The Seventh Sunday of Easter ~ hymns for the day

Hymn 1 ~ The head that once was crowned with thorns

The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glory now; a royal diadem adorns the mighty Victor's brow.

The highest place that heaven affords is his, is his by right, the King of kings, and Lord of lords, and heaven's eternal Light;

The joy all of all who dwell above, the joy of all below, to whom he manifests his love and grants his name to know.

To them the cross, with all its shame, with all its grace, is given; their name, an everlasting name; their joy, the joy of heaven.

They suffer with their Lord below, they reign with him above; their profit and their joy to know the mystery of his love.

The cross he bore is life and health, though shame and death to him: his people's hope, his people's wealth, their everlasting theme.

Words: Thomas Kelly (1769-1855)

Tune: ST MAGNUS

Music: Jeremiah Clarke (c.1673-1707)

Hymn 2 ~ All hail the power of Jesu's name

All hail the power of Jesu's name; let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem to crown him, crown him, crown him, crown him, lord of all.

Crown him, ye martyrs of your God, who from his altar call: praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and crown him, crown him, crown him, crown him Lord of all.

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him, crown him, crown him, crown him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget the wormwood and the gall, go spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him, crown him, crown him, crown him Lord of all.

Let every tribe and every tongue to him their hearts enthral, lift high the universal song and crown him, crown him, crown him, crown him Lord of all.

Words: Edward Perronet (1726-1792)

Tune: MILES LANE

Music: William Shrubsole (1759-1806)