

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Text: Charles Wesley, 1739

Music: *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

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Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, reply, Alleluia!

2. Vain the stone, the watch, the seal, Alleluia!
Christ has burst the gates of hell, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids his rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!

3. Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once He died our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Foll'wing our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

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1. God sent His son, they called Him Jesus.
He came to love, heal, and forgive.
He lived and died to buy my pardon,
An empty grave is there to prove
My Savior lives!

Chorus:

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow,
Because He lives, all fear is gone.
Because I know He holds the future,
And life is worth the living just because He lives!

2. How sweet to hold a newborn baby,
And feel the pride and joy he gives.
But greater still the calm assurance:
This child can face uncertain days
Because He Lives!

(Chorus)

3. And then one day, I'll cross the river,
I'll fight life's final war with pain.
And then, as death gives way to victory,
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives!

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