

# Victimae Paschali Laudes

Ascribed to Wipo of Burgundy (d. 1048)  
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Mode I

Chris-tians, praise the Pas - chal Vic - tim!  
*Vi - cti - mae Pa - scha - li lau - des*

Of - fer thank - ful sac - ri - fice!  
*im - mo - lent Chri - sit - a - ni.*

Christ the Lamb has saved the sheep,  
*A - gnum re - de - mit o - ves:*

Christ the just one paid the price,  
*Chri - stus in - no - cens Pa - tri*

Re - con - cil - ing sin - ners to the Fa - ther.  
*re - con - ci - li - a - vit pec - ca - to - res.*

Death and life fought bit - ter - ly  
*Mors et vi - ta du - el - lo*

For this won-drous vic - to - ry;  
*con - fli - xe - re mi - ran - do:*

The Lord of life who died reigns glo - ri - fied!  
*dux vi - tae mor - tu - us re - gnat vi - vus.*

O Mar - y, come and say  
*Dic no - bis Ma - ri - a,*

what you saw at break of day.  
*quid vi - di - sti in vi - a?*

"The emp - ty tomb of my liv - ing Lord!  
*Se - pul-crum Chri-sti vi - ven - tis,*

I saw Christ Je - sus ri - sen and a - dored!"  
*et glo - ri - am vi - di re - sur - gen - tis.*

Bright an - gels tes - ti - fied,  
*An - ge - li - cos te - stes,*

Shroud and grave clothes side by side!  
*su - da - ri - um, et ve - stes.*

"Yes, Christ my hope rose glo - ri - ous - ly.  
*Sur - re - xit Chri-stus spes me - a:*

He goes be - fore you in - to Gal - li - lee."  
*prae-ce - det su - os in Ga - li - lae - am.*

Share the good news, sing joy - ful - ly:  
*Sci - mus Chri - stum sur - re - xis - se*

His death is vic - to - ry!  
*a mor - tu - is ve - re:*

Lord Je - sus, Vic - tor King, Show us mer - cy.  
*tu no - bis vic - tor Rex, mi - se - re - re.*

A - men.  
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Al - le - lu - ia!  
*Al - le - lu - ia!*