

Let us now our voices raise

Hymnal 1982 no. 237, Melody: Ave virgo virginum / Gaudeamus pariter


Joseph the Hymnographer (9th cent.),
tr. J. M. Neale (1818-1866)

British spelling

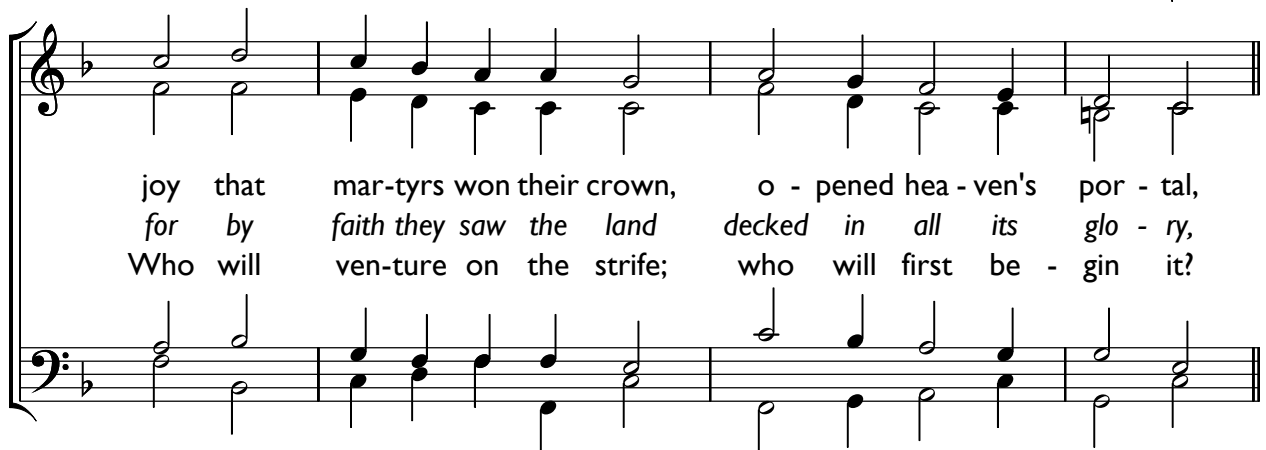
German melody, 1544,
harmony 1904



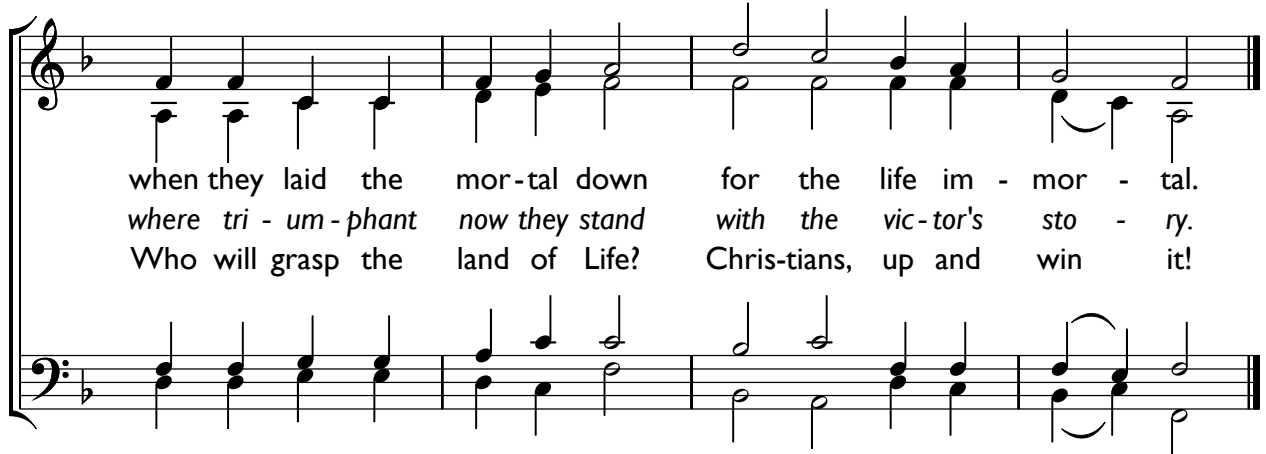
1. Let us now our voic - es raise, wake the day with glad - ness;
2. Nev - er *flinched* they *from the flame,* from the tor - ment nev - er;
3. Up and fol - low, Chris - tians all: press through toil and sor - row;



God him - self to joy and praise turns our hu - man sad - ness;
vain the ty - rant's sharp - est aim, vain each fierce en - deav - our:
turn from fear, and heed the call to a glo - rious mor - row!



joy that mar - tyrs won their crown, o - pened hea - ven's por - tal,
for by *faith they saw the land* decked in all its glo - ry,
Who will ven - ture on the strife; who will first be - gin it?



when they laid the mor - tal down for the life im - mor - tal.
where tri - um - phant now they stand with the vic - tor's sto - ry.
Who will grasp the land of Life? Chris - tians, up and win it!