Hymn Lyrics April 21, 2024

#234 “Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain”

1 Come, you faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness!

God has brought forth Israel into joy from sadness,

loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke, Jacob's sons and daughters,

led them with unmoistened foot through the Red Sea waters.

2 Tis the spring of souls today; Christ has burst his prison,

and from three days' sleep in death as a sun has risen.

All the winter of our sins, long and dark, is flying

from the light, to whom we give laud and praise undying.

3 Now the queen of seasons, bright with the day of splendor,

with the royal feast of feasts, comes its joy to render;

comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection

welcomes in unwearied strains Jesus' resurrection!

4 Neither could the gates of death nor the tomb's dark portal,

nor the watchers nor the seal, hold him as a mortal:

but today, among your own, you appear, bestowing

your deep peace, which evermore passes human knowing.

#239 “Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!”

1 Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King!

To all the world glad news we bring: "Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

2 The Lord of life is risen today; death's mighty stone is rolled away;

let all the earth rejoice and say: "Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

3 Praise we in songs of victory that Love, that Life, which cannot die,

and sing with hearts uplifted high: "Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

4 Your name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing today with one accord

the life laid down, the life restored: "Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"