

Christ the Lord is risen today

(Tune - Easter Morn)

Lyrics: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

*Tune: from Lyra Davidica, 1708
arranged by Kim Tame*



This famous Easter hymn tune is from "Lyra Davidica", ("The Harp of David", a collection of hymns published in 1708 by John Walsh, John Hare and Peter Randal. They had mostly been translated from German or Latin hymns.

The words are from the pen of Charles Wesley, brother of John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist movement. His influence on modern Christian worship is significant; Charles Wesley wrote more than 6,000 hymns, many of which are still included in the hymn books of many Christian denominations.

Version: Lead sheet; melody with chords

Arranged by: Kim Tame

Difficulty: Easy

Pages (including cover): 2

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Musical score for the hymn 'Christ the Lord is risen today'. The score is written in treble clef, 2/4 time signature, and consists of four staves of music. Chord symbols are placed above the notes. The first staff (measures 1-8) has chords: C, F, C, F, C, G, C. The second staff (measures 9-16) has chords: F, Dm, G7, C, F, C, G7, C. The third staff (measures 17-24) has chords: G, D7, G, C, G7, C, G, D7, G, D7, G. The fourth staff (measures 25-32) has chords: G7, C, F, C, F, C, G7, C. The piece ends with a double bar line.

1. Christ the Lord is risen today;
Hallelujah!
Sons of men and angels say;
Hallelujah!
Raise your joys and triumphs high!
Hallelujah!
Sing, ye heavens, thou earth reply,
Hallelujah!
2. Love's redeeming work is done;
Fought the fight, the battle won;
Vain the stone, the watch, the seal;
Christ hath burst the gates of hell:
3. Lives again our glorious King;
Where, O death is now thy sting?
Once he died our souls to save;
Where's thy victory, boasting grave?
4. Soar we now where Christ hath led;
Following our exalted head;
Made like him, like him we rise;
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.
5. King of Glory, soul of bliss;
Everlasting life is this;
Thee to know, thy power to prove;
Thus to sing and thus to love;