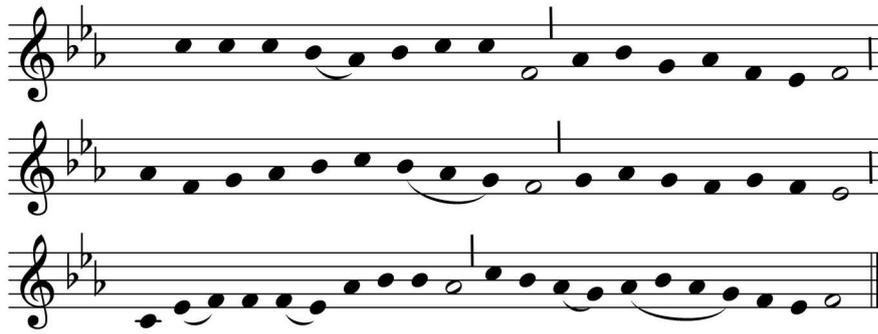


Alleluia, song of gladness Hymnal 1982 no. 122 Melody: Urbs beata Jerusalem 8 7. 8 7. 8 7.



Alleluia, song of gladness,  
voice of joy that cannot die;  
alleluia is the anthem  
ever raised by choirs on high;  
in the house of God abiding  
thus they sing eternally.

Alleluia thou resoundest,  
true Jerusalem and free;  
alleluia, joyful mother,  
all thy children sing with thee;  
but by Babylon's sad waters  
mourning exiles now are we.

Alleluia though we cherish  
and would chant for evermore  
alleluia in our singing,  
let us for a while give o'er,  
as our Savior in his fasting  
pleasures of the world forbore.

Therefore in our hymns we pray thee,  
grant us, blessèd Trinity,  
at the last to keep thine Easter  
with thy faithful saints on high;  
there to thee for ever singing  
alleluia joyfully.

Words: Latin, 11th century, translated by John Mason Neale (1818-1866)  
Music: Mode ii, 13th century, Nevers MS.