

When morning gilds the skies, my heart awaking cries, may Jesus Christ be praised: alike at work and prayer to Jesus I repair; may Jesus Christ be praised.

Whene'er the sweet church bell peals over hill and dell, may Jesus Christ be praised: O hark to what it sings, as joyously it rings, may Jesus Christ be praised.

My tongue shall never tire of chanting with the choir, may Jesus Christ be praised: this song of sacred joy, it never seems to cloy, may Jesus Christ be praised.

Does sadness fill my mind? a solace here I find, may Jesus Christ be praised: or fades my earthly bliss? my comfort still is this, may Jesus Christ be praised.

The night becomes as day, when from the heart we say, may Jesus Christ be praised: the powers of darkness fear, when this sweet chant they hear, may Jesus Christ be praised.

Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine, may Jesus Christ be praised: be this the eternal song through ages all along, may Jesus Christ be praised.

Words: German, 19th century, translated by Edward Caswall (1814-1878) Music: Joseph Barnby (1838-1896)