##  <br> Let Us Raise Our Voice

A Communion Motet

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## Performance Notes

The piece can be performed with or without organ accompaniment and minus the plainchant sections as desired. If the organ is doubling the voices, swell strings and perhaps soft flutes are recommended as a starting point, building to a full swell sound for the ends of the first two SATB sections. At these points the organ can delay entry on the final chord until the choir has sounded to achieve maximum impact.

The rhythm is somewhat flexible with a speech-like feel for the repeated quarter notes especially for mm. 8-10 and $\mathrm{mm} .20-22$ where singers should allow the words to dictate the rhythm. Plainchant performance should follow the usual practices (see pp. 9-11 for the recommended organ accompaniments).

Cautionary accidents are added in the most chromatic sections for ease of score-reading.

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a tempo
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Christ the Lord, for us has died; Dy-ing he des-troyed our death,


Ris-ing he re-stored our life.
O Lord Je-sus, we a-wait


In su-pré-mæ_ noc-te coe - næ Re - cúmbenscumfrá-tri-bus $\qquad$


a tempo
S.

A.


In the bless-ed Eu-cha-rist
We meet you, our Ri - sen Sa -viour,



## OPTIONAL ORGAN PART

CHRISTOPHER HAMPSON


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