

# When morning gilds the skies

Genevan Psalter, 1551

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The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'When morning gilds the skies'. It is written in 4/4 time and features a treble and bass clef. The score is divided into five systems, each with a measure number (5, 10, 15, 20, 25) above the first measure of the system. The music consists of chords and simple melodic lines in both hands.

When morning gilds the skies  
my heart awaking cries:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
Alike at work and prayer,  
to Jesus I repair:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
Whene'er the sweet church bell  
peals over hill and dell,  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
O hark to what it sings,  
as joyously it rings,  
may Jesus Christ be praised!

My tongue shall never tire  
of chanting with the choir,  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
This song of sacred joy,  
it never seems to cloy,  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
When sleep her balm denies,  
my silent spirit sighs,  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
When evil thoughts molest,  
with this I shield my breast,  
may Jesus Christ be praised!

Does sadness fill my mind?  
A solace here I find,  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
Or fades my earthly bliss?  
My comfort still is this,  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
The night becomes as day  
when from the heart we say:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
The powers of darkness fear  
when this sweet chant they hear:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!

In heaven's eternal bliss  
the loveliest strain is this,  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
Let earth, and sea and sky  
from depth to height reply,  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
Be this, while life is mine,  
my canticle divine:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
Sing this eternal song  
through all the ages long:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!

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