Rejoice, Angelic Choirs, Rejoice! "Mit Freuden zart"

Rejoice, heavenly powers (Exsultet, Latin, 7th cent.)
para. Joel W. Lundeen (1918-1990)

1 Rejoice, angelic choirs, rejoice! Rejoice now, all cre-
2 a - tion! Let trumpets loudly raise their voice to hail the
2 splen - dour! Your darkness now is put to flight; to him due

1 Lord's sal - va - tion; let all Christ's ho - ly peo - ple sing the
2 prais - es ren - der! Be glad, O church! Sing out your songs! Your

1 tri - umph of their mighty King in fes - tive ce - le - bra - tion!
2 tem - ples fill with shout - ing throngs to hail the glo - rious vic - tor!

melody from "Une pastourelle gentille" 1529
adapt. Kirchengesänge, Berlin, 1566
harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)
after Heinrich Reimann (19th cent)
Descant and organ part by Paul Halley
3 Let all who gather round this flame, the sign of Christ's arising,

the deathless night of Christ acclaim, his saving mercy
praising; that all may live by faith in him who conquered - death, despair, and sin to make us his forever.