Him wave
Ripened by His glorious sunshine
From the furrows of the grave

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glory be to God on high
Alleluia to the Savior
Who has won the victory
Alleluia to the Spirit
Fount of love and sanctity
Alleluia! Alleluia!
To the triune Majesty

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HAEC DIES

Roman Gradual

Haec díes, quam fécit Dóminus:
Excultémus, et laetémur in éa.

*This is the day that was made by the Lord;
Let us rejoice and be delighted in this day.*

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SONG OF THE WEEK

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*****SHOW NOTES*****

- This episode is a special Easter-centric episode, focusing solely on Jesus' victory over the grave.
- It is also the 20th anniversary of my own conversion to the Catholic faith, which took place during the Easter Vigil.
- I share my story as to the personal milestones that led me to decide to be a Roman Catholic, from my introduction to that personal encounter with Jesus Christ, to my years of anti-Catholic tendencies, to my embrace of charismatic prayer, to my serious questioning of Catholic doctrines, to ultimately my surmounting these roadblocks.
- As I share this story, I note my gratitude for all the different people placed in my path, even those who did not share that of the Catholic faith, because all have helped me in my own walk with Jesus.

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