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Accidentals above noteheads are editorial. All others present in source.

Brackets above notes denote original ligatures.

Tenor [61.1]: tone higher in source.

Officium Hebdomadae Sanctae...

Milan: Tradatum, 1603

RISM C886

*O magna Christi caritas,
miraque eius bonitas.
Totus manavit sanguine
ut nos lavaret criminem.*

Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Exultemus, et in ipso iucundemur.
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.

Simul in unum cum ergo congregamur:
Ne nos mente dividamur, caveamus.
Cessent iurgia maligna, cessent lites.
Et in medio nostri sit Christus Deus.

Simul quoque cum beatis videamus,
Glorianter vultum tuum, Christe Deus:
Gaudium quod est immensum, atque probum,
Sæcula per infinita sæculorum. Amen.

*O how great is the love of Christ,
how miraculous His goodness,
By his dripping blood
are all our sins washed away.*

Christ's love has gathered us into one.
Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him.
Let us fear, and let us love the living God.
And may we love each other with a sincere heart.

As we are gathered into one body,
Beware, lest we be divided in mind.
Let evil impulses stop, let controversy cease,
And may Christ our God be in our midst.

And may we with the saints also,
See Thy face in glory, O Christ our God:
The joy that is immense and good,
Unto the ages through infinite ages. Amen.

O magna Christi caritas

Serafino CANTONE
(c.1565—c.1627)

The musical score consists of five staves, each representing a vocal part: Cantus, Altus, Quintus, Tenor, and Bassus. The music is in common time (indicated by '3'). The lyrics are written below the notes, corresponding to the vocal parts. The score is on five staves, with the bassus staff at the bottom and the cantus staff at the top.

Cantus: O magna Christi caritas, O magna Christi caritas, O magna Christi caritas,

Altus: O magna Christi caritas, O magna Christi caritas, O magna Christi caritas,

Quintus: O magna Christi caritas, O magna Christi caritas, O magna Christi caritas,

Tenor: O magna Christi caritas, O magna Christi caritas, O magna Christi caritas,

Bassus: O magna Christi caritas, O magna Christi caritas, O magna Christi caritas,

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mi - ra - que e - ius bo - ni - tas. To - tus ma - na - vit
 mi - ra - que e - ius bo - ni - tas. To - tus ma - na - vit
 mi - ra - que e - ius bo - ni - tas. To - tus ma - na - vit
 mi - ra - que e - ius bo - ni - tas. To - tus ma - na -
 mi - ra - que e - ius bo - ni - tas. To - tus ma - na - vit

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san - gui - ne ut nos la - va - ret cri - mi - ne.
 san - gui - ne ut nos la - va - ret cri - mi - ne.
 san - gui - ne ut nos la - va - ret cri - mi - ne.
 -vit san - gui - ne ut nos la - va - ret cri - mi - ne.
 san - gui - ne ut nos la - va - ret cri - mi - ne.

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Con - gre - ga - vit nos, con - gre - ga - vit
 Con - gre - ga - vit nos,

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ga - vit nos in u - num Chri - sti a -
 nos in u - num Chri - sti a -

25

mor,
Chri - sti a - mor.
Ex - ul -
Ex -

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Ex - ul - te - - - mus, et in -
te - - - mus, ex - ul - te - - -

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i - pso iu - cun - de - - - mur.
mus, et in i - pso iu - cun - de - - - mur.

i - pso iu - cun - de - - - mur.

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Ti - me - a - mus, et a - me - mus
Ti - me - a - mus, et a - me - mus De - um

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De - um vi - vum, et a - me - mus De - um
vi - vum, ti - - - me - a - - - mus, et a - me -

- me - a - - - mus, et a - me - mus De - um vi - - -
Ti - - - me - a - - - mus, et a - me -

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8 vi - vum, De - um vi - vum.
8 mus De - um vi - vum.
8 vum, De - um vi - vum. Et ex cor de di li ga - mus
- mus De - um vi - vum. Et _____ ex cor - de di - li -

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8 cor - de di - li - ga - mus nos sin - ce - - ro.
8 Et ex cor - de di - li - ga - mus nos sin - ce - - ro.
8 nos sin - ce - - ro, sin - ce - - ro.
8 ga - - mus nos sin - ce - - ro.

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The image shows three staves of musical notation. The top staff uses a treble clef, the middle staff an alto clef, and the bottom staff a bass clef. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff has a note on the 5th line followed by a rest. The second staff has a note on the 4th line followed by a rest. The third staff has a note on the 5th line followed by a rest. The lyrics for the first staff are "Si - mul in u - num". The lyrics for the second staff are "cum er - go con - gre - ga - - -". The lyrics for the third staff are "Si - mul in u - num cum er - - - go con - - -". The notes are primarily quarter notes, with some eighth and sixteenth notes appearing in the lower staves.

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- gre - ga - mur: Ne____ nos men - te di -

8 - - mur: Ne nos men - te di - vi - da - mur, ne__

8 - gre - ga - mur Ne nos men - te di - vi - da - - - -

SATT

8

Ces - sent iur - gi - a ma - li - gna, iur -

Ces - sent iur - gi - a ma - li - gna, ces - sent iur - gi - a ma - li -

Ces - sent iur - gi - a ma - li -

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Ces - sent iur - gi - a ma - li - gna, ces - sent

- gi - a ma - li - gna, ces - sent li -

- gna, ces - sent li -

- gna, iur - gi - a ma - li - gna,

85

li - tes, ces - sent li - tes. Et in me - di -

8 tes, ces - sent li - tes, ces - sent li - tes. Et in

8 tes, ces - sent li - tes. Et in

8 ces - sent li - tes. Et in me - di -

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O nostro stri sit Christus De - us.

me - di - o no - stri sit Christus De - us.

me - di - o no - stri sit Christus De - us.

o no - stri sit Christus De - us.

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ATB

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quo que cum be a tis vi de a

que cum be a tis vi de a

que cum be a tis vi de a

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SATB

Gau - di - um quod est im - men - - sum, gau -

Gau - di - um, gau - di - um quod

Gau - di - um quod

Gau - di -

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- di - um. quod est im - men - sum, quod
 est im - men - sum, quod
 est im - men - sum, at que pro -
 um, gau - di - um quod est

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est im - men - sum, at que pro - bum,
 est im - men - sum, at que pro - bum,
 bum, im - men - sum, at que pro - bum, Sæ - cu - la per
 im - men - sum, at que pro - bum, Sæ - cu -

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Sæ - cu - la per in - fi - ni - ta sæ - cu - lo - rum.
 Sæ - cu - la per in - fi - ni - ta sæ - cu -
 in - fi - ni - ta sæ - cu - lo - rum. A
 la per in - fi - ni - ta sæ - cu - lo - rum. A - men, a -

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A - - - - men.
 lo - rum, sæ - - - cu - la. A - - - men.
 - - - men, a - - - men.
 - - - men.

O magna Christi caritas...