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Tell it to the sinners, weeping
over deeds in darkness done,
weary fast and vigil keeping,
brightly breaks their Easter sun;
blood can wash all sins away,
Christ has conquered hell to-day.

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