

Claro paschali gaudio

That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

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1. That Eas - ter day with joy was bright; the sun shone out with fair - er light,
2. His ris - en flesh with ra-diance glowed, his wound-ed hands and feet he showed;
3. O Je - sus, King of gen - tle - ness, who with your grace our hearts pos - sess;
4. O Lord of all, with us a - bidde in this our joy - ful East - er - tide;
5. All praise to you, O ris - en Lord, from death to end - less life re - stored;

1. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! when to their long-ing eyes re - stored,
2. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! those scars their sol-emn wit - ness gave
3. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! that we may give you all our days
4. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! from ev - 'ry weap-on death can wield,
5. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! to God the Fa - ther e - qual praise,

1. the glad a - pos - tles saw their Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
2. that Christ was ris - en from the grave. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
3. the will - ing trib - ute of our praise. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
4. your own re-deemed for ev - er shield. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
5. and Spir - it blest, our songs we raise! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

1-5. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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