

O faelix, o fausta dies

Easter motet for SATB chorus, 2 violins, and basso continuo

by

Leopold von Plawenn (ca. 1630-1682)

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O faelix o fausta dies o vere dies laetitiae Laeti hodie gaudeant angeli et coeli spiritus exultent Triumphum canite coelites victori Jesu christo et universus terrarum plaudat orbis alleluja

O happy, O fortunate day! O truly a day of joy!
Today the joyful angels rejoice and the spirits of heaven jump in glee.
Heavenly Ones, sound the triumph to Jesus Christ victorious
And let all the nations of the Earth clap their hands, Alleluia.
(translation: William Fazekas)

General notes on the edition:

1. The manuscript has a neutral key signature, with all sharps being added individually, usually above the note. The key signature has been regularized to 2 sharps. Notes without a sharp are marked with a natural on the staff, unless they clearly meant to be played sharp, in which case a sharp is placed above the note.
2. Bass figures are adjusted to reflect the key signature. Lone flats in the figures are replaced with naturals; when on E, they are purely cautionary. Figures in parentheses are editorial.
3. I have opted not to realize the continuo. It's fairly straightforward, and anyone who is likely to be interested in this work can probably do so at sight with no problem. If someone wants to write a realization and post it with this edition at cpdl.org, that would be fine with me.
4. Metronome markings and proportions are editorial and approximate
5. Original clefs of the vocal parts: soprano, alto, tenor and bass.
6. The original parts may be found at
http://www.musik.uu.se/duben/presentationSource.php?Select_Dnr=1387. They are clear and have no errors that would preclude performing from them. String parts have been appended at the end of the score.

Critical notes

- m. 38/3, b.c., original figure 7–4
- m. 74/3, b.c., original figure # clashes with vl. 1, A
- m. 75/2, b.c., original figure #

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Soprano Alto Tenor Bass

Violin I Violin II Basso

S A T B

Vln. I Vln. II B.c.

6

O fae - lux o fau-sta di - es o ve-re di - es o ve-re di - es

O fae - lux o fau-sta di - es o ve-re di - es

O fae - lux o fau-sta

6 5 7 4 3 6 6 6 6 6

12

S fae - lix o fau-sta di - es o ve-re di - es lae - ti - ti - ae
A ve - re ve-re di - es lae - ti - ti - ae
T
B 8 O fae - lix o fau-sta di - es o ve-re
di - es o ve-re di - es di - es lae - ti - ti - ae O fae - lix o fau-sta
Vln. I
Vln. II
B.c. 5 6 6 5 4 3 6 6

18

S ve - re ve-re ve - re O fae - lix o fau-sta
A ve - re ve-re ve - re O
T 8 di - es lae - ti - ti - ae
B di - es o ve-re di - es lae - ti - ti - ae
Vln. I
Vln. II
B.c. 6 4 (3) #

24

S di - es o ve-re di - es
A fae - fix o fau-sta di - es o ve-re di - es o di - es lae - ti - ti -
T 8 O fae - lux o fau-sta di - es o ve-re di - es lae - ti - ti -
B O fae - lux o fau-sta di - es o ve-re di - es lae - ti - ti - ae O

Vln. I
Vln. II
B.c. 4 (3)

30

S O fae - lux o fau-sta di - es o ve-re di - es o ve-re di - es lae - ti - ti -
A ae O fae - lux o fau-sta di - es o ve-re di - es lae - ti - ti -
T 8 ae ve - re ve - re di - es
B fae - lux o fau-sta di - es o ve-re di - es

Vln. I
Vln. II 6
B.c. 6 5 4 3

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40

36

S ae o ve - re di - es

A ae O fae - lix o fau - sta o ve - re

T 8 O fae - lix o fau-sta

B O fae - lix o fau-sta di - es

Vln. I 36 5 3 6 4 4 3 6 6 6

Vln. II

B.c.

42

S O fae - lix o fau-sta di - es fae - lix o fau - sta o ve - re di -

A di - es O fae - lix o fau - sta o ve - re o ve - re di -

T 8 di - es o ve - re di - es O fae - lix o fau - sta o ve - re di - es

B O fae - lix o fau - sta o ve - re ve - re di - es di -

Vln. I

Vln. II

B.c. 6 6 5 6 6 6 6

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48

S es lae - ti - ti - ae Lae - ti ho-di-e gau-de-ant an-gel-i et coe-li coe-li spi-ri-tus ex - ul - - -

A es lae - ti - ti - ae Lae - ti ho-di-e gau-de-ant

T lae - ti - ti - ae

B es lae - ti - ti - ae

Vln. I es lae - ti - ti - ae

Vln. II es lae - ti - ti - ae

B.c. 5 4 3 6 6 5 6 #

53

S tent Lae - ti ho-di-e gau-de-ant

A an - ge - li et coe - li coe - li spi - ri - tus ex - ul - - - tent

T 8 Lae - ti ho-di-e gau-de-ant an - ge - li et coe - li coe - li spi - ri - tus ex - ul - - -

B Lae - ti ho-di-e gau-de-ant an - ge - li et coe - li coe - li

Vln. I 6 5 6 6 (##) 5 (6) (##)

Vln. II 6 5 6 6 (##) 5 (6) (##)

B.c. 6 5 6 6 (##) 5 (6) (##)

57

S an - ge-li et coe-li coe-li spi - ri-tus ex - ul-tent

A Lae - ti ho-di-e gau-de-ant an - ge-li et coe - li coe-li spi-ri-tus ex - ul - tent

T 8 tent Lae - ti ho-di-e gau-de-ant an - ge-li et coe-li coe-li

B spi-ri-tus ex - ul - tent ex - ul - tent ex - ul - tent

Vln. I

Vln. II

B.c.

61

S Lae - ti ho-di-e gau-de-ant an - ge-li et

A Lae - ti ho - di - e gau-de-ant an - ge-li et coe - li coe - li spi-ri - tus ex - ul - tent

T 8 spi-ri-tus ex - ul-tent ex - ul - tent et coe - li coe - li spi-ri - tus ex - ul - tent

B Lae - ti ho-di-e gau-de-ant gn - li et coe - li coe - li spi-ri - tus ex - ul - tent et

Vln. I

Vln. II

B.c.

65

S coe-li coe-li spi-ri-tus ex - ul - tent ex - ul - tent

A ex - ul - tent ex-ul - tent Tri - um-phum ca - ni-te ca - ni-te

T ex - ul - tent

B coe-li coe-li spi-ri-tus ex - ul - tent ex - ul - tent

Vln. I

Vln. II

B.c.

69

S Tri - um-phum ca - ni-te ca - ni-te coe - li-tes vi -

A coe - li-tes vi - cto - ri vi - cto - ri Je - su chri - sto Je - su chri - - - sto

T 8 Tri - um-phum ca - ni-te ca - ni-te coe - li-tes vi - cto - ri vi - cto - ri Je - su chri - sto

B

Vln. I

Vln. II

B.c.

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S - - - - - Tri - um-phum

A - - - - - Tri - um-phum ca - ni-te ca - ni-te coe - li-tes vi - cto - ri Je - su chri - sto

T - - - - - Tri - um-phum ca - ni-te ca - ni-te coe - li-tes vi -

B - - - - - ca - ni-te ca - ni-te coe - li-tes vi - cto - ri Je - su chri - sto

Vln. I - - - - -

Vln. II - - - - -

B.c. - - - - - 6 7 6 6

82

S ca - ni-te ca - ni-te coe - li-tes vi - cto - ri Je - su chri - sto

A - - - - -

T - - - - - 8 cto - ri vi - cto - ri Je - su chri - sto Tri - um-phum

B - - - - -

Vln. I - - - - -

Vln. II - - - - -

B.c. - - - - - 5 6 6 6 6

85

S Tri-um-phum ca-ni-te ca-ni-te coe - li-tes vi - cto-ri Je-su chri - sto

A Tri-um-phum ca-ni-te ca-ni-te coe - li-tes vi - cto-ri Je-su chri - sto

T 8 ca-ni-te ca - ni-te coe - li-tes vi - cto-ri vi - cto-ri Je-su chri - sto

B cto-ri Je su chri - sto Tri-um-phum ca-ni-te ca-ni-te coe - li-tes

Vln. I

Vln. II

B.c. 7 6 5 6 5 4 3 6 6

93

89

S vi - cto - ri vi - cto-ri Je-su chri - sto et u-ni - ver - sus ter-ra-rum

A Tri-um-phum ca-ni-te ca-ni-te coe - li-tes vi-cto - ri vi - cto-ri Je-su chri - sto

T 8 vi - cto - ri vi - cto-ri Je-su chri - sto et u - ni-ver - sus ter-

B vi - cto - ri vi - cto-ri vi - cto - ri vi - cto-ri Je-su chri - sto et u - ni-ver - sus ter-

Vln. I

Vln. II 6 6 6 5 4 3

B.c.

94

Soprano (S) vocal line:

et u-ni-ver-sus ter-ra-rum u-ni-ver-sus ter-ra-rum ter-ra-rum
ra-rum ter-ra-rum et u-ni-ver-sus ter-ra-rum u-ni-ver-sus ter-ra-rum
ra-rum ter-ra-rum et u-ni-ver-sus ter-ra-rum ter-ra-rum

Alto (A) vocal line:

et u-ni-ver-sus ter-ra-rum u-ni-ver-sus ter-ra-rum plau-

Tenor (T) vocal line:

8 et u-ni-ver-sus ter-ra-rum u-ni-ver-sus ter-ra-rum plau-

Bass (B) vocal line:

ra-rum ter-ra-rum et u-ni-ver-sus ter-ra-rum u-ni-ver-sus ter-ra-rum

Violin I (Vln. I) vocal line:

94 ra-rum ter-ra-rum et u-ni-ver-sus ter-ra-rum ter-ra-rum

Violin II (Vln. II) vocal line:

99 dat plau-dat plau-dat or-bis

Bassoon (B.c.) vocal line:

dat plau-dat plau-dat or-bis

[♩ = ♩. = 45]

99

Soprano (S) vocal line:

dat plau-dat plau-dat or-bis c

Alto (A) vocal line:

dat plau-dat plau-dat or-bis c

Tenor (T) vocal line:

8 plau-dat or-bis plau-dat or-bis c

Bass (B) vocal line:

plau-dat or-bis plau-dat or-bis c

Violin I (Vln. I) vocal line:

99 plau-dat or-bis c

Violin II (Vln. II) vocal line:

5 6 5 4 3 c

Bassoon (B.c.) vocal line:

5 6 5 4 3 c

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105 [♩ = ♩ = 45]

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S A T B Vln. I Vln. II B.c.

plau - dat plau - dat or - bis plau - dat plau - dat or -

plau - dat plau - dat or -

plau - - - dat or -

105

Vln. I Vln. II B.c.

5 6 5 5 6 4 (#3)

[♩ = ♩ = 45] *[♩ = ♩ = 45]*

bis

bis

bis plau - - - dat plau - - -

bis plau - - - dat

III

Vln. I Vln. II B.c.

5

[121] $\text{♩} = \text{♩} = 45$

117

S
A
T
B
Vln. I
Vln. II
B.c.

plau - dat plau - dat or - bis
plau - dat plau - dat or - bis
dat or - bis plau - - - dat or - bis
plau - - - dat or - bis

123

S
A
T
B
Vln. I
Vln. II
B.c.

- - - -
al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu - ja
al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu - ja
al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu - ja
al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu - ja

129

S al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu-ja al-le - lu - ja al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu-ja al - le - lu - ja
A al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu-ja al-le - lu - ja al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu-ja al - le - lu - ja
T 8 lu - ja al-le-lu-ja al-le - lu - ja al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu-ja al - le - lu - ja
B al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu-ja al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu-ja al - le - lu - ja

Vln. I 129

Vln. II

B.c. 4 3 6 5 4 6 6 6 5 #6

135

S al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu-ja al-le -
A al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu-ja al-le -
T 8 ja al-le-lu-ja al-le - lu - ja al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu-ja al - le - lu - ja al-le -
B al-le - lu - ja al-le-lu-ja al - le - lu - ja al-le-lu - ja al-le-lu-ja al - le - lu - ja al-le -
Vln. I 135

Vln. II

B.c. 6 6 5 4 (#)3 5 6 6

141

S lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja
A lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja
T lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja
B - al - le - lu - ja
Vln. I - -
Vln. II - -
B.c. 4 3 5 6 6 5 6 6 5 6 6

141

Vln. I - -
Vln. II - -
B.c. -

146

S - - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja
A - - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja
T le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja
B ja al - le - lu - ja
Vln. I - -
Vln. II - -
B.c. 5 6 6

148

S - - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja
A - - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja
T le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja
B ja al - le - lu - ja
Vln. I - -
Vln. II - -
B.c. 6

151

The musical score consists of seven staves. The top four staves represent the vocal parts: Soprano (S), Alto (A), Tenor (T), and Bass (B). The bottom three staves represent the orchestra: Violin I (Vln. I), Violin II (Vln. II), and Cello/Bassoon (B.c.). The vocal parts sing the phrase "al-le - lu - ja al-le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja". The orchestra provides harmonic support with eighth-note patterns. Measure numbers 151 and 152 are indicated above the staves. Roman numerals 5, 6, 4, 3, 6, 5, 4, 3 are placed below the bassoon staff to indicate specific chords or harmonic progressions.

S
A
T
B
Vln. I
Vln. II
B.c.

al-le - lu - ja al-le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja
al-le - lu - ja al-le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja
al-le - lu - ja al-le - lu - ja al-le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja
ja al-le - lu - ja al-le - lu - ja al-le - lu - ja al - le - lu - ja
5 6 6 4 3 6 5 4 3

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Violin I

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[$\text{d} = 136$]

The sheet music consists of nine staves of musical notation for violin. The key signature is two sharps, and the time signature is common time (indicated by a '3'). The tempo is marked as $\text{d} = 136$. The music begins with a short rest followed by a melodic line. Measures 5 through 16 show a continuous pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes. Measure 16 is boxed. Measures 17 through 22 continue the pattern, with measure 22 also boxed. Measures 28 and 34 show further variations. Measure 39 is boxed, and measure 44 concludes with a final cadence.

5

10

16

17

22

28

34

39

40

44

c

50 [$\bullet.$ = $\text{d} = 45$]

54

59

64 68 3

71

76 77

81 2

87

92 93

99 [$\text{d} = \bullet. = 45$]

105 [$\bullet = \text{d} = 45$] [$\text{d} = \bullet = 45$]

109 [$\bullet = \text{d} = 45$]

115 [$\text{d} = \bullet = 45$]

119 [$\bullet = \text{d} = 45$]

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129 3 [135]

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142 3 [148]

150

155

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Violin II

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[$\text{d} = 136$]

The sheet music consists of nine staves of musical notation for violin. The key signature is two sharps, and the time signature is mostly common time (indicated by '3'). The tempo is marked as $\text{d} = 136$. The music begins with a short silence followed by a series of eighth-note patterns. Measures 5 through 10 show a more continuous rhythmic pattern. Measure 10 contains two '2' markings above the staff, and measure 16 has a '16' marking. Measures 17 through 21 continue the pattern. Measure 21 contains another '2' marking. Measures 27 through 33 show a different rhythmic pattern. Measure 38 contains a '40' marking. The final staff ends with a 'C' indicating a change in key or section.

50 [$\bullet.$ = $\text{d} = 45$] 3

55

59

64

68 3

71

76 77

81

87

92 93

[$\text{d} = \bullet. = 45$]

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109 [$\bullet = \circ = 45$]

115 [$\circ = \bullet = 45$]

121 [$\bullet = \circ = 45$]

125

130 4

135

139 2 2

147

148

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Basso continuo

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[$\text{d} = 136$] 6

6 5 7 4 3 6 6 6 6 6 5 4 3 11 16 17 4 (♯)3 23 4 (♯)3 30 6 6 5 4 3 36 5 3 6 4 4 3 6 6 6 42 6 6 5 6 5 6 6 5 47 6 6 5 4 3 6 6 6 6 50 [$\text{o.} = \text{d} = 45$] 6 6

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52 5 6 # 6 5 6 6 (♯) 5 (6) (♯) 6

58 # # 6 (♯) 5 6 # 6 6 # 6 5 6

64 6 ♭ 6 6 5 7 6 6 7 6 6

70 ♭ 6 7 6 ♭ 5 6 5 7 6 (♯)(6) 6 (♯) 6

76 7 # 6 # 6 5 4 (♯) 3 6 ♭ 6 7 6 6

82 5 6 ♭ 6 6 6 ♭ 6 7 6 ♭ 5 6 5 4 3

88 6 6 6 6 ♭ 6 5 4 3 93

94 ♭ 6 6 6 6 ♭ 6 5 4 3 3

100 5 6 5 4 3 4 3 c

105 [105] [o. = d = 45] [d = o. = 45] 5 6 5 5 6 4 (♯) 3 c

112 [$\bullet = \text{♩} = 45$] [$\text{♩} = \bullet = 45$] 5

118 [121] [$\bullet = \text{♩} = 45$] 6 6

124 5 6 6 5 6 6 5 6 6

129 4 3 6 5 4 (♯) 3 6 6 5 6

135 6 6 5 4 (♯) 3 5 6 6

141 4 3 5 6 6 5 6 6 5 6

147 6 5 6

153 6 4 3 6 5 4 3