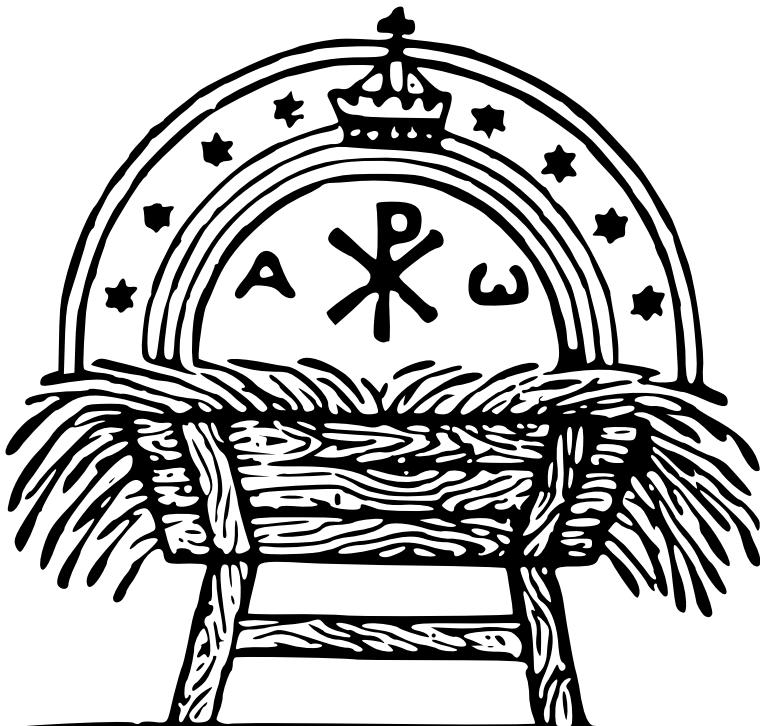


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SONGS FOR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

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I. RORATE CAELI (DROP Down, YE HEAVENS)

Ro - ra - - te cae - li de - su - per,
Drop down ye hea -vens from a - bove,

et nu - bes plu - ant ju - stum.
and let the skies pour down right - eous - ness.

I. Ne i - ra - sca - ris Do - mi-ne, ne ul-tra me-mi - ne-ris in - i -

qui-ta - tis: ec - ce ci - vi-tas San-cti fa-cta est de - ser-ta:

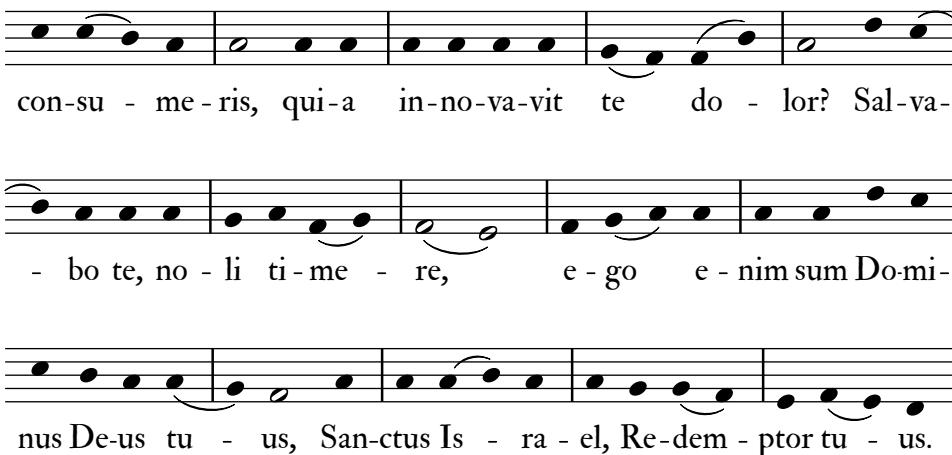
Si - on de-ser - ta fa - cta est: Je-ru - sa-lem de - so-la

ta est: domus san-cti - fi - ca --ti-o - nis tu-ae et glo-ri - ae tu-

- ae, u - bi lau-da - ve - runt te pa - tres no - stri.

II. Con-so - la - mi - ni, con-so - la - mi-ni, po-pu - le me - us,

ci - to ve - ni - et sa - lus tu - a: qua-re moe-ro - re



2. CREATOR OF THE STARS OF NIGHT

1. Cre - a - tor of the stars of night, Thy peo - ple's ev - er-
 2. Our Fa - ther heard the help-less cry Of all cre - a - tion
 3. When earth was near its ev'ning hour, You came in love's re-
 4. At thy great Name, ex - al - ted now, all knees should bend, all
 5. To thee, O ho - ly One, we pray, our judge in that tre-
 6. To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit,

1. la - sting light, Lord Je - sus, Sav - ior of us all,
 2. doomed to die, And saved our lost and guil - ty race
 3. deem - ing pow'r, Like bridegroom from his cham - ber come,
 4. heads should bow: All things in heav'n and earth a - dore,
 5. men - dous day, de - fend us while we dwell be - low
 6. three in one, Praise, hon - or, might and glo - ry be

1. Now hear thy ser - vants when they call.
 2. By heal - ing gifts of heav - n'ly grace.
 3. Forth from a maid - en moth - er's womb.
 4. and praise thee, King for - ev - er more.
 5. as - saul - ted by the dead - ly foe.
 6. from age to age e - ter - nal - ly.

3. O COME, O COME EMMANUEL



1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el,
2. O come, Thou Wis - dom from on high,
3. O come, O come, Thou Lord of might,
4. O come, Thou Branch of Jes - se's tree,
5. O come, Thou Key of Da - vid, come,
6. O come, Thou Day-spring from on high,
7. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind,



1. And ran - some cap - tive Is - ra - el,
2. Who or - d'rest all things might - i - ly;
3. Who to Thy tribues on Si - nai's height
4. Free them from Sa - tan's tyr - an - ny
5. And o - pen wide our heav'n - ly home;
6. And cheer us by Thy draw - ing nigh;
7. In one the hearts of all man - kind;



1. Who mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here
2. To us the path of knowl - edge show,
3. In an - cient times didst give the Law
4. That trust Thy might - y pow'r save,
5. Make safe the way that leads on high,
6. Di - sperse the gloo - my clouds of night,
7. Bid Thou our sad di - vi - sions cease,

1. Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 2. And teach us in her ways to go.
 3. In cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.
 4. And give them vic - try o'er the grave.
 5. And close the path to mis - er - y.
 6. And death's dark shadows put to flight.
 7. And be Thy - self our King of Peace.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emman - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!
Gau-de! Gau-de! Em-man - u - el Nas - ce - tur pro te Is - ra - el!

4. THE ADVENT OF OUR KING

1. The ad - vent of our King Our thoughts must now em - ploy
 2. The co - e - ter - nal Son A maid - en's off-spring see;
 3. In glo - ry from his throne A - gain will Christ de - scend,
 4. Our joy - ful prais-es sing To Christ, who set us free;

Then let us meet him on the road With songs of ho - ly joy.
 A servant's form Christ put-teth on, To set his peo - ple free.
 And summon all who are his own To joys that nev - er end.
 Like trib-ute to the Fa-ther bring, And Ho - ly Ghost, to thee.

S. PEOPLE, LOOK EAST!



1. Peo - ple, look East! The time is near of the
2. Fur - rows, be glad, though earth is bare, One more
3. Birds, though you long have ceased to build, guard the
4. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim One more
5. An - gels, an-nounce with shouts of mirth Him who



crown - ing of the year. Make your house
seed is plant - ed there. Give up your
nest that must be filled. E - ven the
light the bowl shall brim. shin - ing be -
brings new life to earth. Set ev - 'ry



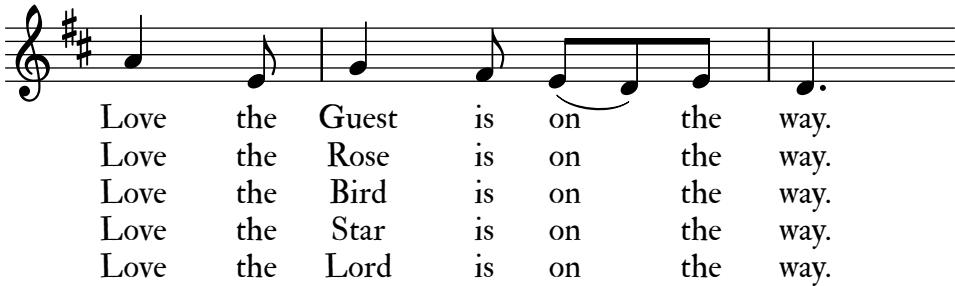
fair as you are a - ble, Trim the
strength the seed to nour - ish, That in
hour when wings are fro - zen He for
yong the fros - ty weath - er, Bright as
peak and vel - ley hum - ming With the



hearth and set the ta - ble.
course the flow'r may flour - ish.
fledg - ling - time has cho - sen.
sun and moon to - geth - er.
word, 'The Lord is com - ing.'



Peo - ple look East, and sing to - day:



6. GABRIEL'S MESSAGE



1. The an - gel Ga - bri - el from heav - en came,
2. For now a bless-ed moth-er thou shalt be,
3. Then gen - tle Mar - y meek-ly bowed her head;
4. Of her, Em-man - u - el, the Christ, was born



His wings as drift-ed snow, his eyes as flame:
All gen - er - a - tions laud and hon - or thee;
To me be as it ples-eth God, she said.
In Beth - le - hem all on a Christ - mas morn,



All hail to thee, O low-ly maid-en Mar - y,
Thy son shall be Em - man-u - el, by seers fore - told,
My soul shall laud and mag-ni - fy God's ho - ly name.
And Christtian folk throughout the world will ev - er say:



Most highly favored la - dy. Glo - ri - a!

7. PREPARE THE WAY, O ZION



1. Pre - pare the way, O Zion, your Christ is drawing near!
2. He brings God's rule, O Zion; he comes from heaven above.
3. Fling wide your gates, O Zion; your Sav - ior's rule embrace.

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Let ev - 'ry hill and valley a lev - el way appear.
His rule is peace and freedom, and justice, truth, and love.
His tid-ings of sal - vation pro-claim in ev'ry place.



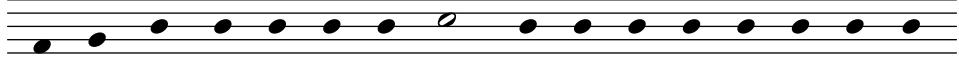
Greet One who comes in glo - ry, fore-told in sac-red sto - ry.
Lift high your praise re - sounding, for grace and joy a - bound-ing.
All lands will bow be - fore him, their voi - ces will a - dore him.

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Oh blest is Christ that came in God's most ho - ly name.

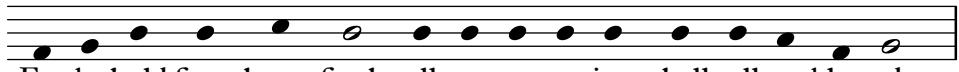
8. MARY'S MAGNIFICAT



My soul doth mag-ni - fy the Lord and my spir - it hath rejoiced in



God my Saviour. For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.



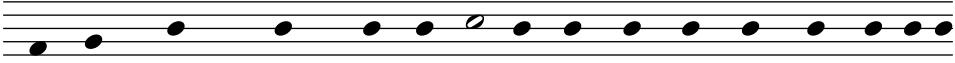
For be-hold from henceforth all gen-er - a-tions shall call me blessed.



For he that is mighty hath mag-ni-fied me and ho - ly is His Name.



And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all ge-ne-ra-tions.



He hath showed strength with his arm he hath scattered the proud in the i-



magi-nation of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seat



and hath ex - al - ted the humble and meek. He hath filled the hun - gry



with good things and the rich he hath sent empty a way. He remembering



his mer-cy hath holpen his ser-vant Is - rael As he promised to our



fore - fa - thers, Ab - ra - ham and his seed, for - e - ver.

9. COME, THOU LONG-EXPECTED JESUS

A musical score in G clef, 3/4 time, featuring a single melodic line. The notes are primarily quarter notes and eighth notes, with some sixteenth-note patterns. The melody consists of two stanzas of lyrics.

1. Come, Thou long ex - pect - ed Je - sus, Born to set Thy
2. Born thy peo - ple to de - li - ver, born a child and

A musical score in G clef, 3/4 time, featuring a single melodic line. The notes are primarily quarter notes and eighth notes, with some sixteenth-note patterns. The melody continues the third stanza of lyrics.

7
peo - ple free; From our fears and sins re - lease us; Let us
y - et a King, born to reign in us for - ev - er, now

A musical score in G clef, 3/4 time, featuring a single melodic line. The notes are primarily quarter notes and eighth notes, with some sixteenth-note patterns. The melody continues the fourth stanza of lyrics.

14
find our rest in Thee. Is - rael's strength and con-so - la - tion,
thy gra - cious king-dom bring. By thine own e - ter - nal spir -

A musical score in G clef, 3/4 time, featuring a single melodic line. The notes are primarily quarter notes and eighth notes, with some sixteenth-note patterns. The melody continues the fifth stanza of lyrics.

21
Hope of all the earth Thou art, Dear de - sire of
it rule in all our hearts al - one; by thine all

A musical score in G clef, 3/4 time, featuring a single melodic line. The notes are primarily quarter notes and eighth notes, with some sixteenth-note patterns. The melody continues the sixth stanza of lyrics.

27
ev - 'ry na - tion, Joy of ev - 'ry long-ing heart.
suf - fic - ient merit, raise us to thy glor-ious throne.

10. GAUDETE (CHRISTUS EST NATUS)

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Gau - de - te! Gau-de - te! Christus est na - tus ex
Be joy - ful! Sing with joy! Born is the Sa - vior from

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Ma - ri - a vir - gi - ne, gau - de - te!
the Vir - gin Ma - ry's womb: be joy - ful!

1. At this time of ho - ly grace,
2. God is made a man to - day;
3. Fa-stened was E - zekiel's gate,
4. Therefore let us all re - joice,

For which we were year - ning,
Na - ture lies in won - der.
Yet he en-tered through it,
Sing - ing to ac - claim Him.

- I. Tem-pus ad-est gra-ti - ae,
II. De - us ho-mo fac-tus est,
III. E - ze - cae-lis por - ta
IV. Er - go no-stra con-ti - o

hoc quod op - ta - ba - mus,
na - tu - ra mi - ran - te;
clau - sa per tran - si - tur;
psal - lat iam in lus - tro;

In de - vo - tion let us sing,
Christ the King re-news the world
So the light the world has found,
Here we greet and bless the Lord,

Hymns of joy re - tur - ning.
That was put a - sun - der.
Bring-ing mer - cy to it.
And our King we name Him.

car - mi - na lae - ti - ti - ae,
mun-dus re - no - va - tus est
un - de lux est or - - ta,
Be - ne - di - cat Do - mi - no:

de - vo - te red - da - mus.
a Chri-sto reg-nan - te.
sa - lus in - ve - ni - tur.
Sa - lus Re - gi nos - tro.

II. O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL (ADESTE FIDELIS)



1. O come, all ye faith - ful, Joy - ful and tri - umphant,
 2. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
 3. Yea, Lord we greet thee, born this hap-py mor - ning,
 I. A - des - te, fi - del - es, Lae - ti tri-um-phan-tes,
 II. Can - tet nunc hym - nos Cho-rus ang-el - or - um;
 III. Er - go qui na - tus di - e ho-di - er - na



O come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem.
 sing, all ye ci - ti - zens of heaven a - bove.
 Je - sus to Thee be all glo - ry giv'n.
 Ven - i - te, ven - i - te in Beth - le - hem.
 Can - tet nunc au - la cae - les - ti - um:
 Ie - su ti - bi sit glo - ri - a



Come and be - hold him Born the king of an - gels.
 Glo - ry to Go - d, glo - ry in the high - est.
 Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing!
 Na - tum vi - de - te Reg-em ang - el - or - um.
 'Glo - ri - a, Glo - ria In ex - cel - sis Deo.'
 Pa - tris ae - ter - ni Ver-bum ca - ro fact - um



O come, let us ad - ore Him, O come, let us ad - ore Him,
 Ven - i - te a-dor - e - mus, Ven - i - te a-dor - e - mus,



O come, let us ad - ore Him, Christ, the Lord! A - men.
 Ven - i - te a-dor - e - mus, Do - mi - num.

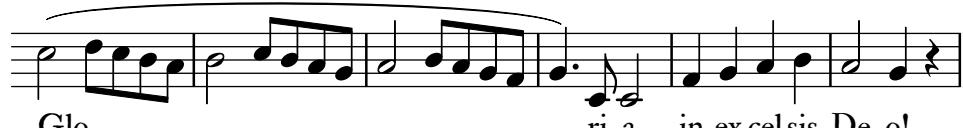
12. ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH



1. An - gels we have heard on high, sweet - ly sing-ing o'er the plains,
2. Shepherds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?
3. Come to Beth-le - hem and see Him whose birth the an - gels sing;
4. See him in a man-ger laid whom the choirs of an - gels praise;



and the mountains in re - ply echo - i - ing their joy - ous strains.
Say what may the ti - dings be, which in - spire your heav'nly song?
Come, a - dore on bend-ed knee Christ the Lord, the newborn King.
Ma - ry, Jo - seph, lend your aid, while our hearts in love we raise.

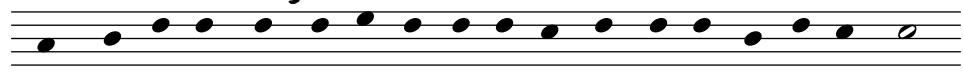


Glo - - - - - ri-a in ex-celsis De-o!



Glo - - - - - ri-a in excelsis De - o!

13. CANTICLE OF SYMEON



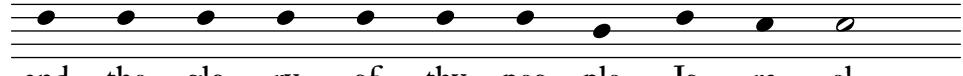
Lord now let-test thou thy servant depart in peace ac-cording to thy word;



For mine eyes have seen thy sal - va - tion which thou has pre -



pared before the face of all people; To be a light to lighten the Gentiles



and the glo - ry of thy peo - ple Is - ra - el.

14. SILENT NIGHT

1. Si - lent night, Ho - ly night, All is calm,
 2. Si - lent night, Ho - ly night, Shep-herds quake
 3. Si - lent night, Ho - ly night, Son of God,

All is bright Round yon Vir - gin Moth-er and Child.
 at the sight; Glo - ries stream from heav - en a - far.
 love's pure light Ra - diant beams from thy ho-ly face,

Ho - ly In-fant, so ten-der and mild, Sleep in heav-en-ly
 Heav'n-ly ho - sts sing Al - le - lu - ia; Christ, the Sav-ior, is
 With the dawn of re - de - em-ing grace, Je - sus, Lord, at thy

peace, Sleep in heav - en-ly peace.
 born, Christ, the Sav - ior, is born!
 birth, Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth!

15. JOY TO THE WORLD

1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come: let earth rec - ceive
 2. Joy to the world! The Sav - ior reigns: let men their songs
 3. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the na -

her King! Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him room,
 em - ploy! While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains,
 tions prove the glo - ries of his righteous - ness,

and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture sing,
Re - peat the sounding joy, re - peat the sounding joy,
and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his love,

and heav'n and heav'n and na - ture sing.
re - peat, re - peat, the sound - ing joy!
and won - ders, won - ders of his love!

16. GOOD CHRISTIAN MEN, REJOICE

1. Good Christian men, re - joice with heart and soul and voice,
2. Good Christian men, re - joice with heart and soul and voice,
3. Good Christian men, re - joice with heart and soul and voice,

Give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to-day!
Now ye hear of end-less bliss: Je - sus Christ was born for this!
Now ye need not fear the grave: Je - sus Christ was born to save!

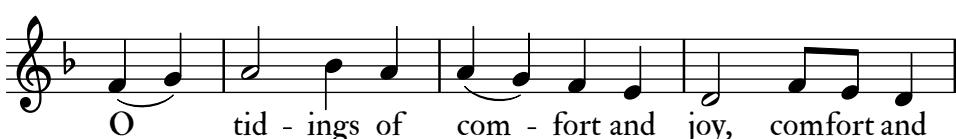
Ox and ass be - fore him bow, and he is in the manger now.
He has oped the heav'ly door, and man is blessed ev - er-more.
Calls you one and calls you all to gain his ev - er - last-ing hall.

- 13 Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

17. GOD REST YE MERRY GENTLEMEN



2. In Beth - le - hem in Jew - ry this bless-ed Babe was
 3. From God our heav'n-ly Fa - ther a bless-ed an - gel
 4. The shepherds at those tid - ings re - joic - ed much in
 5. Now to the Lord sing prais - es, all you with-in this





18. HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING

1. Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, 'Glo - ry to the
 2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored; Christ, the ev - er-
 3. Hail, the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail, the Sun of
 + new-born King;' Peace on earth and mer - cy mild,
 last - ing Lord; Late in time be - hold him come,
 Righteous - ness! Light and life to all he brings,
 7 God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled! Joy - ful, all ye
 Offspring of the Vir-gin's womb. Veiled in flesh the
 10 Ris'n with heal - ing in his wings. Mild he lays his
 na-tions rise, Join the triumph of the skies, With an-gele - ic
 Godhead see; Hail th'in-car-nate De - i - ty; Pleased as man with
 14 glo - ry by, Born that man no more may die, Born to raise the
 hosts pro-claim, 'Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!'
 man to dwell; Je - sus, our Em-man - u - el!
 sons of earth, Born to give them sec - ond birth!
 17 Hark! The her-ald an-gels sing, 'Glo-ry to the newborn King!'

19. O HOLY NIGHT



1. O ho - ly night, the stars are brightly shi - ning; it is the
 2. Led by the light of faith ser - ene - ly beam-ing, with glowing
 3. Tru - ly He taught us to love one a - no - ther; His law is



night of the dear Sav - ior's birth. Long lay the
 hearts by His cra - dle we stand. So led by
 love and His go - spel is peace. Chains shall He



world in sin and er - ror pi - ning, till He ap -
 light of a star sweet - ly gleam - ing, there came the
 break, for the slave is our bro - ther, and in His



peared and the soul felt its worth. A thrill of hope, the
 wise men from Or - i - ent land. The King of kings lay
 name all op-press-ion shall cease. Sweet hymns of joy in



wea - ry world re - joi - ces, for yon - der breaks a
 thus in low - ly man - ger; in all our tri - als
 grate - ful cho - rus raise we, let all with - in us



new and glorious morn! Fall on your knees! O
 born to be our friend. He knows our need, to our
 praise His ho - ly name. Christ is the Lord! O

15

hear the an - gel voi - ces! O night _____ div-
weak - ness is no stran - ger. Be - hold _____ your
praise His name for - ev - er! His pow'r _____ and

18

ine! O night when Christ was born! O
King; be - fore Him low - ly bend! Be -
glo - ry ev - er - more pro - claim! His

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night_ div - ine! O night, O night div - ine!
hold_ your King; be - fore Him low - ly bend!
pow'r_ and glo - ry ev - er - more pro-claim!

