


O Heiland, reiss die Himmel auf

This melody appears numerous times in the Brébeuf Hymnal, with different texts. The editors consider this melody to be appropriate only during Advent. CCWATERSHED.ORG/HYMN

An example of how this melody was used in a Roman Catholic hymnal published in 1910 by a Benedictine monk:

Advent or Coming Time. 1
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Creator alme siderum.

- 1 Bright builder of the heavenly poles,
Eternal light of faithful souls,
Jesus, Redeemer of mankind,
Our humble prayers vouchsafe to mind.
- 2 Who, lest the fraud of hell's black king
Should all men to destruction bring,
Didst, by an act of generous love,
The fainting world's physician prove.
- 3 Who, that Thou mightst our ransom pay
And wash the stains of sin away,
Wouldst from a Virgin's womb proceed
And on the Cross a victim bleed.
- 4 Whose glorious power, Whose saving name
No sooner any voice can frame,
But heaven and earth and hell agree
To honour them with trembling knee.
- 5 Thee, Christ, Who at the latter day
Shalt be our judge, we humbly pray
Such arms of heavenly grace to send
As may Thy Church from foes defend.
- 6 Be glory given and honour done
To God the Father and the Son
And to the Holy Ghost on high,
From age to age eternally.

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