September Flymns

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Christ, the Fair Glory of the Holy Angels

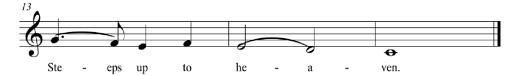
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This triumphant hymn was wrriten by Saint Rabanus Maurus (776-856 A.D.). He was a schoolmaster, abbot, archbishop, and a lifelong scholar of Scripture. Another hymn by him, "Come, Creator Spirit," occasioned life-changing moments for Saints Clare and Teresa of Avila among others. As Archbishop, he was a powerful warrior for the Church Militant--condemning local heresy and penning this hymn asking the archangels and Our Lady for protection. An excellent choice for Michaelmas!

VERSE 1

Christ, the fair glory of the holy angels, Thou who hast made us, Thou who o'er us rulest, grant of thy mercy, unto us thy servants, steps up to heaven.

VERSE 2

Send Thy archangel, Michael, to our succour; peacemaker blessèd, may he banish from us striving and hatred, so that for the peaceful all things may prosper.

VFRSF 3

Send Thine archangel, Gabriel, the mighty; herald of heaven, may he from us mortals, spurn the old serpent, watching o'er the temples where thou art worshiped.

VFRSF 4

Send Thy archangel, Raphael, the restorer, of the misguided ways of those who wander, who at Thy bidding strengthens soul and body with Thine anointing.

VERSE 5

May the blest Mother of our God and Saviour, may the assembly of the saints in glory, may the celestial companies of angels ever assist us.

VFRSF 6

Father almighty, Son and Holy Spirit, God ever blessèd, be Thou our preserver; Thine is the glory which the angels worship veiling their faces.