

AN ANTHEM FOR CHRISTMAS DAY

LUKE II.

William Knapp (1698-1768)

Be - hold, be - hold, I
Be - hold, be - hold, I bring you glad Tid-ings,

bring you, I bring you glad Tid-ings, Tidings of great Joy, which shall be to all Peo-ple,

glad
glad Tidings, glad Tidings, glad Tid-ings, glad Tid-ings, glad Tidings of great Joy, which shall
glad

1. 2. for un-to you, un-to you is born this Day
To Coda
be to all People; People; for un-to you, un-to you is born this Day, a Saviour, a
for un-to you is born this Day,

1. 2. D.S.
Saviour, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord, a Sav-iour, which is Christ the Lord, Lord,

32 And this shall be a Sign un - to you. Ye shall find the Babe wrapt in

36 swad - ling Cloaths, and in a Man-ger laid. laid.
and sud-den-ly ap-pear'd the

40 Heav'n - ly Host, thus prais - - ing God, and say - ing,

44 "Glo-ry to God in the high-est, Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on Earth Peace,

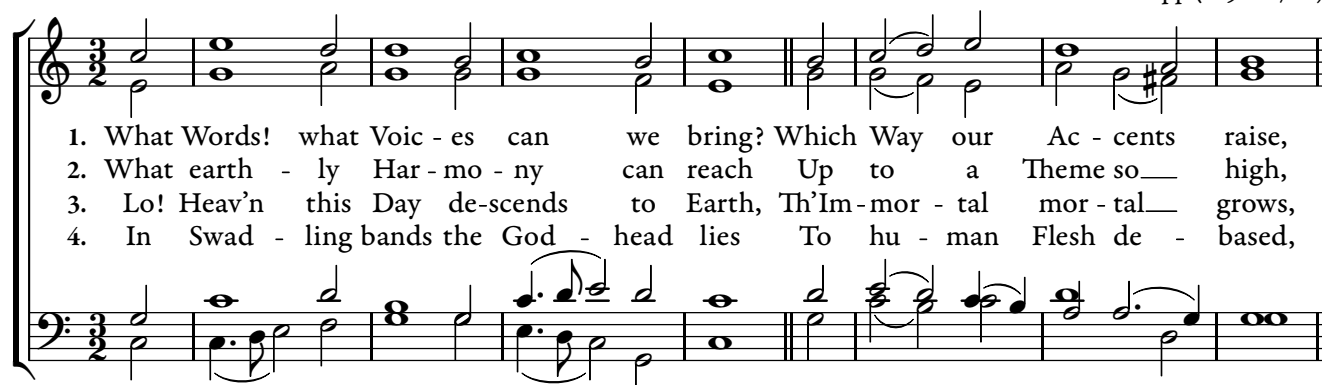
49 Peace, good Will to - wards Men. Peace, good Will to - wards Men." Al-le-lu-ia,

56 Al-le - lu-ia, Al - le-lu-ia, Al - le - lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le - lu-ia, Al - le-lu-ia, Al - le - lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia,

64 Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu - ia, Al-le-lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

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1. What Words! what Voic - es can we bring? Which Way our Ac - cents raise,
 2. What earth - ly Har - mo - ny can reach Up to a Theme so__ high,
 3. Lo! Heav'n this Day de-scends to Earth, Th'Im - mor - tal mor - tal__ grows,
 4. In Swad - ling bands the God - head lies To hu - man Flesh de - based,



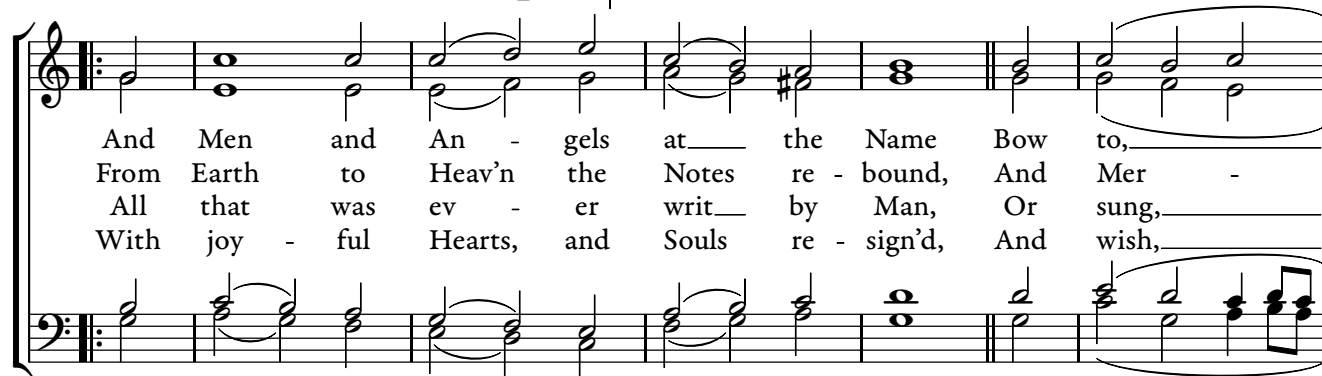
To wel - come the__ mis - te - rious King. And sing,
 When An - gels ne'er__ cou'd soar__ that Pitch, Who dwell,
 Made Man by this__ stu - pen - dious Birth To quell,
 That we, His dear - ly ran - som'd Prize, Might be,



— and sing, and sing a Sav - iour's Praise.
 — who dwell, who dwell a - bove the Sky?
 — to quell, to quell our dead - ly Foes.
 — might be, might be to Glo - ry rais'd.



5. Long let the u - ni - ver - sal Frame The great Re - deem-er__ sing,
 6. Re-demp - tion be the gen - 'ral Sound, This Day no Grief ap - pear,
 7. Oh! 'tis too lit - tle all we can For this un - bound-ed__ Love,
 8. But tho' we can't fit Lan - guage find, We Praise, Be - lieve, A - dore!



And Men and An - gels at__ the Name Bow to,
 From Earth to Heav'n the Notes re - bound, And Mer -
 All that was ev - er writ__ by Man, Or sung,
 With joy - ful Hearts, and Souls re - sign'd, And wish,

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— bow to, — bow to — the mys - tic King.
 — cy, Mer - cy, Mer - cy smiled to hear.
 — or sung, — or sung in Hymns a - bove.
 — and wish, — and wish we could do more!

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1. Hark! hear you not a cheer - ful, cheer - ful Noise, which makes the
 2. So loud they sung, that down to, down to Earth, in - no - cent
 3. Their Prince, their God, like one of, one of those, is made a
 1. Hark! hear you not a cheer - ful Noise,

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Heav - ens ring with Joys. See where light Stars bright An - gels,
 Chil - dren heard their Mirth; And sung with them what none could,
 Child, and wrapt in Cloaths; All this in Time was ful - ly,
 See where light Stars bright

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An - gels fly, a Thou - sand Heav'n - ly Ech - oes cry.
 none could say, for Joy their Prince was born that Day.
 ful - ly done, we have a Sav - iour, God, the Son.

A CHRISTMAS CARROL

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1. A Vir-gin most pure, the Pro-phet fore - told, Should bring forth a
 2. Through Beth-le - hem Ci - ty, in Ju - ry it was, That Jo - seph and
 3. But Ma-ry's full Time be - ing come as we find, She brought forth her

Sav - iour which now we be - hold, To be our Re-deem - er from Death, Hell, and
 Ma - ry to - geth - er did pass; And for to be Tax - ed with Ma - ry Straight-
 First-born to save all Man-kind; The Inn be - ing full; for this Heav - en - ly

Sin, Which A - dam's Trans - gres - sion in - vol - ved us in.
 ways, Old Cæ - sar com - mand - ed, he quick - ly o - beys.
 Guest, No place there was found where to lay him to rest.

Then let us be Mer-ry, cast Sor-row a - way, Our Sav-iour Christ Je-sus was born on this Day.

4. But Ma - ry, blest Ma-ry, so meek and so mild, Soon wrapt up in Swad - lings
 5. To teach us Hu - mil - i - ty, all this was done, Then learn we from hence haugh-
 6. Then pres - ent - ly af - ter the Shep - herds did spy, Vast Num - bers of An - gels

this Heav - en - ly Child; Con - tent - ed, she laid him where Ox - en
 ty Pride for to shun; A Man - ger's his Cra - dle, who came from
 to stand in the Sky; So mer - ri - ly Talk - ing, so sweet they

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did feed, The great God of Na - ture ap - prov'd of the Deed.
A - bove, The great God of Mer - cy, of Peace, and of Love.
did Sing, All Glo - ry and Praise to our Heav - en - ly King.

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Then let us be Merry, cast Sorrow away, Our Sav-iour Christ Jesus was born on this Day.

A CARROL

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1. Ho-san-na to the high-est Joy_____ be - tide, th'Heav'nly Bridegroom, and his
2. Be ravish'd Earth to see this Con - tract driv'n, Twixt sin - ful_ Man and rec-
3. All Glo-ry be to God, to Man_____good Will, God sent his Son, his Promise

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Ho - ly Bride. Let Heav'n a - bove be fill'd with Songs, let Earth tri - umph be -
on ciled Heav'n; Dis-mount you Choirs of An - gels come, With Men your Joys div-
to ful - fill;— Let all Man-kind be fill'd with Mirth, Their joy - ful Ac - cents

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low, For ev - er si - lent be_ those Tongues, that can_ be si - lent_ now.
ide; Heav'n nev - er show'd so sweet a Groom, Nor Earth_ so fair a_ Bride.
raise, And join with An - gels at_ his Birth, To sing_ a Sav-iour's_ Praise.

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1. Re-joyce, re-joyce, _____ ye Mor-tals all rejoice, And pierce the Sky with a me-lo-dious
 2. Shall An-gels sing, _____ and shall Men si-lent be; Nor im-i-tate their Heav'nly Har-mo-
 3. Glo-ry to God, _____ and Joy to all a-bove, The Earth is crown'd with Plen-ty, Men with

Voice. No Song so sweet, no Notes too high to sing. The great and match-less Good-ness
 ny? Rouse up my Soul, de-clare that on this Morn, Un-to Man-kind on Earth, is
 Love; Thus sung the heav'n-ly Host, in bright Ar-ray, Good Will to Men, the Prince of

of our _____ heav'n-ly King.
 a Mes-si-ah born. O how can Men for-bear to sing, when Earth with Angels
 Peace is _____ born this Day.

Notes, _____
 Notes, _____ Notes, _____ Notes _____ 3 3 do ring.
 Notes _____

AN HYMN TO BE SUNG BETWEEN THE EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

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Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord God, All Things de-clare thy Ma-jes-

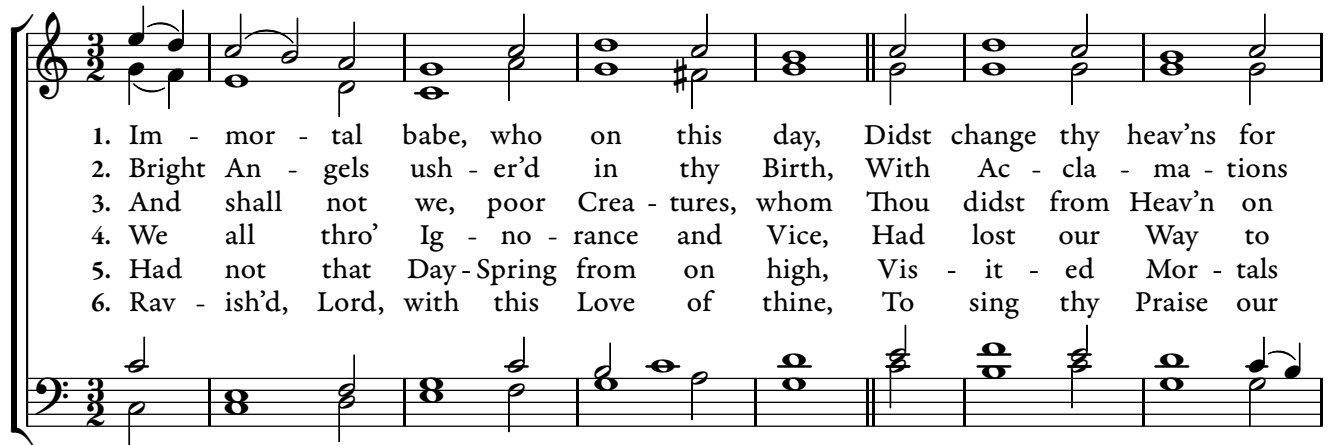
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ty, An-gels and Men still cry a - loud, Glo - ry to Thee, O God, most high.

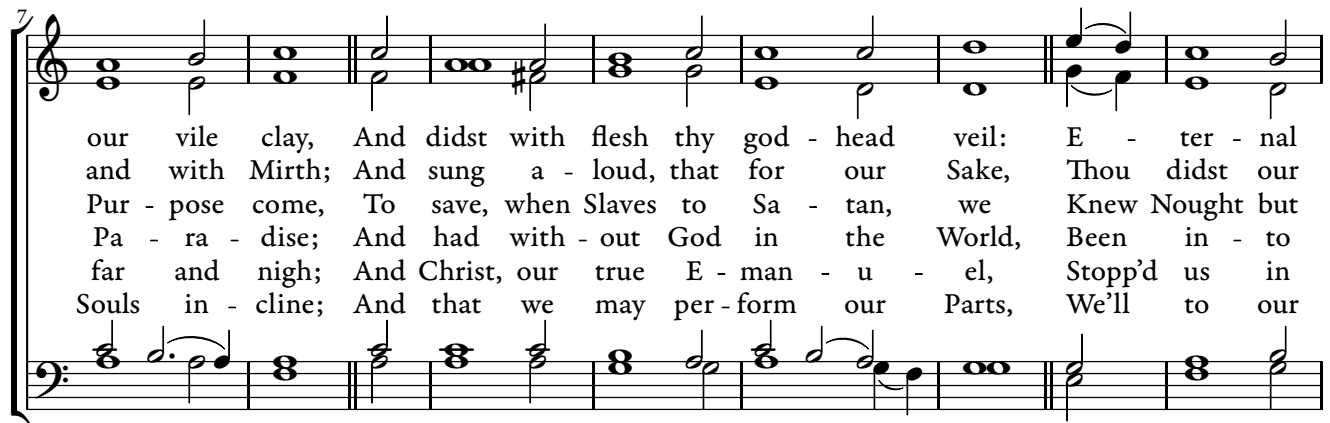
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1. Im - mor - tal babe, who on this day, Didst change thy heav'ns for
 2. Bright An - gels ush - er'd in thy Birth, With Ac - cla - ma - tions
 3. And shall not we, poor Crea - tures, whom Thou didst from Heav'n on
 4. We all thro' Ig - no - rance and Vice, Had lost our Way to
 5. Had not that Day - Spring from on high, Vis - it - ed Mor - tals
 6. Rav - ish'd, Lord, with this Love of thine, To sing thy Praise our

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our vile clay, And didst with flesh thy god - head veil: E - ter - nal
 and with Mirth; And sung a - loud, that for our Sake, Thou didst our
 Pur - pose come, To save, when Slaves to Sa - tan, we Knew Nought but
 Pa - ra - dise; And had with - out God in the World, Been in - to
 far and nigh; And Christ, our true E - man - u - el, Stopp'd us in
 Souls in - cline; And that we may per - form our Parts, We'll to our

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son of God all hail! E - ter - nal son of God all hail!
 hu - man Na - ture take, Thou didst our hu - man Na - ture take.
 Sin and Mis - e - ry, Knew Nought but Sin and Mis - e - ry.
 out - er Dark - ness hurl'd, Been in - to out - er Dark - ness hurl'd.
 our Ca - reer to Hell, Stopp'd us in our Ca - reer to Hell.
 Voi - ces tune our Hearts, We'll to our Voi - ces tune our Hearts.

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Hark, Hark, hark, hark, hark, hark, what News the An-gels bring, Glad Tid-ings, glad

Tid-ings, glad Tid-ings of a New born King, King. Born of a Maid, a Vir-gin pure,

born with-out Sin, from Guilt se-cure, born with-out Sin, from Guilt se - cure.