

## Second Sunday of Easter ~ hymns for the day

### Hymn 1 ~ Ye choirs of new Jerusalem

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem  
your sweetest notes employ,  
the Paschal victory to hymn  
in strains of holy joy.

For Judah's Lion burst his chains  
crushing the serpent's head;  
and cries aloud through death's domains  
to wake the imprisoned dead.

Devouring depths of hell their prey  
at his command restore;  
his ransomed hosts pursue their way  
where Jesus goes before.

Triumphant in His glory now  
to Him all power is given;  
to Him in one communion bow  
all saints in earth and heaven.

While we his soldiers praise our King,  
His mercy we implore,  
within his palace bright to bring  
and keep us evermore.

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All glory to the Father be,  
all glory to the Son,  
all glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,  
while endless ages run. Alleluia! Amen

*Fulbert of Chartres (c.960-1028),  
Robert Campbell (1814-1868)*

### Hymn 2 ~ Jesus lives! Thy terrors now

Jesus lives! thy terrors now  
can, O death, no more appal us;  
Jesus lives! by this we know  
thou, O grave, canst not enthrall us.  
Alleluia.

Jesus lives! henceforth is death  
but the gate of life immortal:  
this shall calm our trembling breath,  
when we pass its gloomy portal.  
Alleluia.

Jesus lives! for us he died;  
then, alone to Jesus living,  
pure in heart may we abide,  
glory to our Saviour giving.  
Alleluia.

Jesus lives! our hearts know well,  
naught from us his love shall sever;  
life nor death nor powers of hell  
tear us from his keeping ever.  
Alleluia.

Jesus lives! to him the throne  
over all the world is given:  
may we go where he is gone,  
rest and reign with him in heaven.  
Alleluia.

*Jesus lebt, mit ihm auch ich  
Christian Fuerchtegott Gellert (1715-1769),  
Frances Elizabeth Cox (1812-1897)*