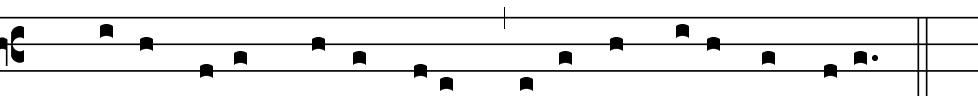


Conditor alme siderum

Hymn.
IV.



Ondítor alme síderum, Ætérrna lux credénti-um,
Bright builder of the heav'nly poles, Eternal light of faithful souls,



Christe, Redémptor ómni-um, Exáudi preces súpplicum.
Jesus, Redeemer of mankind, Our humble prayers vouchsafe to mind.

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| 2. Qui cóndolens intéritu
Mortis períre sáculum,
Salvásti mundum,
lánguidum,
Donans reis remédium. | 2. Who, lest the fraud of hell's black king
Should all men to destruction bring,
Didst, by an act of gen'rous love,
The fainting world's physician prove. |
| 3. Vergénte mundi véspera,
Uti sponsus de thálamo,
Egréssus honestíssima
Vírginís Matris cláusula. | 3. Thou, that Thou mightst our ransom
pay
And wash the stains of sin away,
Didst from a Virgin's womb proceed
And to the Cross a Victim bleed. |
| 4. Cujus fortis potéstiæ
Genu curvántur ómnia,
Caeléstia, terréstria,
Nutu faténtur súbdita. | 4. Thy glorious power, Thy saving name
No sooner any voice can frame,
But heaven and earth and hell agree
To honour them with trembling knee. |
| 5. Te deprecámur hágie,
Ventúre judex sáculi,
Consérva nos in témpore,
Hostis a telo pérfidi. | 5. Thee, Christ, who at the latter day
Shalt be our Judge, we humbly pray
Such arms of heav'nly grace to send
As may Thy Church from foes defend. |
| 6. Laus, honor, virtus, glória
Deo Patri, et Fílio,
Sancto simul Paráclito,
In sáculórum sácula. | 6. Be glory given and honour done
To God the Father, and the Son
And to the Holy Ghost on high,
From age to age eternally. |

Ambrosian, 7th century

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