

Richmond Symphony Chorus

From Beethoven, Symphony No. 9

German Text:

Freude, schöner Götterfunken,
Tochter aus Elysium,
Wir betreten feuertrunken,
Himmlische, dein Heiligtum.
Deine Zauber binden wieder,
Was die Mode streng geteilt;
Alle Menschen werden Brüder,
Wo dein sanfter Flügel weilt.

English Text:

Joy, you beautiful, divine spark,
Daughter from Elysium:
Enflamed with passion, heavenly one,
We enter your sanctuary!
Your magic power re-unites
What custom has sternly divided;
All mortals become as kin
Wherever your gentle wing abides.