

# A COLLECTION *of* CHRISTMAS CAROLS

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# PREFACE

Several years ago, I found an old collection of Christmas carols on the Internet, originally published in the late 1800s, called *Christmas Carols, New and Old*, the music edited by Sir John Stainer and the words by Henrey Ramsden Bramley. Just before Christmas 2010, I had this collection printed as a book through Lulu.com, and I enjoyed some of its more obscure carols enough that I thought I might combine them into a single volume containing Christmas carols from several different sources. So in early 2011, I set about creating such a book by simply taking pages from several old collections of Christmas music and combining them into a single volume. I thought briefly of taking the trouble of making new engravings of all the music, but it seemed an enormous task: though I had used a program called Lilypond to engrave music in the past, the amount of music I wanted to include would take many days of transcribing and proofreading, and it did not seem necessary at the time.

I had this collection ready (and in its third edition, the first edition having been merely a draft, and the second edition lacking *Gaudete*) in time for Christmas 2011, but after giving a few away as Christmas gifts, I decided that the book in its current form was not ideal, and worthwhile improvements could be made by making new engravings of all the music. Thus, I have taken the trouble of transcribing everything into Lilypond for this new edition. In this way, I have also been able to add nearly 60 more songs to the collection, including a handful of Advent hymns and two songs, *Ring Out Wild Bells* and *Auld Lang Syne*, in celebration of the new year, which always begins a week after Christmas. To make the book more affordable, I have published it through CreateSpace instead of Lulu, and in hopes that others may also find it useful, I have made it available for purchase on Amazon.com, where it should be easier to find.

In selecting the songs, I have tried to include all the public domain carols that are well-known, as well as those which I have found appealing. Some songs I sought out specifically, and others I had never heard before finding them in older collections while preparing the present volume, having looked through several such books, including *The Cowley Carol Book* (1919), *The Cambridge Carol Book* (1924), the aforementioned *Christmas Carols, New and Old* (1871), as well as the several Christmas carols found in *Favorite Songs and Hymns for School and Home* (1899). In a few cases I have slightly edited the music from the source arrangement, and in rarer cases I have slightly modified the text. In perhaps the rarest of cases, I have anonymously arranged a handful of the songs myself.

In ordering the songs, I have attempted to interleave the more well-known songs with those tending further toward obscurity. However, the obscure carols seemed to outnumber those I expect to be well-known, which led to a section beginning not long after the middle of the book consisting entirely of carols of relative obscurity. This is followed by a handful of carols of foreign origin, which are followed by a few more carols and part songs. However, these sections are rather nebulous and songs may occasionally seem out of place within the book.

In laying out the music, I have tried to avoid setting lyrics for additional verses too far below the music itself, because of the difficulty involved in continually glancing back and forth between the music and the words. Thus, some songs have the exact same music printed several times, sometimes with a chorus also doubled, though sometimes the chorus is given only once even when the verses are doubled.

In a few cases I have included the original foreign-language words as well as an English translation, but in other cases this was impossible, for Bramley and Stainer, while noting which texts were translations, were not so thoughtful as to include the *names* of the original texts, and I have only been able to find the source texts for a few of them. There are also a few foreign-language carols for which I have not included any English translation.

## O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL

Translated by John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

15th Century French

That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.  
 To us the path of know - ledge show, And teach us in her ways to go.  
 In an - cient times didst give the Law, In cloud, and maj-es - ty and awe.  
 From depths of hell Thy peo - ple save, And give them vic'try o'er the grave.

Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

5. O come, Thou Key of Da - vid, come, And o - pen wide our heav'n - ly home;  
 6. O come, Thou DaySpring, come and cheer Our spi - rits by Thine ad - vent here;  
 7. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind In one the hearts of all man - kind;

Make safe the way that leads on high, And close the path to mis - er - y.  
 Dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of night, And death's dark shadows put to flight.  
 Bid Thou our sad di - vis - ions cease, And be Thy - self our King of Peace.

## VENI, VENI, EMMANUEL

1. Ve - ni, ve - ni, Em - má - nu - el cap - tí-vum sol - ve Is - ra - el,  
 2. Ve - ni, O Sa - pi - én - ti - a, quæ hic dis - pó - nis óm - ni - a,  
 3. Ve - ni, ve - ni, A - do - ná - i, qui pó - pu - lo in Si - na - i  
 4. Ve - ni, O Jes - se vír - gu - la, ex hos-tis tu - os ún - gu - la,

qui ge - mit in ex - sí - li - o, pri - vá - tus De - i Fí - li - o.  
 ve - ni, vi - am pru - dén - ti - æ ut dó - ce - as et gló - ri - æ.  
 le - gem de - dís - ti vér - ti - ce in ma - jes - tá - te gló - ri - æ.  
 de spec - tu - tu - os tár - ta - ri e - du - et an - tro bá - ra - thri.

13 Gau - de! Gau - de! Em - má - nu - el, na - scé - tur pro - te Is - ra - el!

5. Ve - ni, Cla - vis Da - ví - di - ca, re - gna re - clú - de cæ - li - ca,  
 6. Ve - ni, ve - ni, O O - ri - ens, so - lá - re nos ad - vé - ni - ens,  
 7. Ve - ni, ve - ni, Rex Gén - ti - um, ve - ni, Redémp - tor óm - ni - um,

fac i - ter tu - tum sú - pe - rum, et clau - de vi - as ín - fe - rum.  
 noc - tis de - pél - le né - bu - las, di - rás - que mor - tis té - ne - bras.  
 ut sal - vas tu - os fá - mu - los pec - cá - ti si - bi có - sci - os.

## COME THOU LONG EXPECTED JESUS

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Cross of Jesus, Sir John Stainer (1840-1901)

1. Come, Thou long ex - pect-ed Je - sus, born to set Thy peo - ple free;  
 2. Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth Thou art:  
 3. Born Thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,  
 4. By Thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;

from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in Thee.  
 dear de - sire of ev - 'ry na - tion, joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.  
 born to reign in us for ev - er, now Thy gra - cious king - dom bring.  
 by Thy grace, help us to mer - it life e - ter - nal at Thy throne.

from *The Church Hymnary*, 1902, via *HymnsAndCarolsOfChristmas.com*

## COME THOU LONG EXPECTED JESUS

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Stuttgart, Christian F. Witt (c. 1660-1716)

Adapted by Henry J. Gauntlett (1805-1876)

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 2. Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth Thou art:  
 3. Born Thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,  
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 by Thy grace, help us to mer - it life e - ter - nal at Thy throne.

from *CyberHymnal.org*

## O COME, DIVINE MESSIAH

Abbé Simon J. Pellegrin (1663-1745)

16th Century French Carol

Translated by Sister Mary of St. Philip, SND (1825-1904)

## ON JORDAN'S BANK

*Jordanis oras previa*, by Charles Coffin (1676–1749)

Translated by John Chandler (1806–1876)

Winchester New

Adapted from Chorale in *Musikalisches Hand-Buch*, 1690

1. On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry An - noun - ces that the Lord is nigh;  
 2. Then cleansed be ev - 'ry soul from sin; Make straight the way for God with - in;  
 3. For Thou art our sal - va - tion, Lord, Our Ref - uge and our great re - ward.  
 4. Stretch forth Thine hand, to heal our sore, And make us rise and fall no more;  
 5. All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to Thee, Whose ad - vent doth Thy peo - ple free,

Come, then, and heark - en, for he brings Glad tid - ings from the King of kings!  
 Pre - pare we in our hearts a home, Where such a might - y Guest may come.  
 With - out Thy grace our souls must fade And with - er like a flow'r de - cayed.  
 Once more up - on Thy peo - ple shine, And fill the world with love di - vine.  
 Whom with the Fa - ther, we a - dore, And Ho - ly Ghost, for ev - er - more.

## HARK! A HERALD VOICE IS CALLING

*Vox clara ecce intonat*, 6th Century

William Henry Monk (1823–1889)

Translated by Edward Caswall (1814–1878)

1. Hark! a her - ald voice is call - ing: 'Christ is nigh,' it seems to say;  
 2. Star - tled at the sol - emn warn - ing, Let the earthbound soul a - rise;  
 3. Lo! the Lamb, so long ex - pec - ted, Comes with par - don down from heav'n;  
 4. So when next He comes with glo - ry, Wrap - ping all the earth in fear,  
 5. Hon - or, glo - ry, vir - tue, mer - it, To the Fa - ther and the Son,

'Cast a - way the dreams of dark - ness, O ye chil - dren of the day!'  
 Christ, her Sun, all sloth dis - pell - ing, Shines up - on the morn - ing skies.  
 Let us haste, with tears of sor - row, One and all to be for - giv'n;  
 May He then as our de - fend - er On the clouds of heav'n ap - pear.  
 With the co - e - ter - nal Spi - rit, While un - end - ing a - ges run.

## WAKE, O WAKE! WITH TIDINGS THRILLING

Wachet Auf! by P. Nicolai (1556-1608)

P. Nicolai (1556-1608)

Translated by F.C.B.

Very slow and solemn ( $\text{♩} = 64$ )

Adapted and arranged by J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

1. Wake, o wake! with tid - ings thrill - - ing The watch - men all the  
Mid-night strikes! no more de - lay - - ing, 'The hour has come!' we  
2. Zi - on hears the watch - men shout - - ing, Her heart leaps up with  
See her Friend from heav'n de - scand - - ing, A - dornd with truth and  
3. Ev - 'ry soul in Thee re - joi - - ces; From men and from an -  
Now the gates of pearl re - ceive us, Thy pre - sence nev - er

air are fill - - ing, A - rise, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!  
hear them say - - ing. Where are ye all, ye vir - gins wise?  
joy un - doubt - - ing, She stands and waits with ea - ger eyes;  
grace un - end - - ing! Her light burns clear, her star doth rise.  
gel - ic voi - - ces Be glo - ry giv'n to Thee a - lone!  
more shall leave us, We stand with An - gels round Thy throne.

The Bride - groom comes in sight, Raise high your tor - ches bright! Al - le -  
Now come, Thou pre - cious Crown, Lord Je - su, God's own Son! Ho - san -  
Earth can - not give be - low The bliss Thou dost be - stow. Al - le -

lu - ia! The wed-ding song Swells loud and strong: Go forth and join the fest-al throng.  
- na! Let us pre - pare To fol - low there, Where in Thy sup - per we may share.  
lu - ia! Grant us to raise, To length of days, The tri - umph-cho - rus of Thy praise.

ADVENT  
CREATOR ALME SIDERUM

1. Cre - á - tor al - me sí - de - rum, Æ - té - na lux cre - dén - ti - um, Je - su, Redémp - tor óm - ni - um,  
 2. Qui dæ - mo - nis ne fráu - di - bus Per - í - ret or - bis, ím - pe - tu A - mó - ris ac - tus, lán - guí - di  
 3. Com - mún - ne qui mun - di ne - fas Ut ex - pi - á - res, ad crucem E Vír - gi - nis sa - crá - ri - o

In - tén - de vo - tis súp - pli - cum. 4. Cu - jus pot - és - tas gló - ri - æ, No - mén - que cum primum so - nat,  
 Mund - i me - dé - la fac - tus es. 5. Te de - pre - cá - mur úl - ti - mæ Magnum di - é - i Jú - di - cem,  
 In - tác - ta prod - is víc - ti - ma. 6. Virtus, ho - nor, laus, gló - ri - a De - o Pa - tri cum Fí - li - o,

Et cæ - li - tes et ín - fe - ri Tre - mén - te cur - ván - tur ge - nu.  
 Ar - mis su - pér - næ grá - ti - æ De - fén - de nos ab hós - ti - bus. A - - men.  
 Sanc - to si - mul Pa - rá - cli - to, In sæ - cu - ló - rum sæ - cu - la.

## CREATOR OF THE STARS OF NIGHT

Translated by John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

1. Cre - a - tor of the stars of night, Thy peo - ple's ev - er - last - ing Light;  
 2. Thou, griev - ing that the an - cient curse Should doom to death a u - ni - verse,  
 3. Thou cam'st, the Bridegroom of the bride, As drew the world to eve - ning - tide;

Je - su, Re - deem - er, save us all, And hear thy ser - vants when they call.  
 Hast found the med - cine, full of grace, To save and heal a ru - in'd race.  
 Pro - ceed - ing from a vir - gin shrine, The spot - less Vic - tim all di - vine.

4. At Whose dread Name, ma - jes - tic now, All knees must bend, all hearts must bow;  
 5. O Thou, Whose com - ing is with dread To judge and doom the quick and dead,  
 6. To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the Spi - rit, Three in One,

A musical score for a hymn. The top staff is in treble clef, B-flat key signature, and common time. It features a continuous eighth-note pattern on a single pitch. The lyrics are: "And things ce - les - tial Thee shall own, And things ter-restrial, Lord a - lone. Pre - serve us, while we dwell be - low, From ev - 'ry in-sult of the foe. A - men. Laud, hon - or, might, and glo - ry be From age to age e - ter-nal - ly." The bottom staff is in bass clef, B-flat key signature, and common time. It features a continuous eighth-note pattern on a single pitch, corresponding to the bass line of the hymn.

from Peters' *Sodality Hymn Book*, 1914, via [books.google.com](http://books.google.com)

# CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM

Anonymous, 7th Century

Arranged by Michael Praetorius (1571-1621)

1. Cón - di - tor al - me sí - de-rum,      Æ - té - na lux cre - - - - - dén - ti - um,

lux cre - - - - - dén - ti - um,

lux cre - - - - - dén - ti - um,

lux cre - - - - - dén - ti - um,

2. Chris-te, Redémp-tor óm - ni - um,      Ex - áu - di pre - ces súp - - - - - pli - cum.

pre - ces súp - - - - - pli - cum.

# CHRISTMAS IS COMING

## Traditional

Edith Nesbitt (1858-1924)

Christmas is com-ing! The goose is get-ting fat; Please to put a pen-ny in the old man's hat, Please to put a pen-ny in the old man's hat.

CHRISTMAS  
CHRISTMAS IS COMING

H. Walford Davies (1869-1941)

1

Christmas is coming, the geese are getting fat, Please to put a penny in the old man's hat.

fat,

old man's hat. If you have-n't got a penny, a ha'pny'll do, a

2

ha'pny'll do, a ha'pny'll do, two,,

cresc.

But a penny's better, A penny or two are better, or

three, four! Christmas is coming, the geese are getting fat, Please to put a penny in the

three! or four! ff

fat,

old man's hat. If you haven't got a pen-ny, a ha'pny'll do, If you haven't got a ha'pny, a

mf

22

Slowly

**p**

Quickly

**f**

farthing'll do, If you haven't got a farthing, God bless you!— God

**p**

28

bless the mas - ter of this house, like - wise the mis - tress too, And

32

**f**

all the lit - tle chil - dren that round the ta - ble grow. Love and

**mf**

**f**

Love

36

joy come to you, and to you your was-sail too, And God bless you, and send you a

42

1

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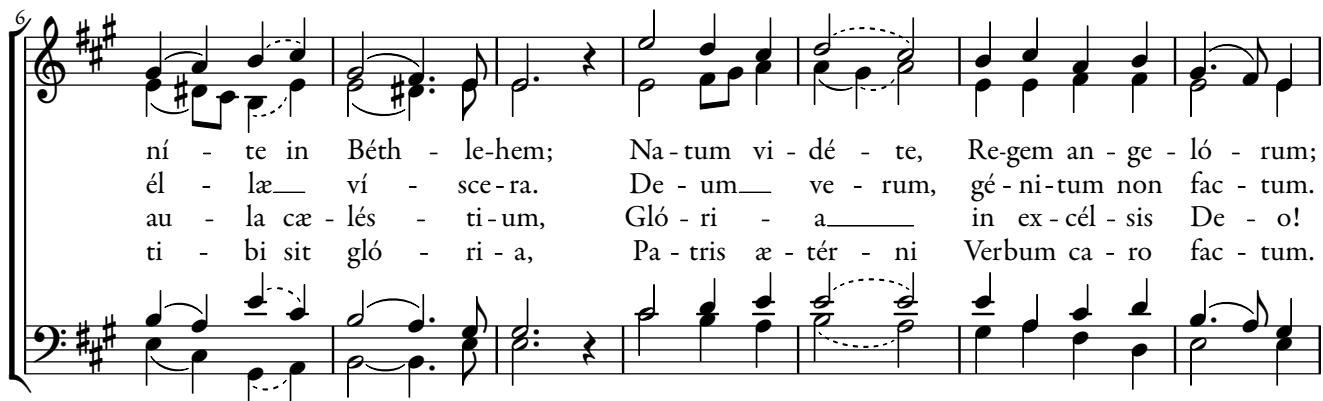
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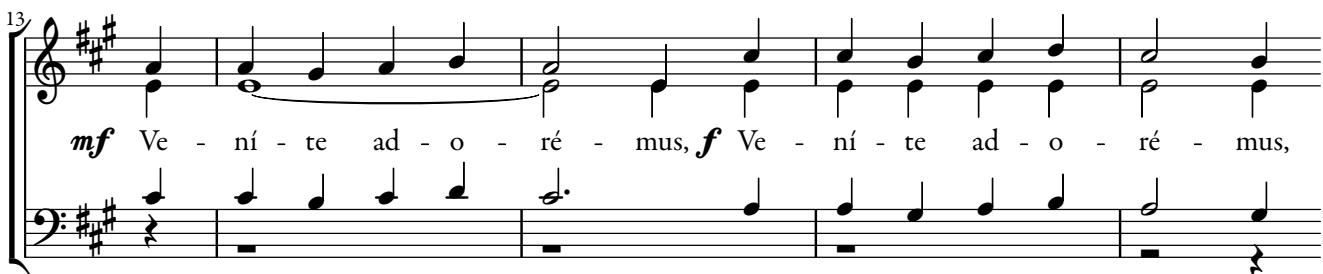
CHRISTMAS  
ADESTE FIDELES

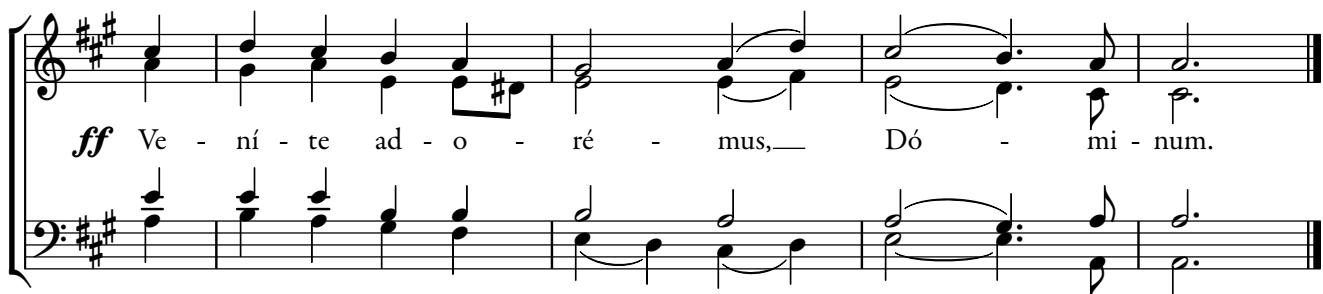
John Francis Wade (1711-1786)

from *Cantus Diversi*, 1751





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from *Christmas Carols and Hymns for School and Choir*, 1910

## O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

Translated by Frederick Oakley (1802-1880)

John Francis Wade (1711-1786)

1. O come, all ye faith - ful, Joy - ful and tri - umphant, O come ye, O come ye to  
 2. God, of God, Light of Light, Lo, He ab - hors not the  
 3. Sing, choirs of an - gels, Sing with ex - ul - ta-tions, Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of  
 4. Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, Born this hap-py morn-ing, Je - sus, to Thee be

Beth - le - hem; Come and be - hold Him, Born the King of an - gels;  
 Vir - gin's womb; Ve - ry God, Be - got - ten, not cre - at - ed:  
 heav'n a - bove; Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry in the high - est;  
 glo - ry giv'n; Word of the Fa - ther, Now in flesh ap - pear - ing;

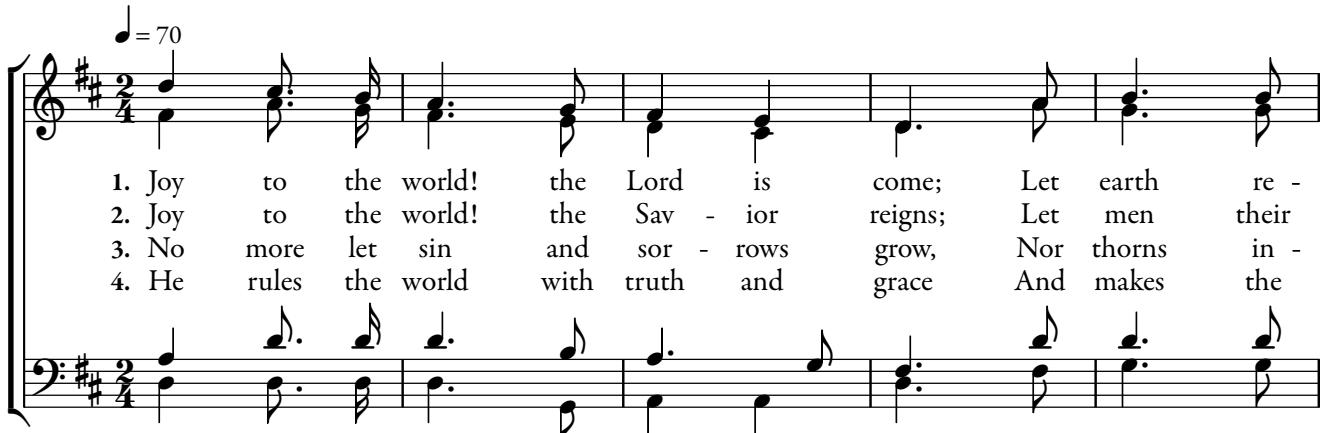
*mf* O come, let us a - dore Him, *f* O come, let us a - dore Him,

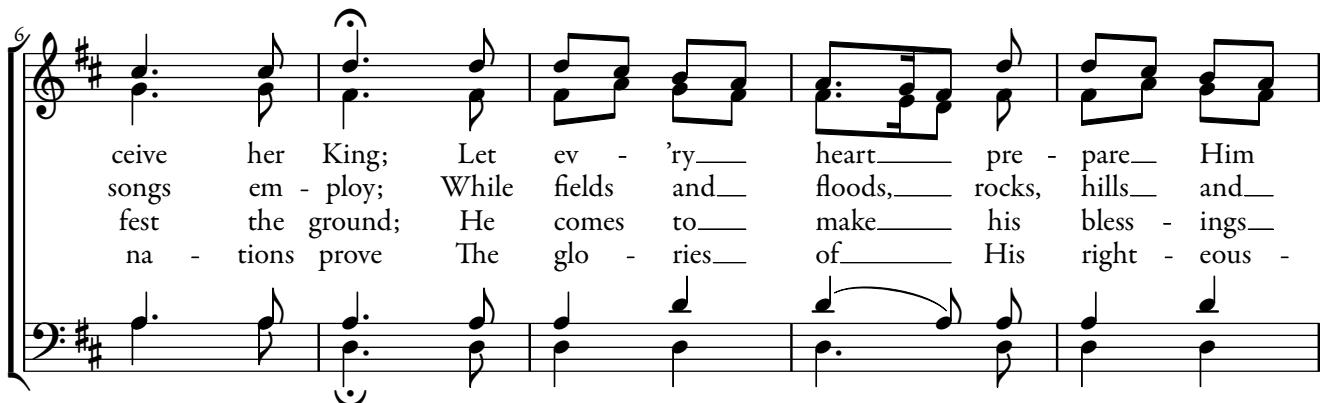
*ff* O come, let us a - dore Him, Christ, the Lord!

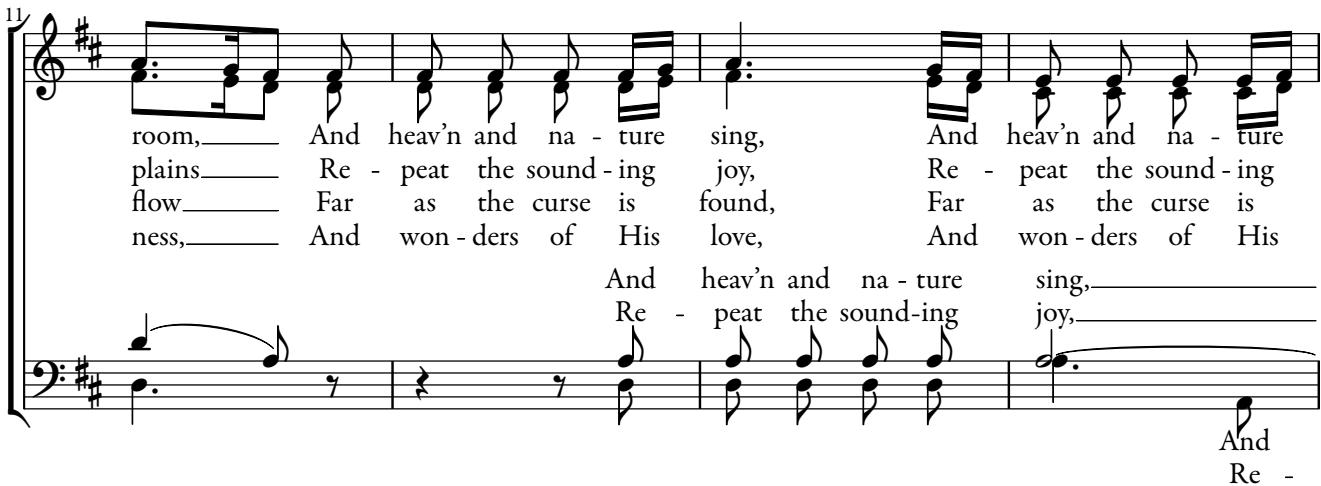
## JOY TO THE WORLD!

Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

Lowell Mason (1792-1872)









## A CHILD THIS DAY IS BORN

Traditional

Traditional

1. A Child this day is born, A Child of high renown;  
 2. These tidings shepherds heard Whilst watch-ing o'er their fold,  
 3. Then was there with the An-gel An host in-con-ti-nent

Most wor-thy of a scep-tre, A scep-tre and a crown.  
 'Twas by an An-gel un-to them That night re-vealed and told.  
 Of heav-en-ly bright sol-diers, All from the high-est sent.

Glad tid-ings to all men, Glad tid-ings sing we may,  
 Be-cause the King of kings Was born on Christ-mas Day.

4. They praised the Lord our God, And our ce-le-stial King:  
 5. All glo-ry be to God, That sit-teth still on high,

All glo-ry be in Pa-ra-dise, This heav'n-ly host do-sing.  
 With prais-es and with tri-umph great, And joy-ful mel-o-dy.

CHRISTMAS  
THE FIRST NOËL

Traditional

18th Century French Melody

*mf*

1. The first No - ël the an - gel did say, Was to cer - tain poor  
 2. They look - ed up and saw a Star Shining in the  
 3. And by the light of that same Star Three wise men  
 4. This star drew nigh to the North West, O'er Beth - le -  
 5. Then en - ter'd in those Wise - men three, Full rev - 'rent -  
 6. Then let us all with one ac - cord, Sing prais - es

shep - herds in fields as they lay; In fields where they lay  
 East be - yond them far, And to the earth it  
 came from coun - try far; To seek for a King was  
 hem it took its rest, And there it did both  
 ly on bend - ed knee, And of - fer'd there in  
 to our Heav - en - ly Lord, That hath made Heav'n and

keep - ing their sheep On a cold win - ter's night that was so deep.  
 gave great light, And so it con - tin - ued both day and night.  
 their in - tent, And to fol - low the star where e'er it went.  
 stop and stay Right o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.  
 His pres - ence, Their gold and myrrh and frank - in - cense.  
 earth of naught, And with His Blood man - kind hath bought.

*ff* No - ël, No - ël, No - ël, No - ël, Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

## WHEN CHRIST WAS BORN OF MARY FREE!

15th Century Middle English Harleian Manuscript

16th Century English Tune

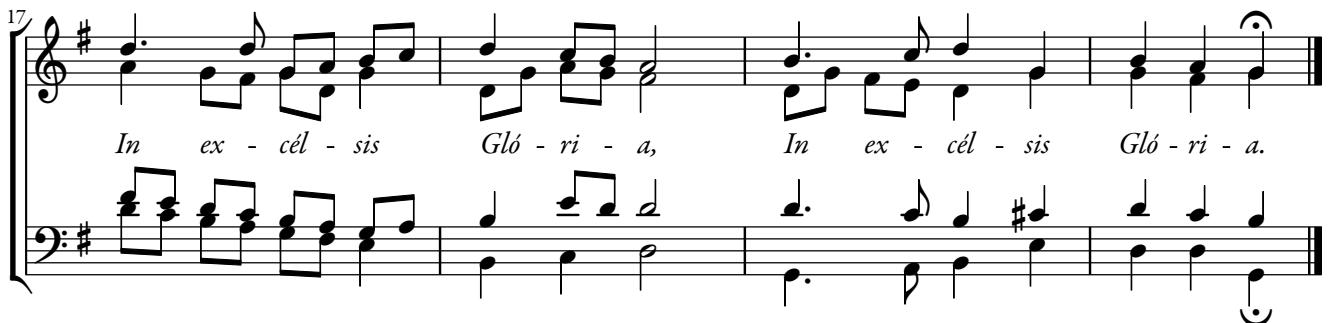
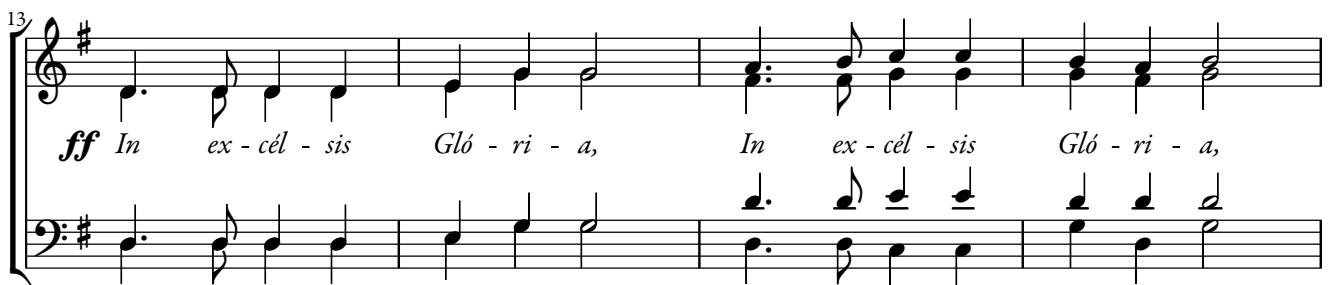
Arranged by Sir John Stainer (1840-1901)



1. When Christ was born of Ma - ry free, In Beth - le-hem, that fair ci - ty,  
 2. Herds-men be - held these An - gels bright, To them ap-pear - ing with great light,  
 3. The King is come to save man - kind, As in scrip - ture truths we find,  
 4. Then dear Lord, for Thy great grace, Grant us in bliss to see Thy face,



An - gels sang there with mirth and glee, "In ex - cé - sis Gló - ri - a."  
 Who said God's Son is born to - night, "In ex - cé - sis Gló - ri - a."  
 There - fore this song we have in mind, "In ex - cé - sis Gló - ri - a."  
 That we may sing to Thy sol - ace, "In ex - cé - sis Gló - ri - a."



CHRISTMAS  
**HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING**

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)



1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, — "Glo - ry to the new-born King!  
 2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored; Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord;  
 3. Mild He lays His glo - ry by, — Born that man no more may die,

5  
 Peace on earth, and mer - cy mild; — God and sin - ners re - con - ciled."  
 Late in time be - hold Him come, — Off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.  
 Born to raise the sons of earth, — Born to give them sec - ond birth.

9  
 Joy - ful all ye na - tions, rise; — Join the tri - umph of the skies;  
 Veil'd in flesh the God-head see; — Hail th'In - car - nate De - i - ty,  
 Ris'n with heal - ing in His wings, — Light and life to all He brings,

13  
 With th'an - gel - ic hosts pro - claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem."  
 Pleased as Man with man to dwell, Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!  
 Hail, the Sun of Right-eous - ness! Hail, the heav'n born Prince of Peace!

17  
 Hark the her - ald an - gels sing, — Glo - ry to the new-born King.

## JESUS, THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Arranged by George D. Elderkin

1. Hark! the Her - ald an - gels sing, Je - sus, the Light of the world;  
 2. Joy - ful all ye na - tions rise, Je - sus, the Light of the world;  
 3. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Je - sus, the Light of the world;  
 4. Hail! the heav'n - born Prince of peace, Je - sus, the Light of the world;

Glo - ry to the new - born King, Je - sus, the Light of the world.  
 Join the tri - umph of the skies, Je - sus, the Light of the world.  
 Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord, Je - sus, the Light of the world.  
 Hail! the sun of right - eous - ness, Je - sus, the Light of the world.

We'll walk in the light, beau-ti - ful light, Come where the dewdrops of mer - cy are bright,

Shine all around us by day and by night, Je - sus, the Light of the world.

## IT CAME UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR

Edmund H. Sears (1810-1876)

Richard S. Willis (1819-1900)

1. It came up - on the mid - night clear, That glo - rious song of old,  
 2. Still through the clo - ven skies they come, With peace - ful wings un - furl'd;  
 3. O ye, be -neath life's crush - ing load, Whose forms are bend - ing low,  
 4. For lo! the days are hast -'ning on, By pro - phet bards fore - told,

From an - gels bend - ing near the earth To touch their harps of gold:  
 And still their heav'n - ly mu - sic floats O'er all the wea - ry world:  
 Who toil a - long the climb - ing way With pain - ful steps and slow!  
 When with the ev - er - cir - cling years Comes round the age of gold;

"Peace on the earth, good-will to men From heav'n's all gra - cious King."  
 A - bove its sad and low - ly plains They bend on hov - 'ring wing,  
 Look now, for glad and gold - en hours Come swift - ly on the wing;  
 When Peace shall o - ver all the earth Its an - cient splen - dors fling,

The world in sol - emn still - ness lay To hear the an - gels sing.  
 And ev - er o'er its Ba - bel sounds The bless - ed an - gels sing.  
 O rest be - side the wea - ry road And hear the an - gels sing.  
 And the whole world send back the song Which now the an - gels sing.

## SHEPHERDS! SHAKE OFF YOUR DROWSY SLEEP

Traditional

Besançon Carol

Arranged by Sir John Stainer (1840-1901)

*Vivace*

1. Shep - herds! shake off your drow - sy sleep, Rise and  
 2. Hark! e - ven now the bells ring round, Lis - ten  
**mf** 3. See how the flow'rs all burst a - new, Think - ing  
 4. Com - eth at length the age of peace, Strife and  
 5. Shep - herds! then up and quick a - way, Seek the

leave your sil - ly sheep; An - gels from heav'n a - round loud  
 to their mer - ry sound; Hark! how the birds new songs are  
 snow is sum - mer dew; See how the stars a - fresh are  
 sor - row now - shall cease; Pro - phets fore - told the won - drous  
 Babe ere break of day; He is the hope of ev - 'ry

sing - ing, Tid - ings of great joy are bring - ing.  
 mak - ing, As - if win - ter's chains were break - ing.  
 glow - ing, All - their bright - est beams be - stow - ing.  
 sto - ry Of - this Heav'n born Prince of Glo - ry.  
 na - tion, All - in Him shall find sal - va - tion.

*poco rit.*

**ff** Shepherds! the cho - rus come and swell! Sing No - ël, O sing No - ël!

## ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

*Les Anges dans nos Campagnes*, 18th Century

18th Century French Carol

Translated by Bishop James Chadwick (1813-1882)

## MASTERS IN THIS HALL

William Morris (1834–1896)

*Marche pour les Matelots*, by Marin Marais (1656–1728)

Arranged by Edmund Sedding (1836–1868)

*Andante*

1. Masters in this hall, \_\_\_\_\_ Hear ye news to - day, \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. This is Christ, the Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ Masters be ye glad! \_\_\_\_\_

Brought from o - ver sea, \_\_\_\_\_ And ev - er I you pray, \_\_\_\_\_  
 Christ - mas is come in, \_\_\_\_\_ And no folk should be sad!

**f** No - èl! No - èl! No - èl! No - èl sing we clear! Holp - en are all folk on

earth Born is God's Son so dear: No - èl! No - èl! No - èl! No - èl, sing we

loud! God to - day hath poor folk rais'd And cast a down the proud.

## THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

Traditional

Traditional

1. On the first day of Christ-mas my true love sent to me A par - tridge in a pear tree.

2. On the sec-ond day of Christ - mas my true love sent to me  
Two tur - tle-doves and a par - tridge in a pear tree.

3. On the third day of Christ - mas my true love sent to me  
4. On the fourth day of Christ - mas my true love sent to me  
skip to next measure  
Four call-ing birds,

13. On the fifth day of Christ - mas my true love sent to me  
14. On the sixth day of Christ - mas my true love sent to me  
skip to next measure  
Five gold - en rings,

15. On the seventh day of Christ - mas my true love sent to me  
16. On the eighth day of Christ - mas my true love sent to me  
skip to next measure  
Six leav-ing birds, Seven swi-ans a-swim-ing, Eight maides a-may-ing, Nine ladies a-danc-ing, Ten lords a - leaping,

*skip to appropriate measure*

5. On the fifth day of Christ - mas my true love sent to me  
 6-12. On the etc.

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Twelve drum-mers drumming, Elev'n pip - ers pip - ing, Ten lords a - leap - ing,

9. 8. 7. 6.

Nine la-dies dancing, Eight maids a-milking, Sev'n swans a-swimming, Six geese a - lay-ing,

26. 5. *Slower*

Five gold rings, Four call-ing birds, Three French hens,

30. *(last time rall.)*

two tur - tle-doves, and a par - tridge in a pear tree.

CHRISTMAS  
CAROL FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

Rev. H. R. Bramley (1833-1917)

Sir Frederick A. G. Ouseley (1825-1889)

1. Listen, Lord-ings, un - to me, a tale I will you tell; Which, as on this  
2. In the Inn they found no room; a scan - ty bed they made: Soon a Babe from

night of glee, in David's town be - fell. Jo - seph came from Na - za - reth, with  
Ma - ry's womb was in the man - ger laid. Forth He came as light through glass: He

Ma - ry that sweet maid: Wea - ry were they, nigh to death; and for a lodg - ing pray'd.  
came to save us all. In the sta - ble ox and ass be - fore their Ma - ker fall.

Sing high, sing high, sing low, sing low, sing high, sing low, sing to and fro,

Go tell it out with speed, Cry out and shout all round a - bout, That Christ is born in - deed.

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3. Shepherds lay a - field that night, to keep the sil - ly sheep, Hosts of An - gels  
 4. On-ward then the An - gels sped, the shepherds on - ward went, God was in His

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in their sight came down from heav'n's high steep. Tidings! Ti-dings! un - to you: to  
 man-ger bed, in wor - ship low they bent. In the morning see ye mind, my

38

you a Child is born, Pur - er than the drops of dew, and bright-er than the morn.  
 masters one and all, At the Al - tar Him to find, Who lay with-in the stall.

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Sing high, sing high, sing low, sing low, sing high, sing low, sing to and fro,

49

Go tell it out with speed, Cry out and shout all round a - bout, That Christ is born in - deed.

CHRISTMAS  
AWAY IN A MANGER

Anonymous

James Ramsey Murray (1841-1905)

1. A - way in a man-ger, No crib for His bed, The lit - tle Lord  
 2. The cat - tle are low-ing, The poor ba - by wakes, But lit - tle Lord  
 3. Be near me, Lord Je - sus, I ask Thee to stay Close by me for -

6

Je - sus Laid down His sweet head: The stars in the heav - ens Look'd  
 Je - sus No cry - ing He makes; I love Thee, Lord Je - sus, Look  
 ev - er And love me, I pray: Bless all the dear chil - dren In

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down where He lay, The lit - tle Lord Je - sus A - sleep in the hay.  
 down from the sky, And stay by my cra - dle Till mor - ning is nigh.  
 Thy ten - der care, And take us to heav - en To live with Thee there.

AWAY IN A MANGER

Anonymous

William Kirkpatrick (1838-1921)

1. A - way in a manger, No crib for His bed, The lit - tle Lord Je - sus Laid down His sweet head: The  
 2. The cat - tle are low-ing, The poor ba - by wakes, But lit - tle Lord Je - sus No cry - ing He makes; I  
 3. Be near me, Lord Je - sus, I ask Thee to stay Close by me for - ev - er And love me, I pray: Bless

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stars in the heav - ens Look'd down where He lay, The lit - tle Lord Je - sus A - sleep in the hay.  
 love Thee, Lord Je - sus, Look down from the sky, And stay by my cra - dle Till mor - ning is nigh.  
 all the dear children In - Thy ten - der care, And take us to heaven To live with Thee there.

## AWAY IN A MANGER

Anonymous

Jonathan E. Spilman (1812-1896)

1. A-way in a manger, No crib for His bed, The lit-tle Lord Je-sus Laid down His sweet  
 2. Be near me, Lord Je-sus, I ask Thee to stay Close by me for - ev-er And love me, I

head: The stars in the heav-ens Look'd down where He lay, The lit-tle Lord Je-sus A -  
 pray: Bless all the dear children In Thy ten - der care, And take us to heaven To

## A VIRGIN UNSPOTTED

17th Century English

English

Arranged by Sir John Stainer (1840-1901)

1. A Vir - gin un - spot - ted, the pro - phet fore - told, Should bring forth a  
 2. At Beth - le - hem ci - ty in Jew - ry it was That Jo - seph and  
 3. But when they had en - tered the ci - ty so fair, A num - ber of  
 4. Then were they con - strain'd in a sta - ble to lie, Where hors - es and

Sav - ior, which now we be - hold, To be our Re - deem - er from  
 Ma - ry to - geth - er did pass, All for to be tax - ed with  
 peo - ple so - mighty was there, That Jo - seph and Ma - ry, whose  
 ass - es they used for to tie: Their lodg - ing so sim - ple they

death, hell and sin, Which Ad - am's trans - gres - sion had wrap - ped us in.  
 ma - ny one moe. Great Cae - sar com - mand - ed the same should be so.  
 sub - stance was small, Could find in the inn there no lodg - ing at all.  
 took it no scorn, But a - gainst the next morn - ing our Sav - ior was born.

**ff** Aye and there - fore be mer - ry, set sor - row a - side,

Christ Je - sus, our Sav - ior, was born on this tide.

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5. The King of all kings to this world be - ing brought, Small store of fine  
 6. Then God sent an an - gel from heav - en so high, To cer - tain poor  
 7. Then pres - ent - ly af - ter the shep - herds did spy Vast num - bers of  
 8. To teach us hu - mil - i - ty all this was done, And learn we from

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lin - en to\_\_ wrap Him was sought, But when she had swad-dled her  
 shep - herds in\_\_ fields where they lie, And bade them no long - er in  
 an - gels to\_\_ stand in the sky; They joy - ful - ly talk - ed and  
 thence haugh-ty\_\_ pride for to shun; A man - ger His cra - dle Who

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young Son so sweet, With - in an ox man - ger she laid\_ Him to sleep.  
 sor - row to stay, Be - cause that our Sav - ior was born on this day.  
 sweet-ly did sing: "To God be all glo - ry, our heav - en - ly King."  
 came from a - bove, The great God of mer - cy, of\_ peace, and of love.

**ff** Aye and there - fore be mer - ry, set sor - row a - side,

Christ Je - sus, our Sav - ior, was born on this tide.

## DING DONG MERRILY ON HIGH

George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848–1934)

16th century French melody

Arranged by Charles Wood (1866–1926)

1. Ding dong! mer - ri - ly on high in heav'n the bells are ring - ing:  
 2. E'en so here be - low, be - low, let stee - ple bells be swung - en.  
 3. Pray ye du - ti - ful - ly prime your ma - tin chime, ye ring - ers;

Ding dong! Ve - ri - ly the sky is riv'n with an - gel sing - ing.  
 And i - o, i - o, i - o by priest and peo - ple sung - en.  
 may ye beau - ti - ful - ly rime your eve - time song, ye sing - ers.

*Glo* *Glo* - - - - -

ri - a, ho - sán - na in ex - cé - sis!  
 ri - a, ho - sán - na in ex - cé - sis!

## UP! GOOD CHRISTEN FOLK AND LISTEN

George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848-1934)

*O quam mundum*, from *Piae Cantiones*, 1582

Arranged by George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848-1934)

## STILLE NACHT

Joseph Mohr (1792-1848)

Franz Gruber (1787-1863)

*Tranquillo* ( $\text{♩} = 90$ )

1. Stil - le Nacht! hei - li - ge Nacht! Al - les schläft;  
**p** 2. Stil - le Nacht! hei - li - ge Nacht! Hir - ten erst  
 3. Stil - le Nacht! hei - li - ge Nacht! Got - tes Sohn,

ein - sam wacht. Nur das trau - te hoch - hei - li - ge Paar.  
 kund - ge - macht, Durch der En - gel Hal - le - lu - ja!  
 o wie lacht Lieb' aus dein - em göt - tlich-en Mund,

Hol - der Kna - be im lock - i - gen Haar, **mf** Schlaf in himm - li - scher  
 Tönt es laut von fern und nah: Christ, der Ret - ter ist  
 Da uns schlägt die ret - ten-de Stund. Christ, in dein - er Ge -

Ruh!\_\_\_\_\_ Schlaf in himm - li - scher Ruh!\_\_\_\_\_  
 da!\_\_\_\_\_ Christ, der Ret - ter ist da!\_\_\_\_\_  
 burt!\_\_\_\_\_ Christ, in dein - er Ge - burt!\_\_\_\_\_

CHRISTMAS  
SILENT NIGHT

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Translated by John Freeman Young (1820-1885)

Franz Gruber (1787-1863)

*Tranquillo* (♩ = 90)

**p** 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 hosts sing Al - le - lu - ia; **mf** Christ, the Sav - ior is  
With the dawn of re - deem - ing grace, Je - sus, Lord, at Thy

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

## CHRIST WAS BORN ON CHRISTMAS DAY

(Resonet in laudibus)

14th Century Latin carol, as found in *Piae Cantiones*, 1582

English words by John Mason Neale (1818–1866)

14th Century German melody, *Resonet in laudibus*

Arranged chiefly by G. R. Woodward (1848–1934)

1. Christ was born on Christ - mas Day, Wreath the hol - ly, twine the bay;  
 2. He is born to set us free, He is born our Lord to be,  
 1. Ré - so - net in láu - di - bus cum ju-cún - dis pláu - si - bus  
 2. Chris - tus na - tus hó - di - e ex Ma - rí - a vír - gi - ne

Chris - tus na - tus hó - di - e: The Babe, the Son, the Ho - ly One of Ma - ry.  
 Ex Ma - rí - a Vir - gi - ne: The God, the Lord, by all a-dor'd for ev - er.  
 Si - on cum fi - dé - li - bus, Ap - pá - ru - it quem gé - nu - it Ma - rí - a.  
 si - ne vi - ri - li sé - mi - ne Ap - pá - ru - it quem gé - nu - it Ma - rí - a.

3. Let the bright red ber - ries glow Ev - 'ry - where in good - ly show;  
 4. Chris - tian men, re - joice and sing; 'Tis the birth - day of a King,  
 3. Pú - e - ri con - cí - ni - te, na - to re - gi psál - li - te,  
 4. Si - on lau - da Dó - mi - num Sal - va - tó - rem hó - mi - num,

Chris - tus na - tus hó - di - e: The Babe, the Son, the Ho - ly One of Ma - ry.  
 Ex Ma - rí - a Vir - gi - ne: The God, the Lord, by all a-dor'd for ev - er.  
 vo - ce pi - a dí - ci - te Ap - pá - ru - it quem gé - nu - it Ma - rí - a.  
 pur - ga - tó - rem crí - minum Ap - pá - ru - it quem gé - nu - it Ma - rí - a.

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5. Night of sad-ness: Morn of glad-ness ev - ermore: Ev - er, ev - er: Af - ter ma - ny  
 5. Sunt im-plé - ta quæ præ-dí - xit Gá - bri-el. E - ia, E - ia, vir - go De - um

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troubles sore, Morn of gladness ev - ermore and ev - ermore. 6. Midnight scarcely pass'd and o - ver,  
 gé - nu - it, quem di - ví - na vó - lu - it cle-mén - ti - a. 6. Hó - di - e ap - pá - ru - it, ap -

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Drawing to this ho-ly morn, Ve - ry ear-ly, ve-ry ear-ly Christ was born. 7. Sing out with bliss, His  
 pá - ru - it in Is - ra - él, Ex Ma-rí - a vír - gi - ne est na - tus Rex. 7. Ma - gnum no - men

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Name is this: Emman - u - el: As was foretold in days of old By Ga - bri-el. 8. Midnight scarce-ly  
 Dó - mi - ni Em - má - nu - el, quod an-nun - ti - á - tum est per Gá - bri-el. 8. Hó - di - e ap -

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pass'd and o - ver, Drawing to this ho - ly morn, Ve - ry ear - ly, ve - ry ear - ly Christ was born.  
 pá - ru - it, ap - pá - ru - it in Is - ra - él, Ex Ma-rí - a vír - gi - ne est na - tus Rex.

## JOSEPH, O DEAR JOSEPH MINE

Josef, Lieber Josef Mein, 16th Century

Resonet in laudibus, 14th Century

1. Jo - seph, O dear Jo - seph mine, Help me rock the Child di-vine,  
 2. I will glad - ly, la - dy mine, Help thee rock the Child di-vine,

5 God re - ward both thee and thine, In par - a-dise, So prays the moth - er,  
 God's pure light on thee will shine, In par - a-dise, So prays the moth - er,

9 Ma - ry. E - ia, E - ia, E - ia. He came down at

16 Christmas time, In the town of Beth-lehem, in Beth - le - hem. Bring-ing to men

cresc.

22 far and wide, Love's di - a - dem, E - ia, E - ia, Lul - - - la - by.

## O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

Phillips Brooks (1835-1893)

Lewis H. Redner (1831-1908)

1. O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, How still we see thee lie!  
 2. For Christ is born of Ma - ry, And gath - er'd all a - bove,  
 3. How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly The won - drous gift is giv'n!  
 4. Where chil - dren pure and hap - py pray to the bless - ed Child,  
 5. O ho - ly Child of Beth - le - hem! De - scend to us, we pray;

A - bove thy deep and dream-less sleep The si - lent stars go by;  
 While mor - tals sleep, the an - gels keep Their watch of won-dring love.  
 So God im - parts to hu - man hearts The bless - ings of His Heav'n.  
 Where mis - e - ry cries out to Thee, Son of the mo - ther mild;  
 Cast out our sin, and en - ter in, Be born in us to - day.

Yet in thy dark streets shin - eth The ev - er - last - ing Light;  
 O morn - ing stars, to - geth - er Pro - claim the ho - ly birth!  
 No ear may hear His com - ing, But in this world of sin;  
 Where cha - ri - ty stands watch - ing and faith holds wide the door,  
 We hear the Christ - mas an - gels The great glad tid - ings tell;

The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee to - night.  
 And prais - es sing to God the King, And peace to men on earth!  
 Where meek souls will re - ceive Him still, The dear Christ en - ters in.  
 The dark night wakes, the glo - ry breaks, and Christ-mas comes once more  
 O come to us, a - bide with us, Our Lord Em - man - u - el!

CHRISTMAS  
HYMN FOR CHRISTMAS DAY

Edward Caswall (1814-1878)

Sir John Goss (1800-1880)

1. See a - mid the win - ter's snow, Born for us on earth be - low,  
 2. Lo, with - in a man - ger lies He who built the star - ry skies;  
 3. Say, ye ho - ly Shep - herds, say, What your joy - ful news to - day;  
 4. "As we watched at dead of night, Lo, we saw a won - drous light;  
 5. Sa - cred In - fant, all Di - vine, What a ten - der love was Thine;  
 6. Teach, O teach us, Ho - ly Child, By Thy Face so meek and mild,  
 7. Vir - gin Mo - ther, Ma - ry blest By the joys that fill thy breast,

*p*

5 See the ten - der Lamb ap - pears, Prom-ised from e - ter - nal years.  
 He, who throned in height sub - lime, Sits a - mid the Cher - u - bim!  
 Where - fore have ye left your sheep On the lone - ly moun - tain steep?  
 An - gels sing - ing peace on earth, Told us of the Sav - ior's Birth."  
 Thus to come from high - est bliss Down to such a world as this!  
 Teach us to re - sem - ble Thee, In Thy sweet hu - mil - i - ty!  
 Pray for us, that we may prove Wor - thy of the Sav - ior's love.

*p*

9 *ff* Hail! Thou ev - er bless - ed morn! Hail, Redemp - tion's hap - py dawn!

13 Sing through all Je - ru - sa - lem, Christ is born in Beth - le - hem.

CHRISTMAS  
WHAT CHILD IS THIS?

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William C. Dix (1837-1898)

16th Century English Air

Arranged by Sir John Stainer (1840-1901)

1. What Child is this, Who, laid to rest, On Ma - ry's lap is sleep - ing?  
**mf** 2. Why lies He in such mean es - tate, Where ox and ass are feed - ing?  
3. So bring Him in - cense, gold, and myrrh, Come peas - ant, king, to own Him;

Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet, While shep - herds watch are keep - ing?  
Good Chris - tian, fear: for sin - ners here The si - lent Word is plead - ing:  
The King of kings, sal - va - tion brings; Let lov - ing hearts en-throne Him.

**ff** This, this is Christ the King; Whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing:  
Nails, spear, shall pierce Him through, The Cross be borne, for me, for you:  
Raise, raise the song on high The Vir - gin sings her lul - la - by:

13 Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The Babe, the Son of Ma - ry!  
Hail, hail the Word made flesh, The Babe, the Son of Ma - ry!  
Joy, joy for Christ is born, The Babe, the Son of Ma - ry!

CHRISTMAS  
GOOD KING WENCESLAS

John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

*Tempus adest floridum*, from *Piae Cantiones*, 1582

Arranged by Sir John Stainer (1840-1901)

Moderato

**c**

1. Good King Wen - ces - las look'd out  
2. "Hith - er, page, and stand by me,  
3. "Bring me flesh, and bring me wine,  
4. "Sire, the night is dark - er now,  
5. In his mas - ter's steps he trod,

On the Feast of Ste - phen,  
If thou know'st it, tell - ing;  
Bring me pine - logs hith - er;  
And the wind blows strong - er;  
Where the snow lay dint - ed;

**f**

When the snow lay round a - bout, Deep and crisp and e - ven;  
Yon - der peas - ant, who is he? Where, and what his dwell - ing?"  
Thou and I will see him dine When we bear them thith - er."  
Fails my heart, I know not how, I can go no long - er."  
Heat was in the ve - ry sod Which the saint had print - ed;

Bright - ly shone the moon that night, Tho' the frost was cru - el,  
"Sire, he lives a good league hence, Un - der - neath the moun - tain;  
Page and mon - arch forth they went, Forth they went to - geth - er;  
"Mark my foot - steps, my good page, Tread thou in them bold - ly:  
There - fore, Chris - tian men, be sure, Wealth or rank pos - sess - ing,

*poco più lento*

13 When a poor man came in sight, Gath - ring win - ter fu - - - el.  
Right a - gainst the for - est fence, By Saint Ag - nes' foun - - tain.  
Thro' the rude wind's wild la - ment And the bit - ter weath - er.  
Thou shalt find the win - ter's rage Freeze thy blood less cold - ly."  
Ye who now will bless the poor, Shall your - selves find bless - ing.

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Musical score for the first stanza of 'Good King Wenceslas'. The music is in common time, key signature is C minor (two flats). The vocal line is in soprano range. The piano accompaniment consists of simple harmonic chords.

1. Good King Wen - ces - las look'd out  
 2. "Hith - er, page, and stand by me,  
 3. "Bring me flesh, and bring me wine,  
 4. "Sire, the night is dark - er now,  
 5. In his mas - ter's steps he trod,

On the Feast of Ste - phen,  
 If thou know'st it, tell - ing;  
 Bring me pine - logs hith - er;  
 And the wind blows strong - er;  
 Where the snow lay dint - ed;

Musical score for the second stanza of 'Good King Wenceslas'. The music continues in common time, key signature is C minor (two flats). The vocal line is in soprano range. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support.

When the snow lay round a - bout,  
 Yon - der peas - ant, who is he?  
 Thou and I will see him dine  
 Fails my heart, I know not how,  
 Heat was in the ve - ry sod

Deep and crisp and e - ven;  
 Where, and what his dwell - ing?"  
 When we bear them thith - er.  
 I can go no long - er."  
 Which the saint had print - ed;

Musical score for the third stanza of 'Good King Wenceslas'. The music continues in common time, key signature is C minor (two flats). The vocal line is in soprano range. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support.

Bright - ly shone the moon that night,  
 "Sire, he lives a good league hence,  
 Page and mon - arch forth they went,  
 "Mark my foot - steps, my good page,  
 There - fore, Chris - tian men, be sure,

Tho' the frost was cru - el,  
 Un - der - neath the moun - tain;  
 Forth they went to - geth - er;  
 Tread thou in them bold - ly:  
 Wealth or rank pos - sess - ing,

Musical score for the fourth stanza of 'Good King Wenceslas'. The music continues in common time, key signature is C minor (two flats). The vocal line is in soprano range. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support.

When a poor man came in sight,  
 Right a - gainst the for - est fence,  
 Thro' the rude wind's wild la - ment  
 Thou shalt find the win - ter's rage  
 Ye who now will bless the poor,

Gath - ring win - ter fu - - el.  
 By Saint Ag - nes' foun - - tain.  
 And the bit - ter weath - er.  
 Freeze thy blood less cold - ly."  
 Shall your - selves find bless - ing.

CHRISTMAS  
IN NATALI DOMINI

14th Century

Melody from Nürnberg Gesangbuch, 1544

Arranged by G.H. Palmer

1. In na - tá - li Dó - mi - ni, Gau - dent om - nes An - ge - li  
 2. Nun - ti - á - vit An - ge - lus Gáu - di - um pas - tó - ri - bus,

Et can - tant cum jú - bi - lo : Gló - ri - a u - ni De - o.  
 Chris - ti na - ti - vi - tá - tem Ma - gnam ju - cun - di - tá - tem.

17 Chorus

Vir-go De - um gé-nu - it, Vir-go Chris-tum pé - pe - rit, Vir-go sem - per in-tác - ta.

29 Additional verses

3. Na - tus est E - má - nu - el, Quem præ - dí - xit Gá - bri - el,  
 4. Chris - tus na - tus hó - di - e Ex Ma - rí - a vír - gi - ne,

Tes - tis est E - zé - chi - el : A Pa - tre pro - cés - sit.  
 Non con - cép - tus sé - mi - ne Ap - pá - ru - it hó - di - e:

## ON THE BIRTHDAY OF THE LORD

*In natali Domini, 14th Century*

John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

Translated by Rev. H. R. Bramley (1833-1917) from Latin

1. On the Birth-day of the Lord An - gels joy in glad ac -  
 2. These good news an An - gel told To the shep - herds by their  
 3. Born is now Em - man - u - el, He, an - nounced by Ga - bri -  
 4. Born to - day is Christ the Child, Born of Ma - ry un - de -

8  
 cord, And they sing in the sweet - est tone Glo - ry be to  
 fold, Told them of the Sav - ior's Birth, Told them of the  
 el, He, Whom Pro - phets old at - test, Com - eth from His  
 filed, Born the King and Lord we own; Glo - ry be to

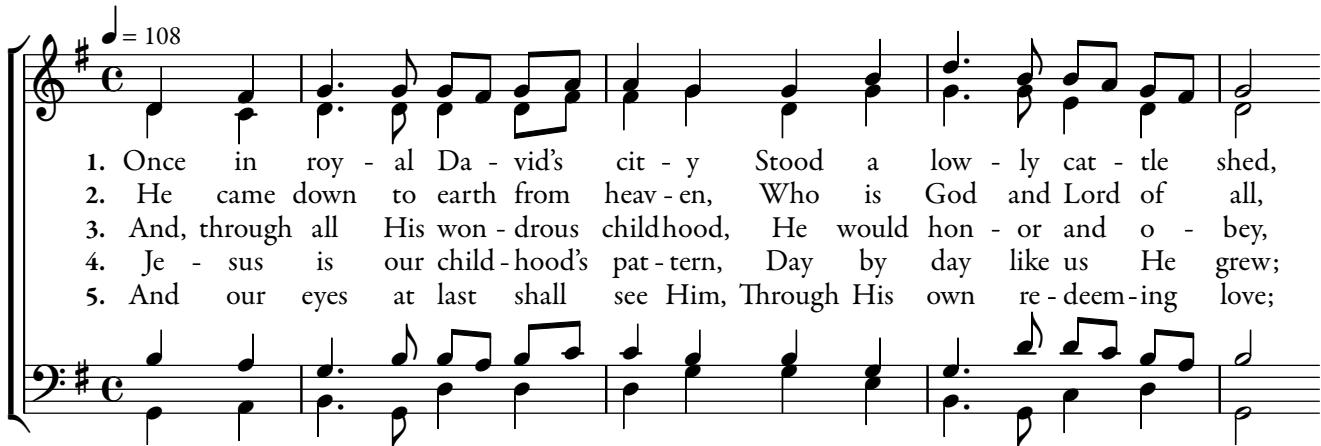
15  
 God a - lone, Glo - ry be to God a - lone.  
 joy for earth, Told them of the joy for earth.  
 Fa - ther's Breast, Com - eth from His Fa - ther's Breast.  
 God a - lone, Glo - ry be to God a - lone.

21  
 God is born of maid-en fair, Ma - ry doth the Sav - ior  
 bear; Ma - ry ev - er pure, Ma - ry ev - er pure.

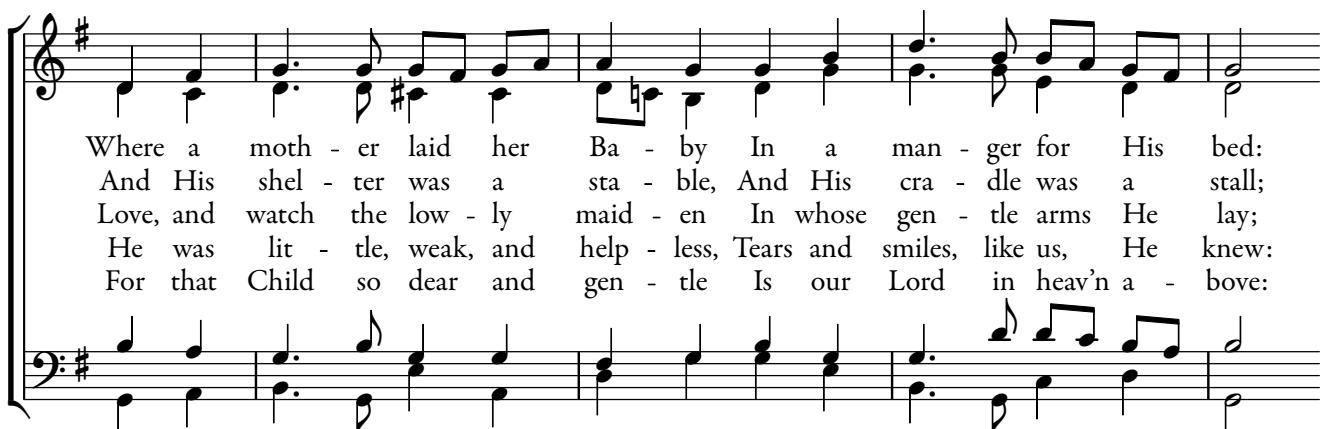
## ONCE IN ROYAL DAVID'S CITY

Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895)

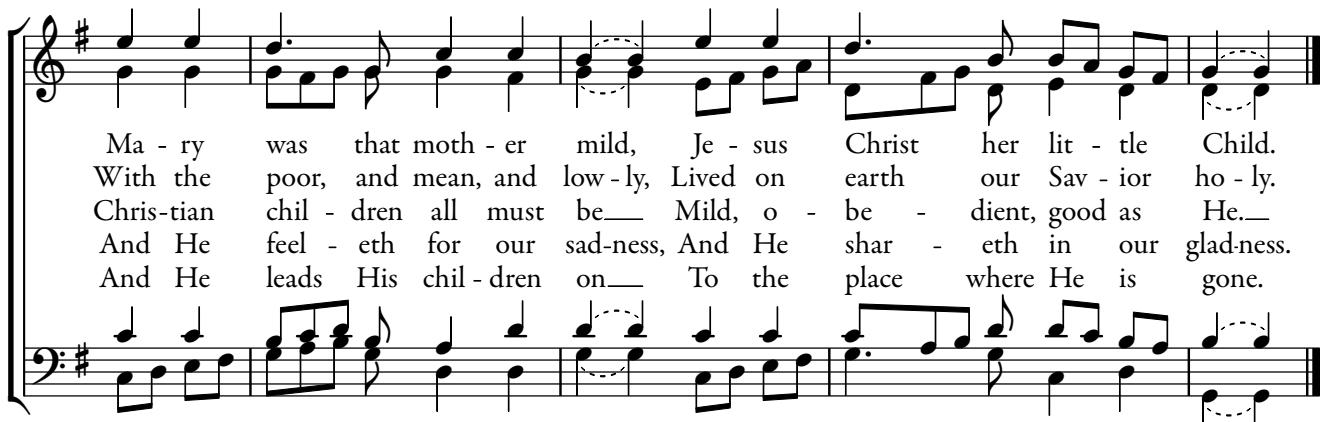
Henry J. Gauntlett (1805-1876)



1. Once in roy - al Da - vid's cit - y Stood a low - ly cat - tle shed,  
 2. He came down to earth from heav - en, Who is God and Lord of all,  
 3. And, through all His won - drous childhood, He would hon - or and o - obey,  
 4. Je - sus is our child - hood's pat - tern, Day by day like us He grew;  
 5. And our eyes at last shall see Him, Through His own re - deem - ing love;



Where a moth - er laid her Ba - by In a man - ger for His bed:  
 And His shel - ter was a sta - ble, And His cra - dle was a stall;  
 Love, and watch the low - ly maid - en In whose gen - tle arms He lay;  
 He was lit - tle, weak, and help - less, Tears and smiles, like us, He knew:  
 For that Child so dear and gen - tle Is our Lord in heav'n a - bove:



Ma - ry was that moth - er mild, Je - sus Christ her lit - tle Child.  
 With the poor, and mean, and low - ly, Lived on earth our Sav - ior ho - ly.  
 Chris-tian chil - dren all must be Mild, o - be - dient, good as He.  
 And He feel - eth for our sad-ness, And He shar - eth in our glad-ness.  
 And He leads His chil - dren on To the place where He is gone.

## PAST THREE A CLOCK

George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848-1934)

London Waits

Arranged by Charles Wood (1866-1926)

Past three a clock, And a cold frost - y morn - ing, Past three a clock; Good

*Fine*

morrow, mas - ters all!

1. Born is a Ba - by, Gen - tle as may be,
2. Ser - aph quire sing - eth, An - gel bell ring - eth;
3. Mid earth re - joic - es Hear - ing such voi - ces
4. Hinds o'er the pear - ly Dew - y lawn ear - ly

13 Son of th'e - ter - nal Fa - ther su - per - nal. 5. Cheese from the dai - ry

Hark how they rime it, Time it, and chime it. 6. Light out of star - land

Ne'er-to - fore so well Ca - rol - ling No - él. 7. Myrrh from full cof - fer,

Seek the high Stran - ger Laid in the man - ger. 8. Thus they: I pray you,

19 Bring they for Ma - ry, And, not for mon - ey, But - ter and hon - ey.

Lead - eth from far land Prin - ces, to meet Him, Wor - ship and greet Him.

In - cense they of - fer; Nor is the gol - den Nug - get with - hol - den.

Up, sirs nor stay you Till ye con - fess Him Like - wise, and bless Him.

D.C.

## BRING A TORCH, JEANETTE, ISABELLA!

*Un flambeau, Jeannette, Isabelle*, by Émile Blémont (1839-1927)

English by Edward Cuthbert Nunn (1868-1914)

16th Century French Carol

Arranged by Edward Cuthbert Nunn (1868-1914)

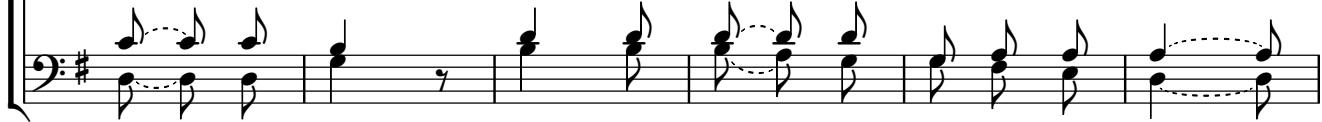
Brightly



1. Bring a torch, Jean - nette, Is - a - bel - la! Bring a torch, to the  
 2. Who goes there a - knock - ing so loud - ly? Who goes there a -  
 3. It is wrong when the Child is sleep - ing, It is wrong to  
 4. Soft - ly to the lit - tle sta - ble, Soft - ly for a



cra - dle, run! It is Je - sus, good folk of the vil - lage;  
 knock-ing like that? Ope your doors, I have here on a plate Some  
 talk so loud; Si - lence, all, as you gath - er a - round,  
 mo - ment come; Look and see how charm-ing is Je - sus,



Christ is born and Ma - ry's call - ing: Ah! ah! beau - ti - ful  
 ve - ry good cakes which I am bring - ing: Toc! toc! quick-ly your  
 Lest your noise should wak - en Je - sus: Hush! hush! see - how  
 How He is white, His cheeks are ros - y! Hush! hush! see how the



is the Moth - er; Ah! ah! beau - ti - ful is her Son!\_\_\_\_\_  
 doors now o - pen; Toc! toc! Come let us make good cheer!\_\_\_\_\_  
 fast He slum - bers! Hush! hush! see - how fast He sleeps!\_\_\_\_\_  
 Child is sleep - ing; Hush! hush! see how He smiles in dreams.\_\_\_\_



## THE ANGEL GABRIEL

Translated and Adapted by Sabine Baring-Gould (1834-1924)

Basque Carol

1. The an - gel Ga - bri - el from heav - en came, \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. "For know a bles - sed Mo - ther thou shalt be, \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. Then gen - tle Ma - ry meek - ly bowed her head, \_\_\_\_\_  
 4. Of her, Em-man - u - el, the Christ, was born \_\_\_\_\_

His wings as drif - ted snow, his eyes \_\_\_\_\_ a - flame; \_\_\_\_\_  
 All ge - ne - ra - tions laud and hon - - or thee, \_\_\_\_\_  
 "To me be as it plea - seth God," \_\_\_\_\_ she said, \_\_\_\_\_  
 In Beth - le - hem, all on a Christ - mas morn, \_\_\_\_\_

"All hail," said he, "thou low - ly maid - en Ma - - ry, \_\_\_\_\_  
 Thy Son shall be Em - man - u - el, by seers fore - told, \_\_\_\_\_  
 "My soul shall laud and mag - ni - fy His ho - ly Name." \_\_\_\_\_  
 And Chris - tian folk throughout the world will ev - er say, \_\_\_\_\_

Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Gló - - - ri - a! \_\_\_\_\_  
 Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Gló - - - ri - a! \_\_\_\_\_  
 Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy, Gló - - - ri - a! \_\_\_\_\_  
 "Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Gló - - - ri - a! \_\_\_\_\_

## ANGELUS AD VIRGINEM

13th Century

Anonymous, 13th Century

1. An - gelus ad vír - ginem Sub - ín - trans in con - clá - ve. Vír - gi - nis for - mí - dinem De -  
2. Quómodo con - cí - perem, quæ vi - rum non co - gnó - vi? Quá - li - ter in - frín - ge rem, quæ

múl-cens in - quit "A - ve." A - ve re - gí - na vír - gi - num, Cæ - li ter - ræ - que  
fir - ma men - te vo - vi? 'Spí - ri - tus Sanc - ti gra - ti - a Per - fi - ci - et hæc

13 Dó - minum Con - cí - pi - es Et pá - ri - es In - tác - ta, Sa - lú - tem  
óm - ni - a; Ne tí - me - as, sed gáu - de - as, se - cù - ra, quod cas - ti -

18 hó - minum. Tu por - ta cæ - li fac - ta Medél - la crí - minum.  
mó - ni - a Ma - né - bit in te pu - ra De - i pot - én - ti - a'

23

3. Ad hæc vir - go nó - bi - lis Re - spón - dens in - quit e - i; An - cíl - la sum  
 4. An - ge - lus dis - pá - ru - it Et sta - tim pu - el - lá - ris U - te - rus in -  
 5. E - ia Ma - ter Dó - mi - ni, Quæ pa - cem red - di - dís - ti An - ge - lis et

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hú - mi - lis Om - ni - pot - én - tis De - i. Ti - bi cæ - lés - ti nún - ti -  
 tú - mu - it Vi par - tus sa - lu - tá - ris. Qui, cir - cùm - da - tus ú - te -  
 hó - mi - ni, Cum Chris - tum ge - nu - ís - ti; Tu - um ex - ó - ra fí - li -

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o, Tan - ta se - cré - ti có - nsci - o, Con - sén - ti - ens Et cú - pi - ens Vi - dé -  
 ro No - vem mén - si - um nú - me - ro, Hinc éx - i - it Et ín - i - it Conflíc -  
 um Ut se no - bis pro - pí - ti - um Ex - hí - be - at, Et dé - le - at Pec - cá -

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re fac - tum quod áu - di - o, Pa - rá - ta sum pa - ré - re De - i con - sí - li - o,  
 tum, Af - fí - gens hú - mero Cru - cem, qua de - dit ic - tum Hos - ti mor - tí - fe - ro.  
 ta; Præstans au - xí - li - um Vi - ta fru - i be - á - ta Post hoc ex - sí - li - um.

## GOD REST YOU MERRY, GENTLEMEN

Traditional

Traditional

Arranged by Sir John Stainer (1840-1901)

1. God rest you mer - ry, gen - tle - men, Let noth - ing you dis - may,  
**mf** 2. In Beth - le - hem in Jew - ry, This bless - ed Babe was born,  
3. From God our Heav'n - ly Fa - ther, A bless - ed An - gel came;

Re - mem - ber Christ our Sav - ior Was born on Christ-mas Day,  
And laid with - in a man - ger, Up - on this bless - ed Morn;  
And un - to cer - tain Shep - herds Brought ti - dings of the same:

To save us all from Sa - tan's pow'r When we were gone a - stray;  
The which His Moth - er Ma - ry, Did noth - ing take in scorn.  
How that in Beth - le - hem was born The Son of God by Name.

13 

**ff** O - ti-dings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy, O - ti - dings of comfort and joy.

21

4. "Fear not then," said the An - gel, "Let noth - ing you af - fright,  
 5. The shep - herds at those ti - dings Re - joic - ed much in mind,  
 6. And when they came to Beth - le - hem Where our dear Sav - ior lay,  
 7. Now to the Lord sing prais - es, All you with - in this place,

This day is born a Sav - ior Of a pure Vir - gin bright,  
 And left their flocks a - feed - ing, In tem - pest, storm, and wind:  
 They found Him in a man - ger, Where ox - en feed on hay;  
 And with true love and bro - ther-hood Each oth - er now em - brace;

To free all those who trust in Him From Sa - tan's pow'r and might."  
 And went to Beth - le - hem straight way, The Son of God to find.  
 His Moth - er Ma - ry kneel - ing down, Un - to the Lord did pray.  
 This ho - ly tide of Christ - mas All oth - er doth de - face.

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**ff** O\_ ti-dings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy, O\_ ti - dings of comfort and joy.

## CAROL OF THE SHEPHERDS

English by Eda Lou Walton (1894-1961)

17th Century Bohemian Carol

1. Come, all ye shepherds and be not dismayed,  
 2. As we were watching our flocks where they lay,  
 3. Now we have found Him in Beth-le-hem stall,

Seek where the low - ly sweet ba - by is laid;  
 Shown a great glo - ry as bright as the day.  
 Sing the glad ti - dings, oh, sing them to all!

Here in a man - ger, far from all dan - ger, Sleep - ing be - hold Him,  
 Glad bells were ring - ing, sweet voi - ces sing - ing, Through heav'n's blue por - tals,  
 Shep - herds a - dore Him, wise men be - fore Him Lay down their dow - er,

Warm arms en - fold Him In Christ - mas joy.  
 "Good will to mor - tals;" Christ - mas is come.  
 In glitt - ring show - er, Christ - mas is come.

## WHILE SHEPHERDS WATCHED THEIR FLOCKS

Nahum Tate (1652-1715)

Adapted from George F. Handel

1. While shepherds watch'd their flocks by night; All seat-ed on the ground; The  
 2. "To you, in Da - vid's town, this day Is born of Da - vid's line, A  
 3. The heav'n-ly Babe you there shall find, To hu-man view dis - play'd, All  
 4. "All glo - ry be to God on high, And to the earth be peace; Good-

an - gel of the Lord came down, And glo - ry shone a - round, And glo - ry shone a-round.  
 Sav - ior, Who is Christ the Lord, And this shall be the sign, And this shall be the sign:  
 mean - ly wrapp'd in swad - dling bands, And in a man-ger laid, And in a man-ger laid."  
 will henceforth from heav'n to men Be - gin, and nev - er cease! Be - gin, and nev - er cease!"

from *Sunday School Hymns No. 1, 1903*, via [HymnsAndCarolsOfChristmas.com](http://HymnsAndCarolsOfChristmas.com)

## WHILE SHEPHERDS WATCHED THEIR FLOCKS

Nahum Tate (1652-1715)

Winchester Old, by George Kirbye (c. 1565-1634)

1. While shep - herds watch'd their flocks by night, All seat - ed on the ground,  
 2. "Fear not," said he, for might - y dread Had seized their troub-led mind;  
 3. "To you, in Da - vid's town, this day, Is born of Da - vid's line,  
 4. "The heav'n - ly Babe you there shall find To hu - man view dis - play'd,  
 5. Thus spake the ser - aph, and forth-with Ap - peared a shin - ing throng  
 6. "All glo - ry be to God on high And to the earth be peace;

The an - gel of the Lord came down, And glo - ry shone a - round,  
 "Glad tid - ings of great joy I bring To you and all man - kind,  
 A Sav - ior, Who is Christ the Lord; And this shall be the sign,  
 All mean - ly wrapp'd in swad - dling clothes, And in a man-ger laid,  
 Of an - gels prais - ing God, Who thus Ad - dressed their joy - ful song,  
 Good - will henceforth from heav'n to men, Be - gin and nev - er cease,

from *Church Sunday School Hymn-Book, 1892*, via [HymnsAndCarolsOfChristmas.com](http://HymnsAndCarolsOfChristmas.com)

CHRISTMAS  
THE WEXFORD CAROL

Traditional, 16th Century or earlier

Traditional

1. Good peo - ple all, this Christmas time,  
2. The night be - fore that hap - py tide,  
3. Let all your songs and prais - es be,

Con - sid - er well, and bear in mind,  
The no - ble Vir - gin and her guide  
Un - to His Heav'n - ly Ma - je - sty;

What our good God for us has done,  
Were long time seek - ing up and down  
And ev - er - more, a - mongst our mirth,

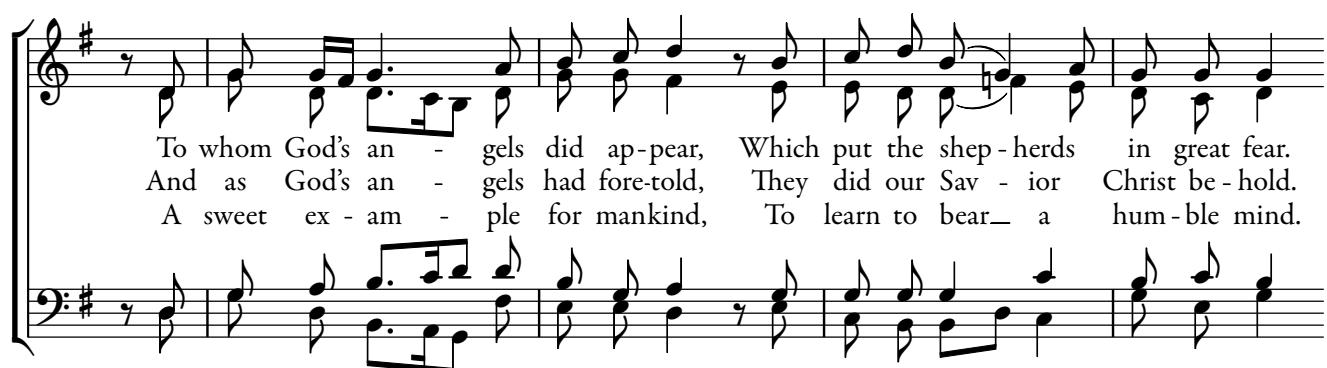
In send - ing His be - lov-ed Son.  
To find a lodg - ing in the town.  
Re - mem - ber Christ our Savior's birth.

With Ma - ry ho - ly, we should pray To God with love this Christmas day;  
But mark how all things came to pass: From ev - 'ry door re - pelled A - las!  
That night the Vir - gin Ma - ry mild, Was safe de - liv - er'd of a child;

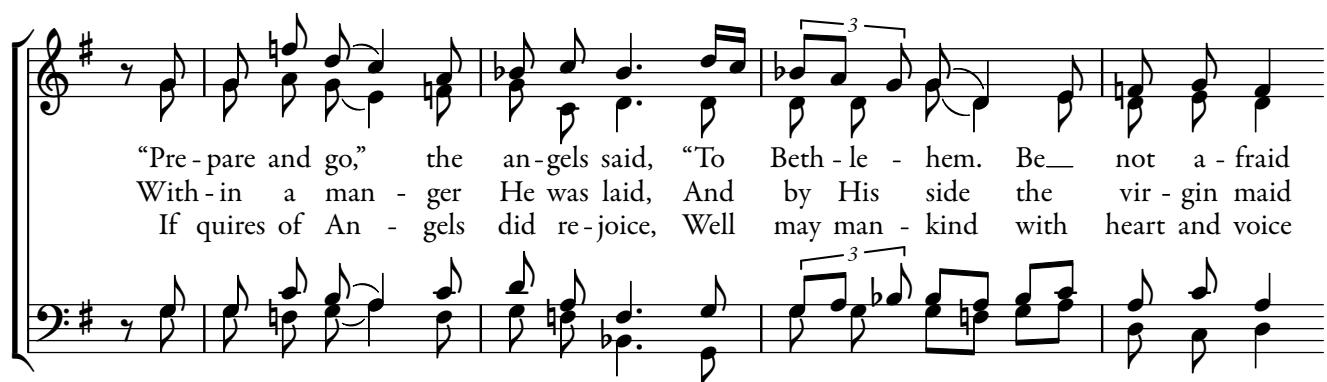
In Beth - le - hem up - on that morn, There was a bless-ed Mes - si - ah born.  
As long fore - told their ref - uge all Was but a hum - ble ox -'s stall.  
Ac - cord - ing un - to Heav'n - s de - cree, Man's sweet sal - va - tion for to be.



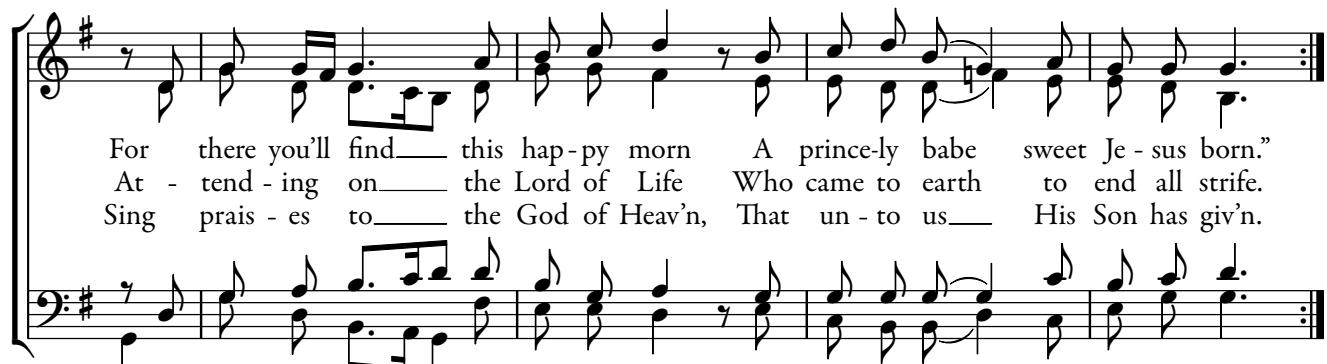
4. Near Beth - le - hem did shep - herds keep Their flocks of lambs and feed-ing sheep;  
 5. With thank-ful heart and joy - ful mind, The shepherds went the babe to find,  
 6. See how the Lord of Heav'n and earth, Show'd Him-self low - ly in His birth;



To whom God's an - gels did ap-pear, Which put the shep - herds in great fear.  
 And as God's an - gels had fore-told, They did our Sav - ior Christ be - hold.  
 A sweet ex - am - ple for mankind, To learn to bear a hum - ble mind.



"Pre - pare and go," the an-gels said, "To Beth - le - hem. Be not a - fraid  
 With - in a man - ger He was laid, And by His side the vir - gin maid  
 If quires of An - gels did re - joice, Well may man - kind with heart and voice



For there you'll find this hap - py morn A prince-ly babe sweet Je - sus born."  
 At - tend - ing on the Lord of Life Who came to earth to end all strife.  
 Sing prais - es to the God of Heav'n, That un - to us His Son has giv'n.

## A CAROL FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

Traditional

Traditional

1. The Lord at first had A - dam made Out of the dust and clay,  
**mf** 2. And thus with - in the gar - den he Was set, there - in to stay;  
 3. "For in the day thou shalt it touch Or dost to it come nigh,

And in his nos - trils breath - ed life, E'en as the Scrip - tures say.  
 And in com - mand - ment un - to him These words the Lord did say:  
 If so thou do but eat there - of, Then thou shalt sure - ly die."

**p** And then in E - den's Pa - ra - dise He pla - ced him to dwell,  
 "The fruit which in the gar - den grows To thee shall be for meat,  
 But A - dam he did take no heed Un - to that on - ly thing,

That he with - in it should re - main, To dress and keep it well.  
 Ex - cept the tree in midst there - of, Of which thou shalt not eat."  
 But did trans - gress God's ho - ly Law, And so was wrapt in sin.

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**ff** Now let good Chris - tians all be - gin A ho - lier life to live,

And to rejoice and mer - ry be, For this is Christ-mas Eve.

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4. Now mark the good - ness of the Lord, Which He to man-kind bore;  
**mf** 5. Which prom - ise now is brought to pass: Chris - tians, be - lieve it well:  
 6. And now the tide is nigh at hand, In which our Sav - ior came;

His mer - cy soon He did ex - tend, Lost man for to re - store:  
 And by the death of God's dear Son, We are re-deemed from Hell.  
 Let us re - joice and mer - ry be In keep - ing of the same;

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And there - fore to re - deem our souls From death and hell and thrall,  
**p** So if we tru - ly do be - lieve, And do the thing that's right,  
 Let's feed the poor and hun - gry souls. And such as do it crave;

He said His own dear Son should be The Sav - ior of us all.  
 Then by His mer - its we at last Shall live in heav - en bright.  
 And when we die, in heav - en we Our sure re - ward shall have.

## CHRISTIANS, AWAKE, SALUTE THE HAPPY MORN

John Byrom (1692-1763)

John Wainwright (1723-1768)

Majestically

1. Christ-i-ans, a - wake, sa - lute the hap-py morn, Where - on the Sav-ior of man-  
 2. Then to the watch - ful shepherds it was told, Who heard th'an - gel - ic her - ald's  
 3. He spake; and straight - way the ce - les-tial choir In hymns of joy, unknown be -

kind was born; Rise to a - dore the mys-ter - y of love,  
 voice: "Be - hold, I bring good ti - dings of a Sav-ior's birth  
 fore, con - spire: The prais - es of re - deem-ing love they sang,

13 Which hosts of an - gels chant-ed from a - bove; With them the joy - ful  
 To you and all the na-tions up - on earth: This day hath God ful -  
 And heav'n's whole arch with al - le - lu - ias rang: God's high - est glo - ry

ti - dings first be - gun Of God In - car - nate and the Vir - gin's Son.  
 fill'd His promised word, This day is born a Sav-ior, Christ, the Lord."  
 was their an-them still, Peace up - on earth, and un - to men, good - will.

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4. To Bethl'hem straight the hap - py shep-herds ran,  
 5. Let us, like these good shepherds, then em - ploy  
 6. Then may we hope, th'an - gel - ic thrones a - mong,

To see the won - der God had  
 Our grate-ful voi - ces to pro -  
 To sing, re-deemed, a glad tri -

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wrought for man: And found, with Jo - seph and the bless - ed maid,  
 claim the joy; Trace we the Babe, Who hath re-trieved our loss,  
 um - phal song; He, that was borne up - on this joy - ful day,

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Her Son, the Sav - ior in a man - ger laid; A - mazed the won - drous  
 From His poor man-ger to His bit - ter Cross; Tread - ing His steps, as -  
 A - round us all His glo - ry shall dis - play; Saved by His love, in -

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sto - ry they pro - claim, The ear - liest her-alds of the Sav - ior's name.  
 sist - ed by His grace, Till man's first heav'n-ly state a - gain takes place.  
 ces-sant we shall sing Of an - gels and of an - gel - men, the King.

CHRISTMAS  
THE COVENTRY CAROL

Robert Croo, 1534

16th Century English Carol

Adapted and Arranged by Sir John Stainer (1840-1901)

## THE COVENTRY CAROL

Robert Croo, 1534

16th Century English Carol

Arranged by Martin Fallas Shaw (1875-1958)

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Lul - ly, lul - lay, Thou lit - tle ti - ny Child, By, by, lul - ly, lul - lay;

1. O sis - ters too, how may we do, For to pre -  
 2. Her - od, the king, in his rag - ing, Charg - ed he  
 3. Then woe is me, poor Child, for Thee! And ev - er

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serve this day; This poor Young - ling for whom we  
 hath this day; His men of - might, in his own  
 mourn and say; For Thy part - ing nor say nor

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sing By, by, lul - ly, lul - lay?  
 sight, All chil - dren young to slay.  
 sing, By, by, lul - ly, lul - lay.

## ALL MY HEART THIS NIGHT REJOICES

*Fröhlich soll mein Herze springen*, by Paul Gerhardt, 1653

Johann Georg Ebeling (1637–1676)

Translated by Catherine Winkworth, 1858

1. All my heart this night re - joic - ces,  
 2. Hark! a voice from yon - der man - ger,  
 3. Come then let us hast - en yon - der;  
 4. Thee, dear Lord, with thee I cher - ish;

5 As I hear, Far and near, Sweet - est an - gel voi - - ces;  
 Soft and sweet, Doth en - treat, "Flee from woe and dan - - ger;  
 Here let all, Great and small, Kneel in awe and won - - der.  
 Live to thee, and with thee, Dy - ing shall not per - - ish;

9 "Christ is born," their choirs are sing - - ing,  
 Breth - ren come; from all that grieves you.  
 Love Him who with love is yearn - - ing;  
 But shall swell with thee for ev - - er,

13 Till the air, Ev - 'ry - where, Now with joy is ring - - ing.  
 You are freed; All you need I will sure - ly give you."  
 Hail the star that from far bright with hope is burn - - ing.  
 Far on high, in the joy that can al - ter nev - - er.

## I SAW THREE SHIPS

Traditional

*Briskly.*

Traditional English (Derbyshire)

1. I saw three ships come sail - ing in, On Christ - mas day, on Christ - mas day,  
 2. And what was in those ships all three, On Christ - mas day, on Christ - mas day,  
 3. The Vir - gin Ma - ry and Christ were there, On Christ - mas day, on Christ - mas day,  
 4. Pray, whith - er sailed those ships all three, On Christ - mas day, on Christ - mas day,

I saw three ships come sail - ing in, On Christ - mas day in the morn - ing.  
 And what was in those ships all three, On Christ - mas day in the morn - ing.  
 The Vir - gin Ma - ry and Christ were there, On Christ - mas day in the morn - ing.  
 Pray, whith - er sailed those ships all three, On Christ - mas day in the morn - ing.

5. O they sailed in - to Beth - le - hem, On Christ - mas day, on Christ - mas day,  
 6. And all the bells on earth shall ring, On Christ - mas day, on Christ - mas day,  
 7. And all the An-gels in Heav'n shall sing, On Christ - mas day, on Christ - mas day,  
 8. And all the souls on earth shall sing, On Christ - mas day, on Christ - mas day,  
 9. Then let us all re - joice a - main, On Christ - mas day, on Christ - mas day,

O they sailed in - to Beth - le - hem, On Christ - mas day in the morn - ing.  
 And all the bells on earth shall ring, On Christ - mas day in the morn - ing.  
 And all the An-gels in Heav'n shall sing, On Christ - mas day in the morn - ing.  
 And all the souls on earth shall sing, On Christ - mas day in the morn - ing.  
 Then let us all re - joice a - main, On Christ - mas day in the morn - ing.

CHRISTMAS  
THE SEVEN JOYS OF MARY

Traditional

Old English

*mf*

1. The first good joy that Ma - ry had, It was the joy of  
2-7. The next good joy that Ma - ry had, It was the joy of

*mf*

*mf*

1. one; To see the bless - ed Je - sus Christ,  
2. two; To see her own Son Je - sus Christ,  
3. three; To see her own Son Je - sus Christ,  
4-7. four, five, etc.; To see her own Son Je - sus Christ,

*mf*

*f*

1. When He was first her Son.  
2. Mak-ing the lame to go.  
3. Mak-ing the blind to see.  
4. Read-ing the Bi - ble o'er.  
5. Rais-ing the dead to life.  
6. Up - on the Cru - ci - fix.  
7. A - scand - ing in - to heav'n.

When He was first her Son,  
Mak-ing the lame to go,  
Mak-ing the blind to see,  
Read-ing the Bi - ble o'er,  
Rais-ing the dead to life,  
Up - on the Cru - ci - fix,  
A - scand - ing in - to heav'n,

*f*

*ff*

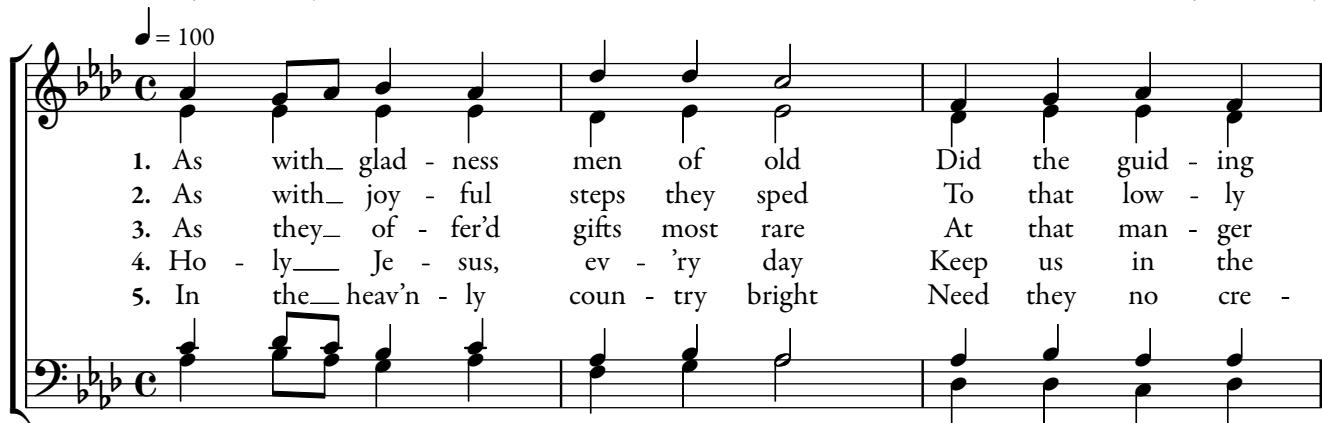
Good Lord; And happy may we be; Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost To all e-ter-ni-ty.

*ff*

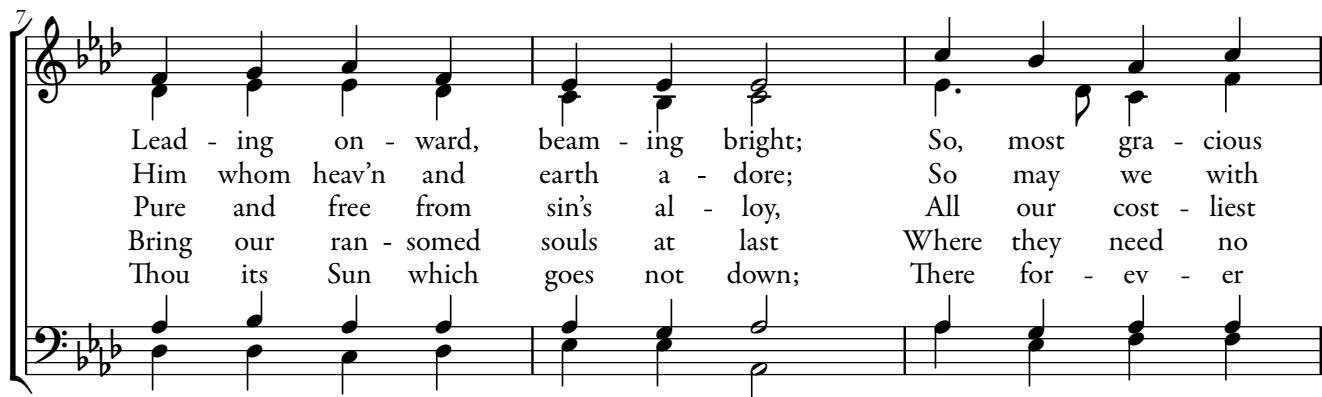
## AS WITH GLADNESS MEN OF OLD

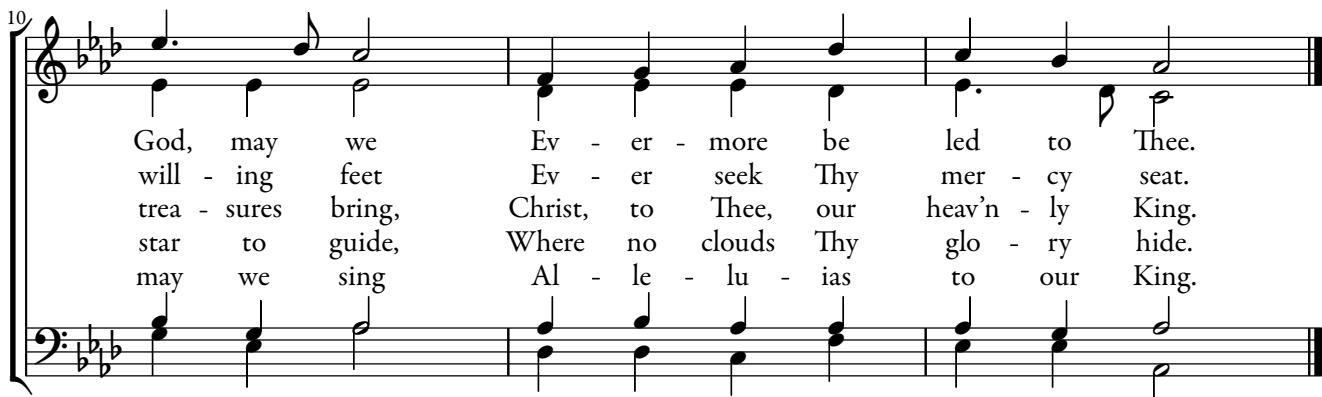
William C. Dix (1837-1898)

Konrad Kocher (1786-1872)

 The musical notation consists of two staves. The top staff is in common time, treble clef, and key signature of B-flat major (two flats). The bottom staff is in common time, bass clef, and key signature of B-flat major. The tempo is marked as 100. The lyrics for the first stanza are: 1. As with glad - ness men of old Did the guid - ing 2. As with joy - ful steps they sped To that low - ly 3. As they of - fer'd gifts most rare At that man - ger 4. Ho - ly Je - sus, ev - 'ry day Keep us in the 5. In the heav'n - ly coun - try bright Need they no cre -

 The musical notation consists of two staves. The top staff is in common time, treble clef, and key signature of B-flat major. The bottom staff is in common time, bass clef, and key signature of B-flat major. The lyrics for the second stanza are: star be - hold; As with joy they hail'd its light, man - ger - bed, There to bend the knee be - fore rude and bare; So may we with ho - ly joy, nar - row way; And, when earth - ly things are past, a - ted light; Thou its Light, its Joy, its Crown,

 The musical notation consists of two staves. The top staff is in common time, treble clef, and key signature of B-flat major. The bottom staff is in common time, bass clef, and key signature of B-flat major. The lyrics for the third stanza are: Lead - ing on - ward, beam - ing bright; So, most gra - cious Him whom heav'n and earth a - dore; So may we with Pure and free from sin's al - loy, All our cost - liest Bring our ran - somed souls at last Where they need no Thou its Sun which goes not down; There for - ev - er

 The musical notation consists of two staves. The top staff is in common time, treble clef, and key signature of B-flat major. The bottom staff is in common time, bass clef, and key signature of B-flat major. The lyrics for the fourth stanza are: God, may we Ev - er - more be led to Thee. will - ing feet Ev - er seek Thy mer - cy seat. trea - sures bring, Christ, to Thee, our heav'n - ly King. star to guide, Where no clouds Thy glo - ry hide. may we sing Al - le - lu - ias to our King.

CHRISTMAS  
PAT-A-PAN*Guilló, pran ton tamborin*

Burgundian carol, 1720

Arranged by Charles Wood (1866–1926)

1. Wil - lie, get your lit - tle drum, Rob - in, bring your flute and come.  
 2. When the men of old - en days Gave the King of Kings their praise,  
 3. God and man to - day be - come Close-ly joined as flute and drum.

Aren't they fun to play up - on? Tu - re - lu - re - lu, pat - a - pat - a - pan,  
 They had pipes to play up - on. Tu - re - lu - re - lu, pat - a - pat - a - pan,  
 Let the joy - ous tune play on! Tu - re - lu - re - lu, pat - a - pat - a - pan,

When you play your fife and drum, How can an - y - one be glum?  
 And al - so the drums they'd play, Full of joy, on Christ - mas Day.  
 As the in - stru - ments you play, We will sing, this Christ - mas Day.

## WATCHMAN, TELL US OF THE NIGHT

John Bowring (1792-1872)

Aberystwyth, Joseph Parry (1841-1903)

1. Watch - man, tell us of the night, What its signs of prom - ise are.  
 2. Watch - man, tell us of the night; High - er yet that star as - cends.  
 3. Watch - man, tell us of the night, For the morn-ing seems to dawn.

Trav - 'ler, o'er yon moun-tain's height, See that glo - ry beam - ing star.  
 Trav - 'ler, bless - ed - ness and light, Peace and truth its course por - tends.  
 Trav - 'ler, dark-ness takes its flight, Doubt and ter - ror are with-drawn.

Watchman, does its beau-teous ray Aught of joy or hope fore - tell?  
 Watchman, will its beams a - lone Gild the spot that gave them birth?  
 Watchman, let thy wan'drings cease; Hie thee to thy qui - et home.

13 Trav - 'ler, yes, it brings the day, Prom - ised day of Is - ra - el.  
 Trav - 'ler, a - ges are its own; See, it bursts o'er all the earth.  
 Trav - 'ler, lo! the Prince of Peace, Lo! the Son of God is come!

## IN DULCI JUBILO

Heinrich Seuse (1300-1366)

Arranged by J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

1. *In dul - ci jú - bi - lo* Nun sing - et und seid froh!  
 2. *O Je - su, pár - vu - le,* Nach Dir ist mir so weh.  
 3. *O Pa - tris cá - ri - tas!* *O na - ti lé - ni - tas!* Wir  
 4. *U - bi sunt gáu - di - a* Nir - gend mehr denn da,

5  
 Al - le un - ser Won - ne Liegt in prä - sé - pi -  
 Tröst mir mein Ge - mü - te, O Pu - er óp - ti -  
 wär - en all ver - lor - en, Per nos - tra cri - mi -  
 Wo die Eng - el sing - en No - va cán - ti -

8  
 o, Sie leuch - tet wie die Son - ne Ma -  
 me, Durch all Dei - ne Gü - te, O  
 na; So hat er uns - er wor - ben Cæ -  
 ca Und die Har - fen kling - en In

11  
 tris in gré - mi - o Al - pha es et  
 Prin - ceps gló - ri - æ. Tra - he me post  
 ló - rum gáu - di - a. Quan - ta grá - ti -  
 Re - gis cù - ri - a E - ia, wär'n wir

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O! Te! a! da! Al - pha es et O! Tra - he me post Te! Quan - ta grá - ti - a! E - ia, wär'n wir da!

from *The Cowley Carol Book, 1919*

### IN DULCI JUBILO

Heinrich Seuse (1300-1366)

14th century German melody

1. In dul-ci jú - bi - lo Now sing with hearts a - glow! Our de-light and  
 2. O Je-su, pár - vu - le, For thee I long al - way; Com-fort my heart's  
 3. O Pa-tris cá - ri - tas! O na - ti lé - ni - tas! Deep - ly were we  
 4. U - bi sunt gáu - di - a In an - y place but there? There are an - gels

plea - sure Lies in præ-sé - pi - o, Like sun-shine is our trea - sure Ma-  
 blind - ness O Pu - er óp - ti - me, With all Thy lov - ing kind - ness, O  
 stain - ed Per nos - tra cri - mi - na; But Thou for us hast gain - ed Cæ-  
 sing - ing No - va cán - ti - ca And there the bells are ring - ing In

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tris in gré - mi - o Al - pha es et O! Al - pha es et O!  
 Prin - ceps gló - ri - a. Tra - he me post Te! Tra - he me post Te!  
 ló - rum gáu - di - a. O that we were there! O that we were there!  
 Re - gis cú - ri - a. O that we were there! O that we were there!

from *ChristmasCarolMusic.org*

## IN DULCI JUBILO

Heinrich Seuse (1300-1366)

Translated by Robert Lucas de Pearsall (1795-1856)

14th century German melody

Arranged by Robert Lucas de Pearsall (1795-1856)

1. *In dul - ci jú - bi - lo* \_\_\_\_\_ Let us our hom - age show: \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. *O Je - su, pár - vu - le,* \_\_\_\_\_ I yearn for Thee al - way; \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. *O Pa - tris cá - ri - tas!* \_\_\_\_\_ *O na - ti lé - ni - tas!* \_\_\_\_\_  
 4. *U - bi sunt gáu - di - a* \_\_\_\_\_ If they be not there? \_\_\_\_\_

Our heart's joy re - clin - eth *In prä-sé - pi - o*, \_\_\_\_\_ And like a bright star shin - eth  
 Hear me, I be-seech Thee, *O Pu - er óp - ti - me*, \_\_\_\_\_ My pray-ing let it reach Thee,  
 Deep - ly were we stain - ed *Per nos - tra crí - mi - na*; \_\_\_\_\_ But Thou for us hast gain - ed  
 There are an - gels sing - ing *No - va cán - ti - ca*; \_\_\_\_\_ And there the bells are ring - ing

*Ma - tris in gré - mi - o* \_\_\_\_\_ *Al - pha es et O!* \_\_\_\_\_ *Al - pha es et O!* \_\_\_\_\_  
*O Prin - ceps gló - ri - a.* \_\_\_\_\_ *Tra - he me post Te!* \_\_\_\_\_ *Tra - he me post Te!* \_\_\_\_\_  
*Cæ - ló - rum gáu - di - a.* \_\_\_\_\_ *Qua - lis gló - ri - a!* \_\_\_\_\_ *Qua - lis gló - ri - a!* \_\_\_\_\_  
*In Re - gis cú - ri - a* \_\_\_\_\_ *O that we were there!* \_\_\_\_\_ *O that we were there!* \_\_\_\_\_

*Ma - tris in gré - mi - o* \_\_\_\_\_ *Al - pha es et O!* \_\_\_\_\_ *Al - pha es et O!* \_\_\_\_\_  
*O Princeps gló - ri - a.* \_\_\_\_\_ *Tra - he me post Te!* \_\_\_\_\_ *Tra - he me post Te!* \_\_\_\_\_  
*Cæ - ló - rum gáu - di - a.* \_\_\_\_\_ *Qua - lis gló - ri - a!* \_\_\_\_\_ *Qua - lis gló - ri - a!* \_\_\_\_\_  
*In Re - gis cú - ri - a* \_\_\_\_\_ *O that we were there!* \_\_\_\_\_ *O that we were there!* \_\_\_\_\_

## GOOD CHRISTIAN MEN, REJOICE

John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

14th Century German Melody

1. Good Chris - tian men, re - joice \_\_\_\_\_ With heart, and soul and voice; \_\_\_\_\_  
**mf** 2. Good Chris - tian men, re - joice \_\_\_\_\_ With heart, and soul and voice; \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. Good Chris - tian 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: **f** 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 man - ger now.  
 He hath ope'd the heav'n - ly door, And man is bless - ed ev - er-more.  
 Calls you one and calls you all, To gain His ev - er - last - ing hall.

**ff** 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!

## GLOUCESTERSHIRE WASSAIL

18th Century English

18th Century English

Allegro

1. Was - sail, was - sail all o - ver the town, Our toast it is white and our  
**mf** 2. So here is to Cherry and to his right cheek, Pray God send our mas - ter a  
3. And here is to Dob-bin and to his right eye, Pray God send our mas - ter a

ale it is brown; Our bowl it is made of the white ma - ple tree, With the  
good piece of beef, A good piece of beef that may we all see, With the  
good Christmas pie, A good Christmas pie that may we all see, With the

13 was - sailing bowl we'll drink un - to thee. 4. And here is to Fill-pail and to her left  
was - sailing bowl we'll drink un - to thee. 5. Come but - ler, come fill us a bowl of the  
was - sailing bowl we'll drink un - to thee. 6. Then here's to the maid in the li - ly white

21 ear, Pray God send our mas - ter a hap - py New Year, A hap - py New  
best, Then we hope that your soul in heav - en may rest, But if you do  
smock, Who tripp'd to the door and slipp'd back the lock, Who tripp'd to the

27 Year as e'er he did see, With the was - sail-ing bowl we'll drink un - to thee.  
draw us a bowl of the small, Then down shall go but - ler, bowl\_ and all.  
door and pulled back the pin, For to let these jol - ly was-sail-ers in.

## THE WASSAIL SONG

17th Century English

17th Century English

1. Here we come a-was-sailing A-mong the leaves so green, Here we come a-  
**mf** 2. We are not dai-ly beg-gars That beg from door to door, But we are neighbors'  
3. Good Mas-ter and good Mis-tress, As you sit by the fire, Pray think of us poor

wan-d'ring, So fair to be seen.  
chil-dren Whom you have seen be-fore. **f** Love and joy come to you, And to  
chil-dren Who wan-der in the mire.

you your was-sail too, And God bless you, and send you a hap-py new

Additional Verses

year, And God send you a happy new year.

4. We have a lit-tle purse Made of  
5. Call up the but-ler of this house, Put  
6. Bring us out a ta - ble And  
7. God bless the mas-ter of this house, Like-

ratch-ing leath-er skin; We want some of your small change To line it well with - in.  
on his gol-den ring; Let him bring us a glass of beer, The bet - ter we shall sing.  
spread it with a cloth; Bring us out a cheese, And of your Christmas loaf.  
wise the mis-tress too; And all the lit - tle chil - dren That round the ta - ble go.

## FROM HEAVEN HIGH I COME TO YOU

Martin Luther (1483-1546)

Translated by Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

Old German Melody Attributed to Martin Luther

Adapted by J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

*Very slow and dignified (♩ = 46)*

1. From heav - en high I come to you, To bring you ti - dings, strange and true.  
 2. To you this night is born a Child Of Ma - ry, chos - en Moth - er mild;  
 3. Glo - ry to God in high - est Heav'n, Who un - to us His Son hath giv'n!

Glad ti-dings of great joy I bring, Where of I now will say and sing.  
 This lit - tle Child, of low - ly birth, Shall be the joy of all the earth.  
 While an-gels sing with pi - ous mirth A glad New Year to all the earth.

from *The English Hymnal*, 1906

## THE BOAR'S HEAD CAROL

15th Century English

Traditional English

1. The boar's head in hand bear I Be-decked with bays and rose - ma - ry;  
 2. The boar's head as I un - der-stand Is the rar - est dish in all this land,  
 3. Our stew - ard hath pro-vid - ed this In hon - or of the King of bliss,

And I pray you my mas - ters mer - ry be; Quot es - tis in con - vi - vi - o.  
 Which is thus be - decked with a gay gar - land, Let us ser - ví - re cán - ti - co.  
 Which on this day to be serv - ed is, In Re - gi - né - si á - tri - o.

**ff-pp** Caput a priori dé - fe - ro Red - dens lau - des Dó - mi - no.

## ANGELS, FROM THE REALMS OF GLORY

James Montgomery (1771–1854)

Henry Smart (1813–1879)

1. An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, Wing your flight o'er all the earth,  
 2. Shep-herds, in the field a - bid - ing, Watch - ing o'er your flocks by night,  
 3. Sa - ges, leave your con - tem - pla - tions, Bright - er vis - ions beam a - far;  
 4. Saints be - fore the al - tar bend - ing, Watch - ing long in hope and fear,

Ye, who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry, Now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth;  
 God with man is now re - sid - ing; Yon - der shines the in - fant light;  
 Seek the great De - sire of na - tions, Ye have seen His na - tal star;  
 Sud - den - ly the Lord, de-scend - ing, In His tem - ple shall ap - pear;

Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship, Wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.

## THE FRIENDLY BEASTS

Robert Davis (1881-1950)

Adapted from *Orientis Partibus*, 12th Century French

1. Je - sus, our bro-ther, kind and good, Was hum - bly born in a sta - ble rude, And the  
 2. "I," said the don-key, shag-gy and brown, "I car - ried His Moth-er up hill and down; I  
 3. "I," said the cow, all white and red, "I gave Him my man - ger\_ for His bed, I

friend - ly beasts a - round Him stood; Je - sus, our broth-er, kind and good.  
 car - ried Her safe-ly to Beth-le-hem town." "I," said the don-key, shag-gy and brown.  
 gave Him my hay\_ to pil-low His head." "I," said the cow, all white and red.

4. "I," said the sheep with curl - y horn, "I\_ gave Him my wool for His blank - et  
 5. "I," said the dove from the raf - ters high, "Cooed Him to sleep, that He should not  
 6. "I," said the cam - el, yel-low and black, "O - ver the des-ert, up - on my  
 7. Thus ev - 'ry beast by some good spell, In the sta - ble dark was\_ glad to

warm, He\_ wore\_ my coat on Christ-mas morn." "I," said the sheep with curl - y horn.  
 cry, We cooed Him to sleep, my mate and I." "I," said the dove from the raf-ters high.  
 back I\_brought Him a gift in the Wise Men's pack," "I," said the cam - el, yel-low and black.  
 tell Of the gift\_ he gave Em-man - u - el, The gift he gave Em - man - u - el.

## ORIENTIS PARTIBUS

Attributed to Pierre de Corbeil, Bishop of Sens (d. 1222)

12th Century French

1. O - ri - én - tis pár - ti - bus Ad - ven - tár - a - vit á - si - nus, Pulcher et for - tis - si - mus,  
 2. Sal - tu vin - cit hín - nu - los Da - mas et ca - pré - o - los Su - per dro - me - dá - ri - os  
 3. Hic in cól - li - bus Sychen, Jam nu - trí - tus sub Ruben Tráns - i - it per Jór - da - nem

Sár - ci - nis ap - tís - si - mus. 4. Dum tra - hit ve - hí - cu - la, Mul - ta cum sar -  
 Ve - lox Ma - di - á - ne - os. 5. Cum a - rís - tis, hór - de - um Cóm - e - dit et  
 Sá - li - it in Béth - le - hem. 6. A - men di - cas, á - si - ne; Jam sa - tur ex

cí - nu - la Il - lí - us man - dí - bu - la Du - ra te - rit pá - bu - la.  
 cár - du - um Trí - ti - cum ex pá - le - a Sé - gregat in á - re - a.  
 grá - mi - ne. A - men, a - men í - te - ra A - sperná - re vé - te - ra.

Words from *HymnsAndCarolsOfChristmas.com*, Music from *CyberHymnal.org*

## ALTHOUGH AT YULE IT BLOWETH COOL

George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848-1934)

*Der wind der wet, der han der kret, 1554*

Arranged by Charles Wood (1866-1926)

1. Al - though at Yule it blow - eth cool, And frost doth grip the fin - gers,  
 2. Through snow or sleet we pace the street, Fair sirs, with right good rea - son,  
 3. No itch - ing palms have we for alms, Con - tent if Christ, the bur - den

And nip the nose, and numb the toes, Of out - door Car - ol sing - ers,  
 To wish you all, both great and small, The bless - ings of the sea - son.  
 Of these our lays, be - stow His praise, And one day be our guer - don.

from *The Cambridge Carol Book, 1924*

CHRISTMAS  
**O HOLY NIGHT**  
(Cantique de Noël)

Placide Cappeau (1808–1877)

Translated by John Sullivan Dwight (1813–1893)

Adolphe Adam (1803–1856)

*Andante maestoso* (♩ = 72)

5

night the stars are bright ly shin ing, It is the  
light of faith se rene ly beam ing, With glow ing  
taught us to love one an oth er, His law is

7

night of the dear Sav ior s birth; Long lay the  
hearts by His cra dle we stand; So led by  
love and His gos pel is peace; Chains shall He

10

world in sin and er - ror pin - - - ing, Till He ap -  
light of a star sweet - ly gleam - - - ing Here came the  
break for the slave is our bro - - - ther, And in His

12

peared and the soul felt its worth A thrill of hope the  
wise men from O - ri - ent land. The King of kings lay  
name all op-pres - sion shall cease. Sweet hymns of joy in

15

wea - ry soul re - joic - es, For yon - der breaks a new and glo - rious morn;  
thus in low - ly man - ger, In all our tri - als born to be our friend;  
grate - ful cho - rus raise we, Let all with - in us praise His ho - ly name;

18

Fall on your knees, Oh, hear the an - gel  
**f** He knows our need, Our weak - ness is no  
 Christ is the Lord, Oh, praise His name for-

21

voi - ces! O night di - vine, O  
 stran - ger. Be - hold your King, be -  
 ev - er! His pow'r and glo - - - ry

24

night when Christ was born! O night O  
 fore Him low - ly bend! Be - hold your  
 ev - er - more pro-claim! His pow'r and

27

ho - - - ly night O night di - vine!  
 King, be - fore Him low - ly bend!  
 glo - - - ry ev - - er - more pro-claim!

30

Fall on your knees, Oh, hear the an - gel  
**f** He knows our need, Our weak - ness is no  
 Christ is the Lord, Oh, praise His name for -

33

voi - ces! O night di - vine, O night when Christ was  
 stran - ger. Be - hold your King, be - fore Him low - ly  
 ev - er! His pow'r and glo - ry ev - er - more pro -

37

rit. a tempo D.S.

born! O night O ho - ly night O night di - vine!  
 bend! Be - hold your King, be - fore Him low - ly bend!  
 claim! His pow'r and glo - ry ev - er - more pro-claim!

rit. a tempo

## CHRISTMAS DAY

Translated by Rev. H.R. Bramley (1833-1917) from Latin

Sir John Stainer (1840-1901)

Allegro vivace.

1. Wake all mu - sic's ma - gic pow'r's, On this bliss - ful morn - ing,  
 2. Let this glo - rious hol - i - day Find such ho - ly spend - ing,  
**mf** 3. Give we glo - ry to this Feast, **ff** For man's res - to - ra - tion:  
 4. O how bright is this day made, Day with ra - diance glow - ing,  
 5. Ris'n to - day in splen - dor bright, Shin - ing to all a - ges,

5  
**mf** Born to - day, the Child is ours, Theme of Pro - phet's warn - ing;  
 That the sim - ple - heart - ed may Joy with - out of - fend - ing,  
**mf** Now the guil - ty is re - leased, **ff** Freed from con - dem - na - tion:  
 Which the Light of Light dis - played, Light in dark - ness show - ing;  
 Beams the Sun, whose dis - tant light Touch'd the Pro - phet's pa - ges;

9  
**mf** Gi - ant in the race He tow'r's, Toil and dan - ger scorn - ing.  
 And sweet cha - ri - ty may stay, With our con - course blend - ing.  
**mf** By the wid - ow's son de - ceased, **ff** See E - li - sha's sta - tion!  
 Chas - ing thus death's gloom - y shade, Bright - ness o'er us throw - ing!  
 Now, to end the reign of night, Christ His pow'r en - ga - ges.

13  
**p** O that bless - ed go - ing out, Which sal - va - tion brought a - bout,  
**p** O that bless - ed go - ing out, sal - va - tion brought a - bout,

17  
**ff** O that bless - ed go - ing out, Which sal - va - tion brought a - bout.

## AS LATELY WE WATCHED

Anonymous

19th Century Austrian

*mf*

1. As late - ly we watch'd o'er our fields thro' the night,  
 2. A King of such beau - ty was ne'er be - fore seen,  
 3. His throne is a man - ger, His court is a loft,  
 4. Then shep - herds, be joy - ful, sa - lute your liege King,

A star there was seen of such glo - ri - ous light;  
 And Ma - ry His moth - er so like to a queen.  
 But troops of bright an - gels, in - lays sweet and soft,  
 Let hills and dales ring to the song that ye sing,

All thro' the night, an - gels did sing,  
 Blest be the hour, wel - come the morn,  
 Him they pro - claim, our Christ by name,  
 Blest be the hour, wel - come the morn,

In ca - rols, so sweet, of the birth of a King.  
 For Christ our dear Sav - ior on earth now is born.  
 And earth, sky and air straight are fill'd with His fame.  
 For Christ our dear Sav - ior on earth now is born.

CHRISTMAS  
THE VIRGIN AND CHILDAdapted from *Thys endris nyzth*, 15th Century

Charles Steggall (1826-1905)

*mf* 1. On yes - ter night I saw a sight, A star as bright as day; And all along, I

6 *dim.* lul - lay, lul - lay, lul - lay,  
heard a song, lul - lay, by by, lul - lay, lul - lay, lul - lay, lul - lay.  
lul - lay

11 2. A love - ly la - dy sat and sang, And to her Child she spake: My  
*f* 3. The Child then spake whilst she did sing, And to the maid - en said: "Right  
4. "Now, sweet - est Lord, since Thou art King, Why liest Thou in a stall? Why

16 It makes my heart to  
Son, my Bro - ther, Fa - ther dear, It makes my  
sure I am a might - y King, Though in a  
didst Thou not Thy cra - dle bring To some great  
ache, To see Thee there, so cold and bare, A  
heart to ache, To see Thee there, so cold and bare, A  
crib My bed: For an - gels bright, Down to Me light; Thou  
roy - al hall? Me - thinks 'tis right, That king or knight Should  
ache, A

22 King up - on this hay;

dim.

King up - on this hay; But hush Thy wail, I will not fail  
canst not say Me nay: Then why so sad? Thou may'st be glad  
lie in good ar - ray; And them a - mong, It were no wrong

King up - on this hay;

To sing by by, lul - lay, lul - lay, to sing by by, lul - lay, lul - lay; To  
To sing by by, lul - lay, by by, lul - lay, by by, lul - lay, To

30 *cresc.* lul - lay, lul - lay, lul - lay, by by,  
sing by by lul - lay, lul - lay, lul - lay, by by lul - lay, by by lul - lay, lul - lay, lul - lay.  
sing by by, lul - lay, lul - lay, lul - lay,

The musical score consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. The key signature is common time. The first section, starting at measure 22, has a dynamic of 'dim.' and includes lyrics about a king on hay. The second section, starting at measure 30, has a dynamic of 'cresc.' and includes lyrics for a lullaby. The music features eighth and sixteenth note patterns, with some notes beamed together.

5. "My Mother Mary, thine I be,  
Though I be laid in stall,  
Both lords and dukes shall worship Me,  
And so shall monarchs all:  
Ye shall well see  
That princes three,  
Shall come on the twelfth day:  
Then let Me rest  
Upon thy breast,  
And sing by by, lullay."

6. "Now tell me, sweetest Lord, I pray,  
Thou art my love and dear,  
How shall I nurse Thee to Thy mind,  
And make Thee glad of cheer?  
For all Thy will  
I would fulfil,  
I need no more to say;  
And for all this  
I will Thee kiss,  
And sing by by, lullay,"

7. "My Mother dear, when time it be,  
Then take Me up aloft,  
And set Me up upon thy knee,  
And handle Me full soft;  
And in thy arm,  
Thou wilt Me warm,  
And keep Me night and day:  
And if I weep,  
And may not sleep,  
Thou sing by by, lullay."

CHRISTMAS  
THIS ENDRIS NIGHTAdapted from *Thys endris nyzth*, 15th Century

15th Century English

This en - dris night I saw a sight, A star as bright as day;  
 1. This love - ly la - dy sat and sang, And to her Child did say,  
 2. "My sweet - est bird, 'tis thus re-quired, Though Thou be King ve - ray,  
 3. The Child then spake in His talk - ing, And to His mo - ther said,  
 4. "For an - gels bright down on me light; Thou know - est 'tis no nay.

And e'er a - mong, A maid - en sung, "Lul - lay, by by, lu - lay."  
 "My Son, my Bro - ther, Fa - ther dear, Why liest Thou thus in hay?"  
 But ner - the - less I will not cease To sing 'By by, lul - lay."  
 "Yea, I am known as Heav - en-King In crib though I be laid.  
 And for that sight thou mayst de - light To sing, 'By by, lul - lay."

from *The English Carol Book, Second Series, 1913*, via [HymnsAndCarolsOfChristmas.com](http://HymnsAndCarolsOfChristmas.com)

## O DU FRÖHLICHE

Johannes Daniel Falk (1768–1826)

Sicilian Hymn

1. O du fröh - li - che, o du se - li - ge, Gna - den - bring - en - de Weihnachts - zeit!  
**f** 2. O du fröh - li - che, o du se - li - ge, Gna - den - bring - en - de Weihnachts - zeit!  
 3. O du fröh - li - che, o du se - li - ge, Gna - den - bring - en - de Weihnachts - zeit!

Welt ging ver - lor - en, Christ ist ge - bor - en, Freu - e, freue dich, o Christen - heit!  
 Christ ist er - schien, Uns zu ver - söh - nen, Freu - e, freue dich, o Christen - heit!  
 Himm - li - sche Hee - re Jauch - zen dir Eh - re, Freu - e, freue dich, o Christen - heit!

from *The Wartburg Hymnal, 1918*, via [HymnsAndCarolsOfChristmas.com](http://HymnsAndCarolsOfChristmas.com)

## CAROL OF THE BIRDS

Traditional

Bas-Quercey Carol

*Not slow.*

1. Whence comes this rush of wings a - far, Fol - low - ing straight the No - él star?
2. "Tell us, ye birds, why come ye here, In - to this sta - ble, poor and drear?"
3. Hark how the Green finch bears his part, Phi - lo - mel, too, with ten - der heart,
4. An - gels and shep-herds, birds of the sky, Come where the Son of God doth lie;

Birds from the woods in won-drous flight, Beth - le-hem seek this Ho - ly Night.  
 "Hast - 'ning we seek the new-born King, And all our sweet - est mu - sic bring."  
 Chants from her leaf - y dark re - treat Re, mi, fa, sol, in ac - cents sweet.  
 Christ on the earth with man doth dwell, Join in the shout, "No - él, No - él!"

from *Carols Old and Carols New*, 1916, via *HymnsAndCarolsOfChristmas.com*

## I HEARD THE BELLS ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow (1807-1882)

John Baptiste Calkin (1827-1905)

1. I heard the bells on Christ-mas Day Their old fa - mil - iar car - ols play,
2. I thought how, as the day had come, The bel-fries of all Chris - ten-dom
3. And in de - spair I bowed my head, "There is no peace on earth," I said,
4. Then pealed the bells more loud and deep: "God is not dead, nor doth He sleep;
5. Till, ring - ing, sing - ing on its way, The world re-volved from night to day,

And wild and sweet the words re - peat Of peace on earth, good will to men.  
 Had rolled a - long th'un - bro - ken song Of peace on earth, good will to men.  
 For hate is strong, and mocks the song Of peace on earth, good will to men.  
 The wrong shall fail, the right pre - vail, With peace on earth, good will to men.  
 A voice, a chime, a chant sub-lime, Of peace on earth, good will to men.

from *HymnsAndCarolsOfChristmas.com*

## CONGAUDEAT TURBA FIDELIUM

from an 11th Century Manuscript

Old Melody in Hypo-Dorian Mode

Arranged by G. H. Palmer

## FROM CHURCH TO CHURCH

*Congaudeat turba fidelium*, from an 11th Century Manuscript

Versified by John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

Old Melody in Hypo-Dorian Mode

Arranged by G. H. Palmer

1. From church\_\_\_\_\_ to church\_\_\_\_\_ the bells' glad tid - ings run:  
 2. And an - - - gel hosts\_\_\_\_ the mid - night of\_\_\_\_ His birth,  
 3. "Now go\_\_\_\_\_ we forth,\_\_\_\_ and see\_\_\_\_ this won - drous thing,"  
 4. Then Her - - - od sought\_\_\_\_ the Roy - al Son to slay,

A Vir - gin hath con - ceiv'd and borne a Son\_\_\_\_ In Beth - le - hem.  
 Sang Glo - ry be to God and peace on earth, In Beth - le - hem.  
 The shep - herds said, "and seek the new\_ born King" In Beth - le - hem.  
 Who ra - ther should have come to kneel and pray In Beth - le - hem.

5. The Star\_\_\_\_\_ went lead - ing from East un - to\_\_\_\_ the West:  
 6. Their frank - - in - cense,\_\_\_\_ and myrrh, and gold they bring,  
 7. With three - - fold gifts\_\_\_\_ the Three - fold God then praise,

The Wise Men fol - lowed, till they saw it rest In Beth - le - hem.  
 To hail the God, the Mor - tal, and the King In Beth - le - hem.  
 Who thus vouchsafed the songs of man to raise In Beth - le - hem.

## ES IST EIN ROS ENTSPRUNGEN

15th Century German

Arranged by Michael Praetorius (1571-1621)

## FLOS DE RADICE JESSE

Arranged by Michael Praetorius (1571-1621)

9

ú - ni - ce. Flos il - le Je-sus est. Ma - ri - a Vir-go ra-dix de qua - flos or - tus est.  
 ál - li - cit. Flos virgam sú-per - at cæ - li ter - ræ - que ci - ves, Flos il - le ré - cre - at.  
 lí - li - um. O - dó - ris óp - ti - mi; vel so - li quodvis ce - dit a - ró - ma nó - mi - ni.  
 ím - bu - it. O flos o grá - ti - a: ad Te, ad Te su - spí - ro, de Te me sá - ti - a.

ú - ni - ce. or - tus est.  
 ál - li - cit. ré - cre - at.

## Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

15th Century German

Arranged by Michael Praetorius (1571-1621)

Translated by Theodore Baker (1851-1934)

1. Lo, how a Rose e'er bloom - ing From ten - der stem has sprung! Of  
 2. I - sa - iah 'twas fore - told it, The Rose I had in mind; With  
 3. The shep - herds heard the sto - ry Pro-claimed by an - gels bright, How  
 4. O Flow'r, whose fra-grance ten - der With sweet-ness fills the air, Dis -

stem has sprung!  
 had in mind;

6

Jes - se's lin-eage com - ing As men of old have sung. It came, a flow'r - et  
 Ma - ry we be - hold it, The Vir - gin Moth - er kind. To show God's love a -  
 Christ, the Lord of Glo - ry Was born on earth this night. To Beth - le - hem they  
 pel with glo - rious splen - dor The dark-ness ev - 'ry - where; True man, yet ve - ry

old have sung.  
 Moth - er kind.

12

bright, A - mid the cold of win - ter When half - spent was the night.  
 right She bore to men a Sav - ior, When half - spent was the night.  
 sped And in the man - ger found Him, As an - gel her - alds said.  
 God, From Sin and death now save us, And share our ev - 'ry load.

was the night.

## O COME, LITTLE CHILDREN

*Ihr Kinderlein kommet*, by Christoph von Schmid (1768–1854)

Johann A. P. Schulz (1747–1800)

1. O come, lit - tle chil - dren, O come one and all,  
 2. He's born in a sta - ble for you and for me,  
 3. See Ma - ry and Jo - seph with love beam - ing eyes  
 4. Kneel down and a - dore Him with shep - herds to - day,

To Beth - le - hem haste, to the man - ger so small,  
 Draw near by the bright gleam - ing Star light to see,  
 Are gaz - ing up - on the rude bed where He lies,  
 Lift up lit - tle hands now and praise Him as they;

God's Son for a gift has been sent you this night  
 In swad - dling clothes ly - ing so meek and so mild,  
 The shep - herds are kneel - ing, with hearts full of love,  
 Re - joice that a Sav - ior from sin you can boast,

To be your Re - deem - er, your joy and de - light.  
 And pur - er than an - gels the heav - en - ly Child.  
 While an - gels sing loud al - le - lu - ias a - bove.  
 And join in the song of the heav - en - ly host.

## THERE'S A SONG IN THE AIR!

Josiah G. Holland (1819-1881)

Karl P. Harrington (1861-1953)

1. There's a song in the air!  
 2. There's a tumult of joy  
 3. In the light of that star  
 4. We rejoice in the light,

There's a star in the sky!  
 O'er the wonderful birth,  
 Lie the ages impearled,  
 And we echo the song

There's a mother's deep prayer  
 For the Virgin's sweet Boy  
 And that song from afar  
 That comes down thro' the night

And a baby's low cry!  
 Is the Lord of the earth.  
 Has swept over the world.  
 From the heaven-throng.

And the star rains its fire while the beau-ti-ful sing,  
 Ay! the star rains its fire while the beau-ti-ful sing,  
 Ev'-ry hearth is a-flame, and the beau-ti-ful sing,  
 Ay! we shout to the love-ly e-van-gel they bring,

For the man-ger of Beth-le-hem cra-dles a King!  
 For the man-ger of Beth-le-hem cra-dles a King!  
 In the homes of the na-tions that Je-sus is King!  
 And we greet in His cra-dle our Sav-iour and King!

## THE HOLLY AND THE IVY

17th Century English

English

1. The hol - ly and the i - vy, When they are both full grown,  
 2. The hol - ly bears a blos - som, As white as the lil - ly flow'r,  
**mf** 3. The hol - ly bears a ber - ry, As red as an - y blood,  
 4. The hol - ly bears a prick - le, As sharp as an - y thorn,  
 5. The hol - ly bears a bark, As bit - ter as an - y gall,

Of all the trees that are in the wood, The hol - ly bears the crown:  
 And Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ, To be our sweet Sav - ior:  
 And Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ, To do poor sin - ners good:  
 And Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ, On Christmas day in the morn:  
 And Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ, For to re - deem us all:

**f** The ris - ing of the sun. And the run-ning of the deer,

The play-ing of the mer - ry or - gan, Sweet sing-ing in the choir.

## THE HOLLY AND THE IVY

17th Century English

Old French Carol

1, 6. The Hol - ly and the I - vy, Now both are full - well grown,  
*mf* 2. The Hol - ly bears a blos - som, As white as li - ly - flow'r;  
 3. The Hol - ly bears a ber - ry, As red as an - y blood,

Of all the trees that are in the wood, The Hol - ly bears the crown:  
*f* And Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ, To be our sweet Sav - ior.  
 And Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ, To do poor sin - ners good.

*p* O the ris - ing of the sun, The run - ning of the deer, *f* The play - ing of the  
 mer - ry or - gan, Sweet sing - ing in the quire, Sweet sing - ing in the quire.

*mf* 4. The Hol - ly bears a prick - le, As sharp as an - y thorn,  
 5. The Hol - ly bears a bark, As bit - ter as an - y gall;

*f* And Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ, On Christ - mas day in the morn.  
 And Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ, For to re - deem us all.

from *Christmas Carols, New and Old*

CHRISTMAS  
THE SUSSEX CAROL

Traditional English (17th century or earlier)

1. On Christ-mas night all Chris-tians sing To hear the news the an-gels bring.  
 2. Then why should men on earth be so sad, Since our Re-deem-er made us glad?

an-gels bring: News of great joy, news of great mirth, News of our mer-ci-ful King's birth.  
 made us glad? When from our sin He set us free, All for to gain our lib-er-ty.

3. When sin de-parts be-fore His grace, Then life and health come in its place,  
 4. All out of dark-ness we have light, Which made the an-gels sing this night,

in its place. An-gels and men with joy may sing, All for to see the new-born King.  
 sing this night: "Glo-ry to God and peace to men, Now and for ev-er-more, A-men."

## BLESSED BE THAT MAID MARIE

15th Century Middle English Carol, modernized

Melody from William Ballet's *Lute Book*, c. 1600

Arranged by Charles Wood (1866–1926)

1. Blessed be that Maid Marie; Born He was of her body;  
 2. In a manger of an ass Je-su lay and lull-ed was;  
 3. Sweet and bliss-ful was the song Chanted of the An-gel throng,

Very God ere time began, Born in time the Son of Man.  
 Born to die up on the Tree, Pro pec-cán-te hó-mi-ne.  
 "Peace on earth," Al-le-lu-ia. In ex-cél-sis gló-ri-a.

E-ya! Je-sus hó-di-e Na-tus est de Vir-gi-ne.

4. Fare three Kings from far-off land, In-cense, gold and myrrh in hand;  
 5. Make we mer-ry on this fest, In quo Chris-tus na-tus est;

In Beth-lem the Babe they see, Stel-la du-cíti lú-mi-ne.  
 On this Child I pray you call, To as-soil and save us all.

## RISE UP, SHEPHERDS, AND FOLLOW

Traditional

Spiritual

Arranged by Allen L. Richardson

*mf*

1. There's a star in the East on Christmas morn, Rise up, shepherds, and follow; It - 'll  
2. If you take good heed to the An - gels' words, Rise up, shepherds, and follow; You'll for-

*mf*

lead to the place where the Sav-ior's born, Rise up, shepherds, and follow;  
get your flocks, you'll for - get your herds, Rise up, shepherds, and follow.

*f più mosso*

*rit.*

*a tempo*

Leave your ewes and leave your lambs, Rise up, shepherds, and follow, Leave your sheep and

*rit.*

*a tempo*

*ff*

leave your rams, Rise up, shepherds, and follow. Fol - low, fol - low, Rise up, shepherds, and

*p rit.*

*p*

follow; Fol - low the star of Beth-le - hem, Rise up, shepherds, and follow.

## SLEEP, HOLY BABE!

Edward Caswall (1814-1878)

John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

1. Sleep, Ho - ly Babe! up - on Thy moth-er's breast; Great Lord of earth, and  
 2. Sleep, Ho - ly Babe! Thine An - gels watch a - round, All bend - ing low with  
 3. Sleep, Ho - ly Babe! while I with Ma - ry gaze, In joy up - on that  
 4. Sleep, Ho - ly Babe! ah! take Thy brief re - pose; Too quick - ly will Thy

sea, and sky, How sweet it is to see Thee lie In such a place of  
 fold - ed wings, Be - fore th'In - car - nate King of kings, In rev - 'rent awe pro -  
 Face a - while, Up - on the lov - ing in - fant smile Which there di - vine - ly  
 slum - bers break, And Thou to length - en'd pains a - wake, That death a - lone shall

rest, In such a place of rest. ACCOMP.  
 found, In rev - 'rent awe pro - found.  
 plays, Which there di - vine - ly plays.  
 close, That death a - lone shall close.

# THE TRUTH FROM ABOVE

(Herefordshire Carol)

Traditional

Traditional

1. This is the truth sent from a - bove, The truth of God, the God of love.  
 2. The first thing which I do re - late Is that God did man cre-ate;  
 3. Then, af - ter this, 'twas God's own choice To place them both in Pa - ra-dise,  
 4. But they did eat, which was a sin, And thus their ru - in did be-gin.  
 5. Thus we were heirs to end - less woes, Till God the Lord did in - terpose;

Therefore don't turn me from your door, But heark-en all both rich and poor.  
 The next thing which to you I'll tell Wo - man was made with man to dwell.  
 There to re - main, from e - vil free, Ex - cept they ate of such a tree.  
 Ru - ined them-selves, both you and me, And all of their pos - ter - i - ty.  
 And so a prom - ise soon did run That He would re - deem us by His Son.

6. And at this sea - son of the year Our blest re - deem - er did ap - pear;  
 7. Thus He in love to us be-haved, To show us how we must be saved;  
 8. "Go preach the Gos - pel," now He said, "To all the na - tions that are made!  
 9. O seek! O seek of God a - bove That sav - ing faith that works by love!  
 10. God grant to all with - in this place True sav - ing faith, that spe - cial grace

He here did live, and here did preach, and ma - ny thou - sands He did teach.  
 And if you want to know the way, Be pleased to hear what He did say:  
 And he that does be - lieve in Me, From all his sins I'll set him free."  
 And, if He's pleased to grant thee this, Thou'rt sure to have e - ter - nal bliss.  
 Which to His peo - ple doth be - long: And thus I close my Christmas song.

CHRISTMAS  
CRADLE HYMN

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Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

from *Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second, 1813*

1. Hush, my dear, lie still and slum - ber, Ho - ly an - gels guard thy bed,  
 2. How much bet - ter thou'rt at - tend - ed, Than the Son of God could be,  
 3. Bless - ed babe! what glo - rious fea - tures—Spot - less fair, di - vine - ly bright!  
 4. Soft, my child, I did not chide thee, Though my song may seem too hard;  
 5. See the kind - er shep-herds round Him, Tell - ing won-ders from the sky!  
 6. Lo, He slum - bers in His man - ger, Where the horn - ed ox - en fed:  
 7. Mayst thou live to know and fear him, Trust and love him all thy days;

Heav - n'ly bless - ings with - out num - ber, Gen - tly fall - ing on thy head.  
 When from Heav - en He de - scend - ed, And be - came a child like thee!  
 Must He dwell with bru - tal crea - tures? How could an - gels bear the sight?  
 'Tis thy mo - ther sits be - side thee, And her arms shall be thy guard.  
 Where they sought Him, there they found Him, With His Vir - gin mo - ther by.  
 Peace, my dar - ling; here's no dan - ger, Here's no ox a - near thy bed.  
 Then go dwell for - ev - er near him, See his face and sing his praise!

Sleep, my babe; thy food and rai - ment, House and home, thy friends pro - vide;  
 Soft and ea - sy is thy cra - dle, Coarse and hard thy Sav - ior lay:  
 Was there noth - ing but a man - ger Curs - ed sin - ners could af - ford  
 Yet to tell the shame - ful sto - ry, How His foes a - bused their King;  
 See the love - ly Babe a - dress - ing; Love - ly in - fant, how He smiled!  
 'Twas to save thee, child, from dy - ing, Save my dear from burn - ing flame,  
 I could give thee thou - sand kiss - es, Hop - ing what I most de - sire;

All with - out thy care or pay - ment: All thy wants are well sup - plied.  
 When His birth-place was a sta - ble, And His soft - est bed was hay.  
 To re - ceive the heav'n-ly Stran - ger? Did they thus af - front their Lord?  
 How they killed the Lord of glo - ry, Makes me an - gry while I sing.  
 When He wept, the mother's bless - ing Soothed and hush'd the ho - ly Child.  
 Bit - ter groans and end-less cry - ing, That thy blest Re - deem - er came.  
 Not a mo - ther's fond-est wish - es Can to great - er joys a - spire.

## GLAD CHRISTMAS BELLS

Anonymous

Anonymous

1. Glad Christmas bells, your mu - sic tells The sweet and pleas - ant sto - ry;  
 2. No pal - ace hall its ceil - ing tall His king - ly head spread o - ver,  
 3. Nor rai - ment gay, as there He lay, A - dorn'd the in - fant Stran - ger;  
 4. But from a - far, a splen-did star The wise men west - ward turn - ing;  
 5. Where on the hill, all safe and still, The fold - ed flocks were ly - ing,

How came to earth, in low - ly birth, The Lord of life and glo - ry.  
 There on - ly stood a sta - ble rude The heav'n - ly Babe to cov - er.  
 Poor, hum - ble Child of moth - er mild, She laid Him in a man - ger.  
 The live - long night saw pure and bright, A - bove His birth-place burn - ing.  
 Down through the air an an - gel fair On wing of flame came fly - ing.

6. "Fear not," said he, for trem-bling-ly The shep - herds stood in won - der,  
 7. "And by this sign, the Babe Di-vine You may dis - cov - er sure - ly,  
 8. Then swift - ly came, in lines of flame, Like count - less me-teors blaz - ing,  
 9. And all the choir, with tongues of fire Broke forth in joy - ful sing - ing,  
 10. "Glo - ry to Thee for - ev - er be, God in the high-est, glo - ry!

"Glad news I bring, the prom-ised King Lies in a sta - ble yon - der.  
 A man - ger rude His dwell - ing is, There lies He, cra-dled poor - ly."  
 A mul - ti - tude, and with Him stood, A spec - ta - cle a - maz - ing.  
 Till with their cry the ve - ry sky From end to end was ring - ing.  
 Good will to men, and peace a - gain O earth is beam-ing o'er Thee!"

## THE GOLDEN CAROL

of

Melchior, Casper and Balthazar

Traditional

English

Arranged by Sir John Stainer (1840-1901)

1. We saw a light shine out a - far, On Christ - mas in the morn - ing,  
 2. Oh! ev - er thought be of His Name, On Christ - mas in the morn - ing,

And straight we knew it was Christ's star, Bright beam - ing in the morn - ing.  
 Who bore for us both grief and shame, Af - flic - tion's sharp - est scorn - ing.

Then did we fall on bend - ed knee, On Christ - mas in the morn - ing,  
 And may we die (when death shall come,) On Christ - mas in the morn - ing,

And prais'd the Lord, who'd let us see, His glo - ry at its dawn - ing.  
 And see in heav'n, our glo - rious home, That Star of Christ - mas morn - ing.

## WE THREE KINGS OF ORIENT ARE

John H. Hopkins (1820-1891)

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*mf*

*All* 1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are; Bear - ing gifts we  
*Melchior* 2. Born a King on Beth - le-hem's plain, Gold I bring, to  
*Casper* 3. Frank-in - cense to of - fer have I, In - cense owns a  
*Balthazar* 4. Myrrh is mine, its bit - ter per - fume, Breathes a life of  
*All* 5. Glo-rious now be - hold Him a - rise, King and God and

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tra - verse a - far, Field and fountain, moor and mountain, Fol - low - ing yon - der star.  
 crown Him a - gain, King for - ev - er, ceas - ing nev - er, O - ver us all to reign.  
 De - i - ty nigh, Pray'r and prais-ing, all men rais - ing Wor-ship Him, God most High.  
 gath - er-ing gloom; Sor-rowing, sigh-ing, bleed-ing, dy - ing, Seal'd in the stone-cold tomb.  
 Sac - ri - fice, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Earth to heav'n re - plies.

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*a tempo*

O *ff* Star of won - der, star of night, Star with roy - al beau - ty bright,

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West - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, Guide us to Thy per - fect light.

## THE STRANGER STAR

Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895)

J. A. Shultze, 1780

1. Saw ye nev - er in the twi-light, When the sun had left the skies,  
 2. Heard ye nev - er of the sto - ry, How they crossed the des - ert wild,  
 3. Know ye not that low - ly Ba - by Was the bright and Morn-ing Star,

Up in heav'n the clear stars shin - ing Thro' the gloom like lov - ing eyes?  
 Jour - neyed on by plain and moun-tain, Till they found the Ho - ly Child?  
 He who came to light the Gen-tiles, And the dark - ened isles a - far?

17 So of old the wise men watch-ing, Saw a blaz - ing stran-ger star,  
 How they o - pen'd all their trea - sure, Kneel - ing to that In - fant King,  
 And we too may seek His\_ cra - dle, There our hearts' best trea - sures bring,

25 And they knew the King was giv - en, And they fol - lowed it from far.  
 Gave the gold and fra - grant in - cense, Gave the myrrh in\_ of - fer - ing?  
 Love and faith and true de - vo - tion, For our Sav - ior, God, and King.

CHRISTMAS  
**CAROL OF THE BELLS**  
(Ukrainian Carol)

Peter J. Wilhousky (1902-1978)

Mikola Dmytрович Леонтович (1877-1921)

$\text{♩} = 170$

Hark! how the bells, sweet sil-ver bells, All seem to say, throw cares a-way.

5 Christ - mas is here, bring - ing good cheer, To young and old, meek and the bold,  

Ding! Dong! Ding! Dong!

9 Ding, dong, ding, dong, that is their song. With joy-ful ring, all ca - rol-ing.  

Ding! Dong! Ding! Dong!

13 **p** One seems to hear words of good cheer, From ev - 'rywhere fill - ing the air.

17 **mf** Oh, how they pound, rais - ing the sound O'er hill and dale, tell - ing their tale.

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*f* Gai - ly they ring while peo-ple sing Songs of good cheer, Christ - mas is here.

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Mer - ry, mer - ry, mer - ry, mer - ry Christ - mas! *p* Mer - ry, mer - ry, mer - ry, Ding, dong, ding, dong, Ding, dong, ding, dong, Ding, dong, ding, dong,

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mer - ry Christ - mas! On, on they send, on without end Their joy - ful tone Ding, dong, ding, dong, Ding! Dong! Ding!

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to ev'ry home! Hark! how the bells, sweet sil - ver bells All seems to say throw cares away. Dong! Ding! Dong! Ding! Dong!

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2. Ding! Dong! Ding! Dong! Ding, dong, ding dong!- On, on they send on without end Their joyful tone to ev'ry home. Dong!

CHRISTMAS  
O CHRISTMAS TREE

Traditional

German Folk Song

Moderately

*mp*

1. O Christ - mas Tree! O Christ - mas Tree! Thy leaves are so un -  
 2. O Christ - mas Tree! O Christ - mas Tree! Much plea - sure thou canst  
 3. O Christ - mas Tree! O Christ - mas Tree! Thy can - dles shine so  
 4. O Christ - mas Tree! O Christ - mas Tree! How rich - ly God has

chan - ging; Not on - ly green when sum - mer's here, But  
 give me; How oft - en has the Christ - mas tree Af -  
 bright ly! From base to sum - mit gay and bright, There's  
 decked thee! Thou bidst us true and faith - ful be, And

al - so when 'tis cold and drear. O Christ - mas Tree! O  
 ford - ed me the great - est glee! O Christ - mas Tree! O  
 on - ly splen - dor for the sight. O Christ - mas Tree! O  
 trust in God un - chan - ging - ly. O Christ - mas Tree! O

Christ - mas Tree! Thy leaves are so un - chan - ging.  
 Christ - mas Tree! Much plea - sure thou canst give me.  
 Christ - mas Tree! Thy can - dles shine so bright - ly.  
 Christ - mas Tree! How rich - ly God has decked thee.

CHRISTMAS  
O TANNENBAUM

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Traditional

German Folk Song

Moderately

1. O Tan - nenbaum, o Tan - nenbaum, Wie treu sind dei - ne  
 2. O Tan - nenbaum, o Tan - nenbaum, Du kannst mir sehr ge -  
 3. O Tan - nenbaum, o Tan - nenbaum, Dein Kleid will mich was

Blät - ter!  
 fal - len!  
 lehr - en:  
 Du grünst nicht nur  
 Wie oft hat schon  
 Die Hoff - nung und  
 zur Som - mer - zeit,  
 zur Win - ter - zeit  
 Be - ständ - ig - keit  
 Nein,  
 Ein  
 Gibt

auch im Win - ter, wenn es schneit. O Tan - nenbaum, o  
 Baum von dir mich hoch er - freut! O Tan - nenbaum, o  
 Mut und Kraft zu je - der Zeit! O Tan - nenbaum, o

Tan - nenbaum, Wie treu sind dei - ne Blät - ter!  
 Tan - nenbaum, Du kannst mir sehr ge - fal - len!  
 Tan - nenbaum, Dein Kleid will mich was lehr - en!

CHRISTMAS  
DECK THE HALL

Traditional

16th Century Welsh Tune

1. Deck the hall with boughs of hol - ly, Fa la la la la, la la la la.  
 2. See the blaz - ing Yule be - fore us, Fa la la la la, la la la la.  
 3. Fast a - way the old year pass - es, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

'Tis the sea - son to be jol - ly, Fa la la la la, la la la la.  
 Strike the harp and join the cho - rus, Fa la la la la, la la la la.  
 Hail the new, ye lads and lass - es, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Don we now our gay ap-par - el; Fa la la, la la la, la la la.  
 Fol - low me in mer - ry mea - sure, Fa la la, la la la, la la la.  
 Sing we joy - ous all to-geht - er, Fa la la, la la la, la la la.

Troll the an - cient Yule - tide car - ol, Fa la la la la, la la la la.  
 While I tell of Yule - tide trea - sure, Fa la la la la, la la la la.  
 Heed - less of the wind and weath - er, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

# WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS

## Traditional

## English Folk Song

1, 4. We wish you a Mer-ry Christ-mas, We wish you a Mer-ry Christ-mas, We  
***mf*** 2. Oh, bring us a fig-gy pud-ding, Oh, bring us a fig-gy pud-ding, Oh,  
 3. We won't go un-til we get some, We won't go un-til we get some, We

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wish you a Mer - ry Christ - mas, And a hap - py New Year!  
 bring us a fig - gy pud - ding, and a cup of good cheer.  
 won't go un - til we get some, so bring it right here.

Fine

Fine

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*mp* Good tidings to you wher-ev-er you are; Good tidings for Christmas and a happy New Year!

# CHRISTMAS BELLS

## (Lovely Evening)

Somewhat quickly

Oh, how love-ly is the eve-ning, is the eve-ning, When the Christmas bells are

**JINGLE BELLS**  
(The One Horse Open Sleigh)

James Lord Pierpont (1822-1893)

James Lord Pierpont (1822-1893)

Allegro

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1. Dash-ing thro' the snow In a one-horse o - pen sleigh, O'er the fields we  
 2. A day or two a - go I thought I'd take a ride, And soon Miss Fan-nie  
 3. Now the ground is white, Go it while you're young, Take the girls to-

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go, Laughing all the way; Bells on bob tail ring, Making spi - rits  
 Bright Was seat - ed by my side; The horse was lean and lank, Mis - fortune seem'd his  
 night, And sing this sleighing song; Just get a bobtailed bay, Two - for - ty as his

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bright; O what sport to ride and sing A sleigh - ing song to - night.  
 lot. He got in - to a drift-ed bank, And we, we got up - sot.  
 speed, Hitch him to an o - pen sleigh And crack, you'll take the lead.

25, **CHORUS**

Jin-gle bells, Jin-gle bells, Jin-gle all the way; Oh! what joy it

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is to ride In a onehorse o-pen sleigh. Jin-gle bells, Jin-gle bells, Jin-gle all the way; Oh! what joy it is to ride In a onehorse o-pen sleigh.

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way; Oh! what joy it is to ride In a onehorse o-pen sleigh. Jin-gle bells, Jin-gle bells, Jin-gle all the way; Oh! what joy it is to ride In a onehorse o-pen sleigh.

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CHRISTMAS  
JOLLY OLD SAINT NICHOLAS

Anonymous, 19th Century

1. Jol - ly old Saint Ni - cho - las, Lean your ear this way!  
 2. When the clock is strik - ing twelve, When I'm fast a - sleep,  
 3. John - ny wants a pair of skates; Su - sy wants a sled;

Don't you tell a sin - gle soul What I'm going to say; \_\_\_\_\_  
 Down the chim - ney, broad and black, With your pack you'll creep; \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nel - lie wants a sto - ry - book, one she has - n't read; \_\_\_\_\_

Christ-mas Eve is com - ing soon; Now, you dear old man,  
 All the stock - ings you will find Hang - ing in a row;  
 Now I think I'll leave to you What to give the rest;

Whis - per what you'll bring to me; Tell me what you can.  
 Mine will be the short - est one, You'll be sure to know.  
 Choose for me, dear San - ta Claus, You will know the best.

## COME YE LOFTY

Rev. Archer Gurney (1820-1887)

G.J. Elvey (1816-1893)

1. Come ye lof - ty, come ye low - ly, Let your songs of glad - ness ring;  
 2. Come ye poor, no pomp of sta - tion Robes the Child your hearts a - dore:  
 3. Come ye chil - dren blithe and mer - ry, This one Child your mod - el make;  
 4. High a - bove a star is shin - ing, And the wise men haste from far:  
 5. Hark the Heav'n of heav'n is ring - ing: Christ the Lord to man is born!

In a sta - ble lies the Ho - ly, In a man - ger rests the King:  
 He, the Lord of all sal - va - tion, Shares your want, is weak and poor:  
 Christ - mas hol - ly, leaf, and ber - ry, All be prized for His dear sake:  
 Come glad hearts, and spi - rits pin - ing: For you all has ris'n the star.  
 Are not all our hearts too sing - ing, Wel - come, wel - come, Christ-mas morn?

See in Ma - ry's arms re - pos - ing Christ by high - est Heav'n a - dored:  
 Ox - en, round a - bout be-hold them; Raft - ers na - ked, cold, and bare,  
 Come ye gen - tle hearts and ten - der. Come ye spi - rits keen and bold;  
 Let us bring our poor o - bla - tions, Thanks and love, and faith and praise;  
 Still the Child, all pow'r pos - sess - ing, Smiles as through the a - ges past;

13 Come, your cir - cle round Him clos - ing, Pi - ous hearts that love the Lord.  
 See the Shep - herds, God has told them That the Prince of Life lies there.  
 All in all your hom - age ren - der, Weak and might - y, young and old.  
 Come ye peo - ple, come ye na - tions, All in all draw nigh to gaze.  
 And the song of Christ - mas bless - ing Sweet - ly sinks to rest at last.

CHRISTMAS  
THE MANGER THRONE

William Chatterson Dix (1837-1898)

Charles Steggall (1826-1905)

1. Like sil - ver lamps in a dis - tant shrine, The stars are spark - ling  
 4. The stars of heav'n still shine as at first They gleamed on this won-der-ful  
 5. Faith sees no long - er the sta - ble floor, The pave - ment of sapphire is

bright; The bells of the ci - ty of God ring out, For the  
 night; The bells of the ci - ty of God peal out, And the  
 there; The clear light of Heav-en streams out to the world; And

Son of Ma - ry was born to - night; The gloom is past, and the  
 An - gels' song still rings in the height; And love still turns where the  
 Angels of God are crowd - ing the air; And Heav'n and earth, through the

10 morn at last Is com - ing with or - ient light.  
 God - head burns, Hid in flesh from flesh - ly sight.  
 spot - less Birth, Are at peace on this night so fair.

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2. Nev - er fell me - lo - dies half so sweet As those which are fill - ing the  
 3. Now a new Pow'r has come on the earth, A match for the arm - ies of

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skies; And nev - er a pa - lace shone half so fair As the  
 Hell: A child is born who shall con - quer the foe, And -

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man - ger bed where our Sav - ior lies; No night in the year is -  
 all the spi - rits of wicked - ness quell: For Ma - ry's Son is the

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half so dear As this which has end - ed our sighs.  
 Might - y One Whom the pro - phets of God fore - tell.

## JESU HAIL! O GOD MOST HOLY

*Ave Jesu Deus*

Translated by Rev. H.R. Bramley (1833-1917)

Sir John Stainer (1840-1901)

1. Je - su hail! O God most ho - ly, Gen - tle Lamb, an In - fant low - ly;  
 2. To en - rich my des - o - la - tion, To re - deem me from dam - na - tion,  
**mf** 3. Low a - based, where brutes are sleep-ing, God's be - lov - ed Son is weep-ing;  
 4. Je - su, Thine my heart is sole - ly; Draw it, take it to Thee whol - ly:  
 5. Hence let i - dle fan - cies van - ish, Hence all e - vil pas - sions ban - ish;

Born, great God, a hu - man stran - ger, Laid with - in the nar - row man - ger:  
 Wrapt in swath - ing-bands Thou li - est, Thou in want and weak - ness sigh - est:  
 Judge su - preme, true God - head shar - ing, Sin - ner's like - ness for us wear - ing!  
 With Thy sa - cred Fire il - lume me, Let it in - ward - ly con - sume me,  
 Make me like Thy - self in meek - ness, Bind to Thee my hu - man weak - ness,

**f** Might transcending, Weak - ness blending, Greatness bend-ing from the sky; Love un -

26 end - ing, man be - friend-ing, **ff** God most High, God most High.

*Last Verse*

CHRISTMAS  
AVE JESU DEUS

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Anonymous

Sir John Stainer (1840-1901)

1. A - ve Je - su De - us ma - gne, A - ve Pu - er, mi - tis a - gne,  
 2. Ut me páu - pe - rem di - tá - res, Ut me pér - di - tum sal - vá - res,  
**mf** 3. In - ter bru - ta quam ab - jéc - tus Va - gis, Pa - tris o di - léc - tus!  
 4. O mi Je - su, cor de - gó - tum Post te tra - he, su - me to - tum,  
 5. Pro - cul va - nos hinc a - mó - res, Pro - cul ma - los ar - ce mo - res,

A - ve De - us ho - mo na - te, In Præ - sé - pi re - cli - ná - te!  
 Ja - ces pan - nis in - vo - lú - tus, Om - ni o - pe de - sti - tú - tus.  
 Ju - dex sum - me, ve - rus De - us, Prop - ter me fis ho - mo re - us!  
 I - gne tu - o sanc - to u - re, Ah, ah pé - ni - tus com - bú - re.  
 Tu - is me - os ap - tos fin - ge, Æ - té - no me ne - xu strin - ge,

*cresc.*  
**f** O pot - és - tas, o e - gés - tas, O ma - jés - tas Dó - mi - ni!

*Versus Postremus*

O ma - jés - tas, quid non præ - stas **ff** hó - mi - ni? hó - mi - ni?

CHRISTMAS  
CORDE NATUS

Marcus Aurelius Clemens Prudentius (348-413?)

*Divinum Mysterium, 13th Century Melody*

1. Cor - de na - tus ex pa - rén - - tis An - te mundi ex - ór - - di - um  
 2. Ip - se jus - sit et cre - á - ta, di - xit ip - se et fac - - ta sunt,  
 3. Cór - po - ris for - mam ca - dú - ci, mem - bra mor - ti ob - nó - xi - a

3 A et O co - gno - mi - ná - - tus, ip - se fons et cláu - - su - la  
 Ter - ra, cæ - lum, fos - sa pon - - ti, tri - na re - rum má - - chi - na,  
 Ind - u - it, ne gens per - í - - ret pri - mo - plás - ti ex gér - - mi - ne,

5 Om - ni - um quæ sunt, fu - é - - runt, quæ - que post fu - tú - ra sunt.  
 Quæque in his vi - gent sub al - - to so - lis et lu - næ glo - bo.  
 Mér - se - - rat quem lex pro - fún - - do no - xi - á - - lis tár - ta - ro.

8 Sæ - cu - ló - rum sæ - cu - lis. 4. O be - á - tus or - tus il - - le,  
 Sæ - cu - ló - rum sæ - cu - lis. 5. Psal - lat al - ti - tú - do cæ - - li,  
 Sæ - cu - ló - rum sæ - cu - lis. 6. Ec - ce, quem va - tes ve - tús - - tis

10 vir - go cum pu - ér - - pe - ra E - di - dit nos - tram sa - lú - - tem,  
 psal-lant om - nes án - - ge - li, Quid - quid est vir - tú - tis us - - quam  
 con - ci - né - bant sæ - - cu - lis, Quem pro - phe - tás - rum fi - dé - - les

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fe - ta Sanc - to Spi - ri - tu,  
psal - lat in lau - dem De - i,  
pá - gi - næ spo - pón - de - rant,  
Et pu - er redémp - tor or - bis  
Nul - la lin - guárum si - lés - cat,  
E - mi - cat pro - mis - sus o - lim;

os sa - crá - tum  
vox et om - nis  
cunc - ta con - láu -

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pró - tu - lit.  
cón - so - net.  
dent e - um.  
Sæ - cu - ló - rum  
Sæ - cu - ló - rum  
Sæ - cu - ló - rum

sæ - cu - lis.  
sæ - cu - lis.  
sæ - cu - lis.  
7. Mac - te ju - dex mor - tu - ó - rum,  
8. Te se - nes et te ju - vén - tus,  
9. Ti - bi, Christe, sit cum Pa - tre

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mac - te rex vi - vén -  
par - vu - ló - rum te  
há - gi - o - que Pnéu -

ti - um,  
cho - rus,  
ma - te

Dex - ter in Pa - rén - tis ar - ce  
Tur - ba ma - trum, vir - gi - nún - que,  
Hym - nus, de - cus, laus per - én - nis,

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qui clu - is vir - tú -  
sím - pli - ces pu - él -  
gra - ti - á - rum ác -

ti - bus,  
lu - læ,  
ti - o,

Om - ni - um ven - tú - rus in - de  
Vo - ce con - cór - des pu - dí - cis  
Ho - nor, vir - tus, vic - tó - ri - a,

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jus - tus ul - tor crí - mi - num.  
pér - stre - pant con - cén - ti - bus.  
re - gnum æ - ter - ná - li - ter.

Sæ - cu - ló - rum  
Sæ - cu - ló - rum  
Sæ - cu - ló - rum

sæ - cu - lis.  
sæ - cu - lis.  
sæ - cu - lis.

## OF THE FATHER'S LOVE BEGOTTEN

Translated by John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

*Divinum Mysterium, 13th Century Melody*

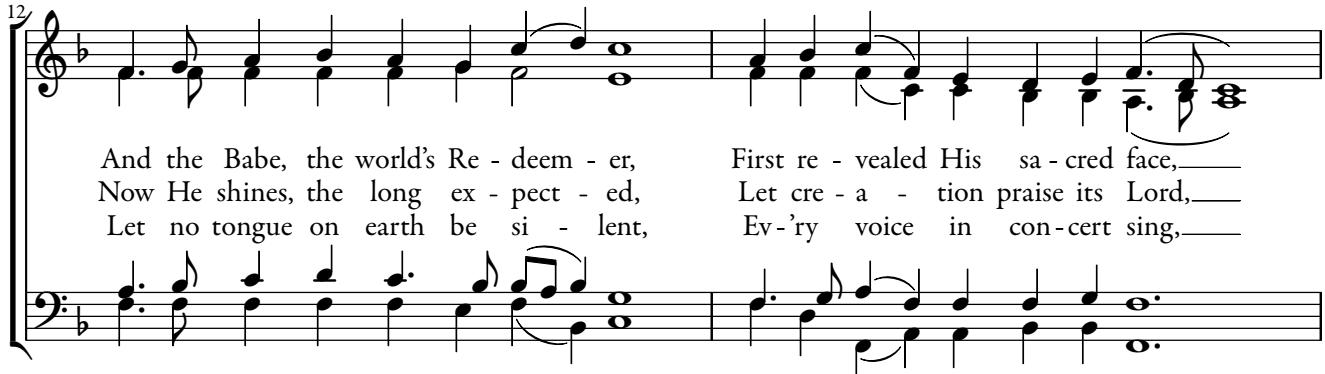
1. Of the Fa-ther's love be - got - ten, Ere the worlds be - gan to be,  
 2. At His Word the worlds were fram - èd; He com - mand - ed; it was done:  
 3. He is found in hu - man fash - ion, Death and sor - row here to know,

He is Al - pha and O - me - ga, He the source, the end - ing He,  
 Heav'n and earth and depths of o - cean In their three - fold or - der one;  
 That the race of A - dam's chil - dren Doomed by law to end - less woe,

Of the things that are, that have been, And that fu - ture years shall see,  
 All that grows be - neath the shin - ing Of the moon and burn - ing sun,  
 May not hence - forth die and per - ish In the dread - ful gulf be - low,

Ever-more and ev - er - more! 4. O that birth for - ev - er bless - èd, When the Vir - gin,  
 Ever-more and ev - er - more! 5. This is He Whom seers in old time Chant - ed of with  
 Ever-more and ev - er - more! 6. O ye heights of heav'n a - dore Him; An - gel hosts, His

full of grace, By the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing, Bare the Sav - ior of our race;  
 one ac - cord; Whom the voi - ces of the pro - phets Promised in their faith - ful word;  
 prais - es sing; Pow'rs, do - minions, bow be - fore Him, And ex - tol our God and King!

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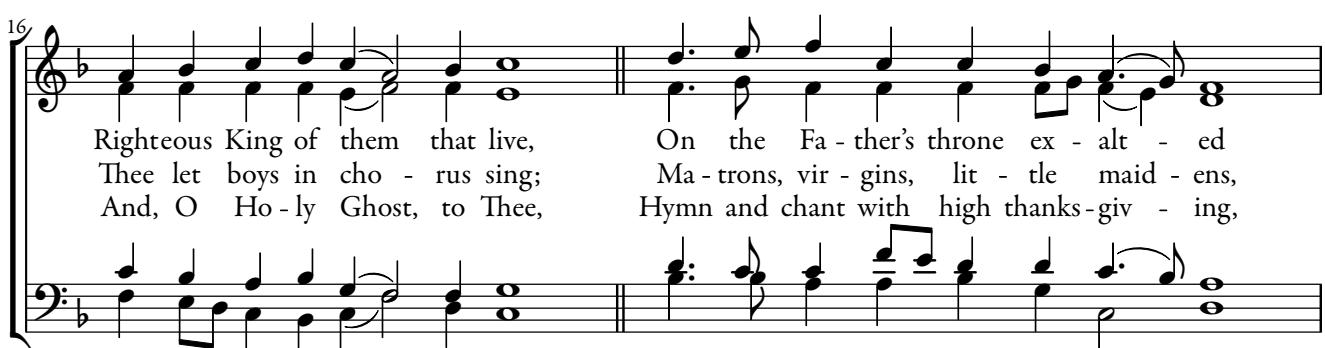
And the Babe, the world's Re - deem - er,  
Now He shines, the long ex - pect - ed,  
Let no tongue on earth be si - lent,

First re - vealed His sa - cred face,  
Let cre - a - tion praise its Lord,  
Ev -'ry voice in con - cert sing,

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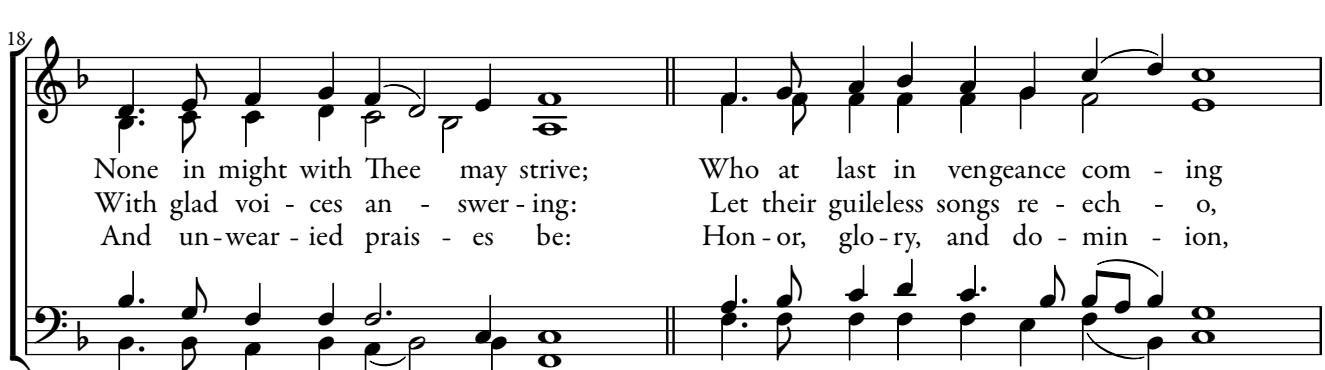
Ev -er - more and ev -er - more!  
Ev -er - more and ev -er - more!  
Ev -er - more and ev -er - more!

7. Right - eous judge of souls de - part - ed,  
8. Thee let old men, thee let young men,  
9. Christ, to Thee with God the Fa - ther,

16 

Righteous King of them that live,  
Thee let boys in cho - rus sing;  
And, O Ho - ly Ghost, to Thee,

On the Fa - ther's throne ex - alt - ed  
Ma - trons, vir - gins, lit - tle maid - ens,  
Hymn and chant with high thanks - giv - ing,

18 

None in might with Thee may strive;  
With glad voi - ces an - swer - ing:  
And un - wear - ied prais - es be:

Who at last in vengeance com - ing  
Let their guileless songs re - ech - o,  
Hon - or, glo - ry, and do - min - ion,

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Sin - ners from Thy face shalt drive,  
And the heart its mu - sic bring,  
And e - ter - nal vic - to - ry,

Ev -er - more and ev -er - more!  
Ev -er - more and ev -er - more!  
Ev -er - more and ev -er - more!

CHRISTMAS  
COME! TUNE YOUR HEART*Auf schicke dich*, by Christian Fürchtegott Gellert (1715–1769)

Sir Frederick A. G. Ouseley (1825–1889)

Translated by Frances E. Cox (1812–1897)

1. Come! tune your heart, To bear its part, And ce - le -  
 2. Ex - alt His Name; With joy pro - claim, God loved the  
**mf** 3. Your ref - uge place In His free grace, Trust in His  
 4. O Christ, to prove For Thee, my love, In breth - ren  
 5. Come! praise the Lord; In Heav'n are stored Rich gifts for

brate Mes - si - ah's feast with prais - es, with prais - es;  
 world, and through His Son for - gave us, for - gave us;  
 Name, and day by day re - pent you, re - pent you;  
 Thee my hands shall clothe and cher - ish, and cher - ish;  
 those who here His Name e - steem - ed, e - steem - ed;

**ff**

14 Let love in - spire The joy - ful choir, While to the God of  
 Oh! what are we, That, Lord, we see Thy won - drous love, in  
 Ye mock God's word, Who call Him Lord, And fol - low not the  
 To each sad heart Sweet Hope im - part, When worn with care, with  
 Al - le - lu - ia; Al - le - lu - ia; Re - joice in Christ, and

22 Love, glad Hymns it rais - es, it rais - - - es.  
 Christ who died to save us, to save - - us!  
 pat - tern He hath lent you, hath lent - - you.  
 sor - row nigh to per - ish, to per - - ish.  
 praise Him ye re - deem - ed, re - deem - ed.

## 'TWAS IN THE WINTER COLD

## A Christmas Morning Hymn

Rev. Charles I. Black (1821-1896)

Joseph Barnby (1838-1896)

1. 'Twas in the win - ter cold, when earth Was de - so - late and wild,\_\_\_  
 2. Then in the man - ger the poor beast Was pre - sent with his Lord;\_\_\_  
**mf** 3. But I have not, it makes me sigh, One off - 'ring in my pow'r;\_\_\_  
 4. Grant me Thy - self, O Sav - ior kind, The Spi - rit un - de - filed,\_\_\_  
 5. Light of the ev - er - last - ing morn, Deep through my spi - rit shine;\_\_\_

That An - gels wel - com - ed at His Birth The ev - er - last - ing Child.  
 Then swains and pil - grims from the East Saw, won - dered, and a - dored.  
**f** 'Tis win - ter all with me, and I Have nei - ther fruit nor flow'r.  
 That I may be in heart and mind As gen - tle as a child;  
 There let Thy pre - sence new - ly born Make all my be - ing Thine:

From realms of ev - er bright - 'ning day, And from His throne a - bove  
 And I this morn would come with them This bless - ed sight to see,  
 O God, O Bro - ther let me give, My worth - less self to Thee;  
 That I may tread life's ar - duous ways As Thou Thy - self hast trod,  
 There try me as the sil - ver, try, And cleanse my soul with care,

He came, with hu - man kind to stay, All low - li - ness and love.  
 And to the Babe of Beth - le - hem Bend low the rev - 'rent knee.  
 And that the years which I may live May pure and spot - less be:  
 And in the might of prayer and praise Keep ev - er close to God.  
 Till Thou art a - ble to de - scry Thy fault - less im - age there.

CHRISTMAS  
THE WAITS' SONGTraditional  
*Moderato.*  
*mf*

Traditional

1. The moon shines bright and the stars give a light A little be - fore the day: Our  
 2. A - wake, a - wake, good peo - ple\_ all, A - wake, and you shall hear, The

5 might - y Lord He looked on us, And bade us a - wake and pray.  
 Lord our God died on the Cross For us He loved so dear.

3. O fair, O fair Je - ru - sa - lem, When shall I come to thee?  
 4. The fields were green as green as could be, When from His glo - riou seat,

When shall my sor - rows have an end, Thy joy that I may see?  
 Our bless - ed Fa - ther wa - tered us, With His Heav'n - ly dew so sweet.

5. And for the sav - ing of our souls Christ died up - on the Cross,  
 6. The life of man is but a span, And cut down in its flow'r,

We ne'er shall do for Je-sus Christ As He hath done for us.  
We're here to-day, to-mor-row gone, The creatures of an hour.

7. In-struct and teach your chil-dren well, The while that you are here; It  
8. To-day you may be a-live and well, Worth ma-nya thou-sand pound; To -

will be bet-ter for your soul, When your corpse lies on the bier.  
mor-row dead and cold as clay, Your corpse laid un-der-ground.

9. With one turf at thy head, O man, And a-noth-er at thy feet;  
10. My song is done, I must be gone, I can stay no long-er here;

Thy good deeds and thy bad, O man, Will all to-gether meet.  
God bless you all, both great and small, And send you a joyful new year.

## THE INCARNATION

Rev. H. R. Bramley (1833-1917)

Traditional

1. The great God of Heav-en is come down to earth, His moth-er a  
*mf* 2. A Babe on the breast of a maid-en He lies, Yet sits with the  
 3. Lo! here is Em-man-u-el, here is the Child, The Son that was

Vir-gin, and sin-less His Birth; The Fa-ther e-ter-nal His  
 Fa-ther on high in the skies; Be-fore Him their fa-ces the  
 prom-ised to Ma-ry so mild; Whose pow'r and do-min-ion shall

11 Fa-ther a-lone: He sleeps in the man-ger; He reigns on the Throne.  
 Ser-a-phim hide, While Jo-seph stands wait-ing, un-scared, by His side.  
 ev-er in-crease, The Prince that shall rule o'er a king-dom of peace.

17 *ff* Then let us a-dore Him, and praise His great love,

To save us poor sin-ners He came from a-bove.

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4. The won - der - ful Coun - sel - lor, bound - less in might, The Fa - ther's own  
**mf** 5. Oh! won - der of won - ders, which none can un - fold; The An - cient of  
6. The Word in the bliss of the God - head re - mains, Yet in flesh comes to

32

Im - age, the Beam of His Light; Be - hold Him now wear - ing the  
days is an hour or two old; The Ma - ker of all things is  
suf - fer the keen - est of pains; He is that He was, and for -

37

like - ness of man, Weak, help - less, and speech-less, in mea - sure a span.  
made of the earth, Man is wor-shipped by an - gels, and God comes to birth.  
ev - er shall be, But be-comes that He was not, for you and for me.

43

**ff** Then let us a - dore Him, and praise His great love,

To save us poor sin - ners He came from a - bove.

## GOD'S DEAR SON

17th Century English

Traditional

**mf** 1. God's dear Son, with - out be - gin - ning, Whom the wick - ed Jews did scorn;  
 2. Beth - le - hem, King Da - vid's ci - ty, Birth - place of that Babe we find,  
 3. No prince - ly pal - ace for our Sav - ior In Ju - de - a could be found,

**p** The on - ly wise, with - out all sin - ning, On this bless - ed day was born;  
 God and Man en - dued with pi - ty, And the Sav - ior of man-kind:  
 But sweet Ma - ry's meek be - hav - ior Pa - tient - ly up - on the ground

**ff** To save us all from sin and thrall, When we in Sa - tan's chains were bound;  
 Yet Jew - ry land, with cru - el hand, Both first and last His pow'r de - nied;  
 Her Babe did place, in vile dis - grace, Where ox - en in their stalls did feed;

**mf** And shed His blood to do us good With ma - ny a pur - ple bleed - ing wound.  
 When He was born they did Him scorn, And showed Him mal - ice when He died.  
 No mid-wife mild had this sweet Child, Nor wo - man's help at moth - er's need.

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4. No king - ly robes nor gold - en trea - sure Decked the birth - day of God's Son;  
**mf** 5. Yet, as Ma - ry sat in sol - ace By our Sav - ior's cra - dle side,  
 6. Now to Him that hath re-deemed us By His death on ho - ly Rood,

**p** No pomp - ous train at all took plea - sure To the King of kings to run;  
 Hosts of An - gels from God's Pal - ace, Sing - ing sweet through Heav'n so wide:  
 And as sin - ners so e-steemed us, As to buy us with His Blood,

**ff** No man - tle brave could Je - sus have Up - on His cra - dle cold to lie;  
 Yea, Heav'n and earth, at Je - su's birth, With sweet mel - o - dious tunes a - bound;  
 Yield last - ing fame, that still the Name Of Je - sus may be hon - ored here;

**mf** No mu-sic's charms in nurse - s arms To sing that Babe a lul - la - by.  
 And ev - 'ry thing to Jew - ry's King, Through all the world gives cheer - ful sound.  
 And let us say that Christmas Day Is still the best day in the year.

## THE BABE OF BETHLEHEM

Traditional

1. The Babe in Beth - lem's man - ger laid, In hum - ble form so low;  
**mf** 2. A Sav - ior! sin - ners all a - round Sing, shout the won - drous word;  
 3. For not to sit on Da - vid's throne With world - ly pomp and joy,

By won - dring An - gels is sur - vey'd, Thro' all His scenes of woe.  
 Let ev - 'ry bo - som hail the sound, A Sav - ior! Christ the Lord.  
 He came for sin - ners to a - tone, And Sa - tan to de - stroy.

**ff** No - él, no - él, Now sing a Sav - ior's Birth; All hail, all

hail His com - ing down to earth, Who rais - es us to Heav'n!

17 4. To preach the Word of Life Di - vine, And feed with liv - ing Bread,  
**mf** 5. He preached, He suf - fered, bled and died, Up - lift 'twixt earth and skies;  
 6. Well may we sing a Sav - ior's Birth, Who need the Grace so giv'n,

To heal the sick with hand be - nign, And raise to life the dead.  
 In sin - ners' stead was cru - ci - fied, For sin a sac - ri - fice.  
 And hail His com - ing down to earth, Who rais - es us to Heav'n.

# GOD LOVED THE WORLD

(Also hat Gott die Welt geliebt)

from the Trier Gesangbuch, 1871

Arranged by B. Luard Selby (1853-1918)

Chorus

16 *Last verse.*

23 Additional verses

## HOW GREAT OUR JOY!

German Carol

Translated by Theodore Baker (1851-1934)

German Melody

Arranged by Hugo Jüngst (1853-1923)

1. While by the sheep we watched at night, Glad tid - ings brought an an - gel bright.  
 2. There shall be born, so he did say, In Beth - le - hem a Child to - day.  
 3. There shall the Child lie in a stall, This Child who shall re - deem us all.  
 4. This gift of God we'll cher - ish well, That ev - er joy our hearts shall fill.

*f* How great our joy! *p* Great our joy! *f* Joy, joy, joy! *p* Joy, joy, joy!

*f* Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high! *p* Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!

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## JESUS IN THE MANGER

Translated by Rev. H.R. Bramley (1833-1917) from Latin

Henry Smart (1813-1879)

*Con spirito.*

1. Why, Most High - est, art Thou ly - ing, In a man - ger poor and  
 2. On a Moth - er's breast Thou sleep - est, Moth - er, yet a Vir - gin  
 3. Weak the Strong, of strength the Giv - er: Small, Whose arms cre - a - tion

4

low? Thou, the fires of heav'n sup - ply - ing, Come a sta - ble's cold to know?  
still; Sad, with eyes bedimmed Thou weep - est, Eyes, which Heav'n with glad - ness fill.  
span; Bound, Who on - ly can de - liv - er; Born is He Who ne'er be - gan.

9

**p** O what works of love stu - pen-dous Were sal - va-tion's price! Burn-ing  
**f** O what works of love stu - pen-dous, Je - su, Were sal - va-tion's price! Burn-ing  
O what works of love stu - pen-dous Were sal - va-tion's price! Burn-ing

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wert Thou to be - friend us, Ex - iles far from Pa - ra - - dise.  
wert Thou to be - friend us, Ex - iles far from Pa - ra - - dise.  
wert Thou to be - friend us, Ex - iles far from Pa - ra - - dise.

## FROM FAR AWAY

William Morris (1834-1896)

John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

*mf*

1. From far a - way we come to you,  
 2. For as we wan - dered far and wide, *The snow in the street, and the wind on the door,*  
 3. Under a bent when the night was deep,

*mf*

To tell of great ti - dings strange and true,  
 What hap do you deem there should us be - tide? *Minstrels and maids stand*  
 There lay three shep - herds tend-ing their sheep,

*p*

*f*

8 From far a - way we come to you, To  
 forth on the floor, Stand forth on the floor. For as we wan - dered far and wide, What  
 Under a bent when the night was deep,

*mf*

13 tell of great ti - dings strange and true, From far a - way we  
 hap do you deem there should us be - tide? For as we wan - dered  
 There lay three shep - herds tend-ing their sheep, Un - der a bent when the

*dim.*

16 come to you, To tell of great ti - dings strange and true.  
 far and wide, What hap do you deem there should us be - tide?  
 night was deep, There lay three shep - herds tend ing their sheep.

22 *mf* *pp*

4. "O ye shepherds, what have ye seen,  
 5. "In an ox - stall this night we saw, *The snow in the street, and the wind on the door,*  
 6. There was an old man there be-side;

*mf* *pp*

To slay your sor - row and heal your teen?"  
 A Babe and a Maid with-out a flaw, *Minstrels and maids stand forth on the floor,*  
 His hair was white, and his hood was wide,

*mf* *p*

*f* *mf*

Stand forth on the floor. "O ye shepherds, what have ye seen, To  
 There was an old man there be-side; His  
 "In an ox - stall this night we saw, A

*mf*

slay your sor - row and heal your teen?" "O ye shepherds, what have ye seen,  
 Babe and a Maid with - out a flaw, "In an ox - stall this night we saw,  
 hair was white, and his hood was wide, There was an old man there be - side;

*mf*

*dim.*

To slay your sor - row and heal your teen?"  
 A Babe and a Maid with - out a flaw.  
 His hair was white, and his hood was wide.

*mf*

44 *mf*      *pp*

7. And as we gazed this thing up - on,  
 8. And a mar - vel - lous song we straight did hear, *The snow in the street, and the*  
 9. News of a fair and a mar - vel - lous thing,

48 *mf*      *p*

Those twain knelt down to the lit - tle One,  
*wind on the door, That slew* our sor - row and healed our care," *Minstrels and maids stand*  
*No - él, No - él, No - él, we sing!*

52 *f*      *mf*

forth on the floor; *Stand forth on the floor.* And as we gazed this thing up - on,  
 And a mar - vel - lous song we straight did hear,  
 News of a fair and a mar - vel - lous thing,

*f*      *mf*

Those twain knelt down to the lit - tle One, And as we gazed this  
 That slew our sor - row and healed our care," And a mar - vel - lous song we  
 No - él, No - él, No - él, we sing! News of a fair and a

60 *dim.*

thing up - on, Those twain knelt down to the lit - - - tle One.  
 straight did hear, That slew our sor - row and healed our care,"  
 mar - vel - lous thing, No - él, No - él, No - él, we sing!

## IN BETHLEHEM, THAT NOBLE PLACE

James Ryman, 1492

Sir Frederick A. G. Ouseley (1825-1889)

1. In Beth - le - hem, that no - ble place, As by the Pro - phet said it was,  
**mf** 2. On Christ-mas night an An - gel told The shep-herds watch-ing by their fold,  
 3. The shep-herds were en - com - passed right, A - bout them shone a glo - rious light,

## CAROL FOR CHRISTMAS DAY

William Austin (1587-1634)

Sir Arthur S. Sullivan (1842-1900)

*mf*

1. All this night bright an - gels sing, Nev - er was such ca - rol-ing, Hark! a voice which  
 2. Wake, O earth, wake ev - 'ry-thing, Wake and hear the joy I bring: Wake and joy; for

*mf*

loud - ly cries, "Mor - tals, mor - tals, wake and rise. Lo! to glad - ness Turns your  
 all this night, Heav'n and ev - 'ry twink - ling light, All a - maz - ing, Still stand

*cresc.*

12 *p*

sad - ness: From the earth is ris'n a Sun, Shines all night though day be done."  
 gaz - ing; An - gels, Pow'rs, and all that be, Wake, and joy this Sun to see.

*f*

18 *p*

3. Hail! O Sun, O bless-ed Light, Sent in - to this world by night; Let Thy Rays and

*p*

23 *dim.* *pp* *cresc.*

heav'n - ly Pow'rs, Shine in these dark souls of ours. For most du - ly, Thou art

*pp*

29 *f* *rit.*

tru - ly God and man, we do confess: Hail, O Sun of Right - eous - ness!

*ff*

from *Christmas Carols, New and Old*

## THE SANS DAY CAROL

Traditional

Traditional Cornish

1. Now the Hol - ly bears a ber - ry As white as the milk, And  
 2. Now the Hol - ly bears a ber - ry As green as the grass, And  
 3. Now the Hol - ly bears a ber - ry As red as the blood, And  
 4. Now the Hol - ly bears a ber - ry As black as a coal, And

Ma - ry bore Je - sus Who was wrapt up in silk;  
 Ma - ry bore Je - sus Who died on the Cross.  
 Ma - ry bore Je - sus Who died on the Rood.  
 Ma - ry bore Je - sus Who died for us all.

And Ma-ry bore Jesus Christ Our Sav-ior for to be; And the first tree of the greenwood It

was the Hol - ly, Hol - ly, Hol - ly, And the first tree of the greenwood It was the Hol - ly.

## CHRYSTMASSE OF OLDE

Eugene Field (1850-1895)

Swiss Air

1. God rest you, Chryst - en gen - til men, Wher-ev - er you may be, Wher-ev - er  
 2. Last night ye shep - herds in ye east Saw ma - ny a wondrous thing, Saw ma - ny a

you may be, God rest you all in fielde or hall, Or  
 won-drous thing; Ye sky last night flamed pass - ing bright Whiles

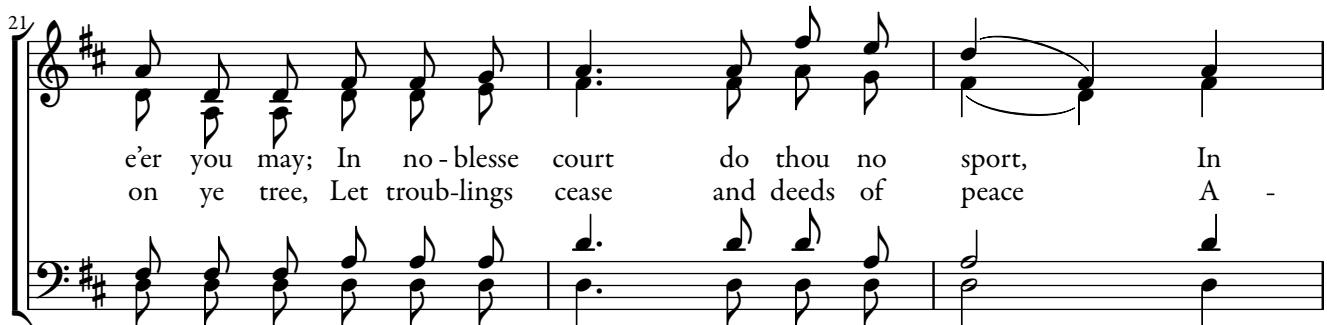
on\_\_\_\_\_ ye storm - y sea; For on this morn, this morn, oure Chryst is  
 that\_\_\_\_\_ ye stars did sing, And an - gels came to bless, to bless ye

born, is born, That sav - eth you and me, That sav - eth you and me. For on this  
 name, ye name Of Je - sus Chryst, oure Kyng, Of Je - sus Chryst, oure Kyng. And an - gels

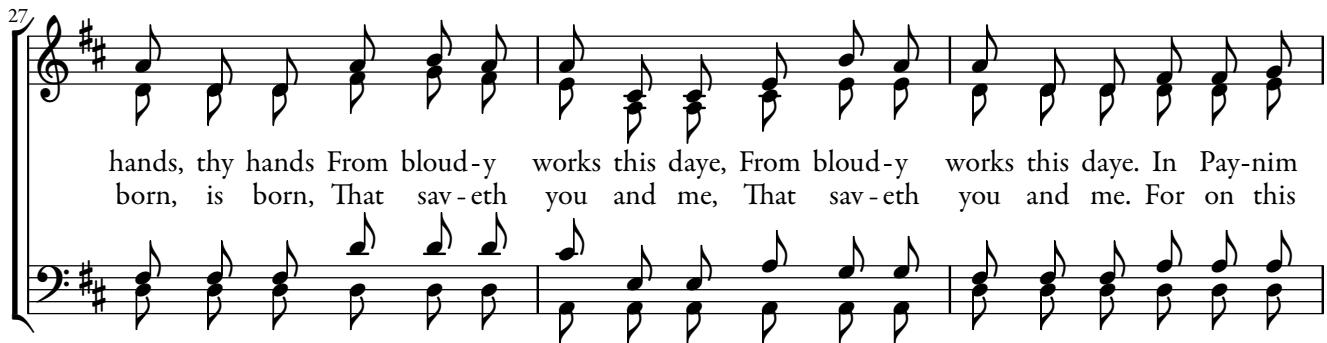
13 morn oure Chryst is born That sav - eth you and me.  
 came to bless ye name Of Je - sus Chryst, oure Kyng.



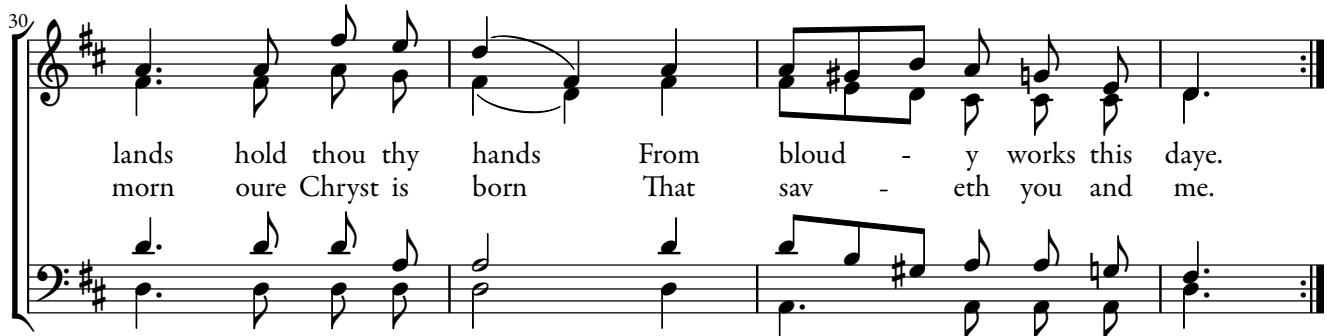
3. God rest you, Chryst - en gen - til men, Far - ing wher - e'er you may, Far - ing wher -  
4. But thinking on ye gen - til Lord That died up - on ye tree, That died up -



tour - na - ment no playe, In Pay-nim lands hold thou, hold thou thy bound in Chryst-an - tie; For on this morn, this morn, oure Chryst is



hands, thy hands From bloud - y works this daye, From bloud - y works this daye. In Pay-nim born, is born, That sav - eth you and me, That sav - eth you and me. For on this



lands hold thou thy hands From bloud - y works this daye. In Pay-nim morn oure Chryst is born That sav - eth you and me.

## AD CANTUS LÆTITIÆ

13th Century Manuscript at Stuttgart

English by George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848-1934)

As found in *Piae Cantiones*, 1582

Alto

1. Ad can - tus læ - tí - ti - æ Nos in - ví - tat hó -  
 2. Na - tus est E - má - nu - el, Quod præ - dí - xit Gá -  
 3. Er - go nos cum gáu - di - o, Nos - tra si - mul cón -

Basso

1. Ad can - tus læ - tí - ti - æ Nos in - ví - tat  
 2. Na - tus est E - má - nu - el, Quod præ - dí - xit  
 3. Er - go nos cum gáu - di - o, Nos - tra si - mul

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di - e Spes et a - mor pá - tri - æ Cæ - lés - tis.  
 bri - el, Un - de sanc - tus Dá - ni - el Est - tes - tis.  
 ti - o Be - ne - dí - cat Dó - mi - no Jú - bi - lo.

hó - di - e Spes et a - mor pá - tri - æ Cæ - lés - tis.  
 Gá - bri - el, Un - de sanc - tus Dá - ni - el Est - tes - tis.  
 cón - ti - o Be - ne - dí - cat Dó - mi - no Jú - bi - lo.

The same, in English

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Alto

1. Love and hope of heav'n - ly rest, And the song of such  
 2. Born is our E - man - u - el, As fore - told by Ga -  
 3. Where - fore let th'as - sem - bly all Bless, in ca - rol and

Basso

1. Love and hope of heav'n - ly rest, And the song of  
 2. Born is our E - man - u - el, As fore - told by  
 3. Where - fore let th'as - sem - bly all Bless, in ca - rol

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as - fest To - day bid us do our best En - deav - or.  
 bri - el, E'en as doth Saint Dan - i - el As - sev - er.  
 cho - ral, Je - sus on this fes - tiv - al, And ev - er.

such as fest To - day bid us do our best En - deav - or.  
 Ga - bri - el, E'en as doth Saint Dan - i - el As - sev - er.  
 and cho - ral, Je - sus on this fes - tiv - al, And ev - er.

from *The Cowley Carol Book*, 1919

## CHRISTMAS TIME IS COME AGAIN

Anonymous, 1863

1. Christmas time is come a-gain, Christmas plea-sures bringing; Let us join our  
2. An-gels sang; let men re-ply, And chil-dren join their voi-ces; Raise the cho-rus

voi-ces now, And Christ-mas songs be singing. Years a - go, one star-ry night,  
loud and high, Earth and heav'n re - joi-ces. When we reach that hap-py place,

Thus the sto - ry's giv-en, An - gel bands o'er Bethlem's plains, Sang the songs of  
Joy - ous prais - es bringing, Then, be - fore our Fa-ther's face, We shall still be

16 Chorus

heav-en. Glo - ry be to God on high! Peace, goodwill to mortals!  
singing.

Christ the Lord is born tonight, Heav'n throws wide its por-tals.

## A DAY, A DAY OF GLORY

John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

Old French

Arranged by Dr. Charles Wood (1866-1926)

1. A day, a day of glo - ry! A day that ends our woe!  
 2. With Glo - ria in ex - cel - sis Arch - an - gels tell their mirth:  
 3. He comes, His throne the man - ger; He comes, His shrine the stall;  
 4. Then bar the gates, that hence - forth None thus may pas - sage win,

5 A day that tells of tri - umph A - gainst our van - quish'd foe!  
 With Ky - ri - e e - lei - son Men an - swer up - on earth:  
 The ox and ass His cour - tiers, Who made and gov - erns all:  
 Be - cause the Prince of Is - rael A - lone hath en - ter'd in:

10 Yield, sum - mer's bright - est sun - rise, To this De - cem - ber morn:  
 And an - gels swell the tri - umph, And mor - tals raise the horn,  
 The "House of Bread" His birth - place, The Prince of wine and corn:  
 The earth, the sky, the o - cean His glo - rious way a - dorn:

15 Lift up your gates, ye Prin - ces, And let the Child be born!

CHRISTMAS  
EARTH TODAY Rejoices

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John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

*Ave maris stella lucens*, from *Piae Cantiones*, 1582

Arranged by George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848-1934)

1. Earth to - day re - joi - ces, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,  
 2. Re - con - ci - li - a - tion, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,  
 3. Though the cold grows stron - ger, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,

Death can hurt no more; And ce - les - tial voi - ces, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu -  
 Peace that lasts for aye, Gladness and sal - va - tion, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu -  
 Though the world loves night, Yet the days grow lon - ger, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu -

ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Tell that sin is o'er. Da - vid's sling de - stroys the foe:  
 ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Came on Christmas Day. Gid - eon's Fleece is wet with dew,  
 ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is born our Light. Now the Di - al's type is learnt,

Sam - son lays the tem - ple low: War and strife are done, God and man are one.  
 Sol - o - mon is crown'd a - new: War and strife are done, God and man are one.  
 Burns the Bush that is not burnt: War and strife are done, God and man are one.

## Ho! STEWARD, BID MY SERVANTS

John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

Ancient ecclesiastical pre-Reformation melody

Arranged by Charles Wood (1866-1926)

1. 'Ho! stew - ard, bid my ser - vants Go forth, and hith - er call,  
 2. 'Sire, shall I bid the no - ble, That ban - quets in his state,  
 3. 'Sire, shall I bid in Di - vès, For it is ve - ry plain,

For guests, my friends and neigh - bors, To sup with me in hall;  
 With pur - ple and fine lin - en, With gold and sil - ver plate?  
 If ye give him a ban - quet, Hell ban - quet you a - gain?

That, at this bless - ed sea - son, Which comes but once a year,  
 'Nay, bid me not the no - ble, For he hath got e - now;  
 'Nay, bid not hith - er Di - vès, For it shall ne'er be thus,

We may, as folk in old - en days, Re - joice, and make good cheer.  
 But bring me in the coun - try man, That liv - eth by the plow.  
 But go a - mong the al - ley - lanes, And fetch in La - za - rus.

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4. 'Sire, shall I bid the mer - chant, That hath up - on the seas  
 5. 'And where - fore must I turn me From no - ble and from rich?  
 6. 'For these be they, good stew - ard, Whom God doth chief - ly choose,

His fleets of ca - ra - vel - las, And right great ar - go - sies?'  
 And where - fore seek the poor man, That dwells in lane and ditch?'  
 And these, His poor - er breth - ren, No man may dare re - fuse.

'Nay, bid me not the mer - chant, But go and fetch the clerk,  
 'Man, lay to heart the rea - son, Be - cause the King of all,  
 So, in this bleak De - cem - ber, Then make we best good cheer,

That with the ban - dog goes to rest, And ris - eth with the lark.  
 Though rich, grew poor, for mor - tal sake. And born was in a stall.  
 When, for the sake of Babe Je - su, The poor we wel - come here.'

## HAIL! HOLY CHILD, LAIN IN AN OXEN MANGER

George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848–1934)

Flemish, *Quittez, pasteurs, vos brebis et boulette*

Arranged by Charles Wood (1866–1926)

1. Hail! Ho - ly Child, Lain in an ox - en man - ger, Of Je - se stem, Yet  
 2. Me-thinks I stand To - day in Da-vid's Ci - ty, And twang the chord For  
 3. What if my flute Break time with An-gel sing - ers, Or not sur - pass The  
 4. Thou wilt ac - cept My song, nor rep - re - hend it: For Thee, a - bove All

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 scorn'd at Beth - le - hem, In win - ter wild, As ne'er - to - fore was stran - ger,  
 Da - vid's Son and Lord: If, harp in hand, I make but tune-less dit - ty,  
 Al - to of yon ass; What if my lute Be pluck'd with art - less fin - gers,  
 earth - ly things, I love: And, tho' in - ept my lay, Thou wilt a - mend it,

Con - strain'd, as I hear tell, Out - side, out - side a churl - ish inn to  
 Yet, Babe, Thou know'st that I As - say, as - say my best, a lul - la -  
 Or if my voice be Base, Now flat, now flat, now sharp, be - reft of  
 And where 'tis out of joint, Canst make, canst make my false true coun - ter -

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 dwell, Out - side, out - side a churl - ish inn to - dwell.  
 by, As - say, as - say my best, a lul - la - by.  
 grace, Now flat, now flat, now sharp, be - reft of grace.  
 point, Canst make, canst make my false true coun - ter - point.

## MAKE WE JOY NOW IN THIS FEST

Old English Carol

Arranged by George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848-1934)

Fine.

Chorus

Verse

D.C.

## PUER NATUS IN BETHLEHEM

(A Babe is Born in Bethlehem)

14th century or earlier

From *Piae Cantiones\**, 1582

1. Pu - er na - tus in Béth - le - hem, Al - le - - - - lú - ia.  
 2. As - súmp - sit car - nem hó - mi - nis, Al - le - - - - lú - ia.  
 3. Per Ga - bri - é - lis nún - ti - um, Al - le - - - - lú - ia.  
 4. De ma - tre na - tus vír - gi - ne, Al - le - - - - lú - ia.

Un - de gau - det Je - rú - sa - lem, Al - le - - - - lú - ia.  
 Ver - bum Pa - tris al - tís - si - mi, Al - le - - - - lú - ia.  
 Vir - go con - cé - pit Fí - li - um, Al - le - - - - lú - ia.  
 Si - ne vi - ri - li sé - mi - ne, Al - le - - - - lú - ia.

5. Si - ne ser - pén - tis vúl - ne - re, Al - le - - - - lú - ia.  
 6. In car - ne no - bis sí - mi - lis, Al - le - - - - lú - ia.  
 7. Tam - quam spon - sus de thá - la - mo, Al - le - - - - lú - ia.  
 8. Hic ja - cet in præ - sé - pi - o, Al - le - - - - lú - ia.

De nos - tro ve - nit sán - gui - ne, Al - le - - - - lú - ia.  
 Pec - cá - to sed dis - sí - mi - lis, Al - le - - - - lú - ia.  
 Pro - cés - sit ma - tris ú - te - ro, Al - le - - - - lú - ia.  
 Qui re - gnat si - ne térm - mi - no. Al - le - - - - lú - ia.

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9. Co - gnó - vit bos et á - si - nus Al - le - - - lú - ia.  
 10. Et án - ge - lus pas - tó - ri - bus, Al - le - - - lú - ia.  
 11. Ma - gi de lon - ge vé - ni - unt, Al - le - - - lú - ia.

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Quod Puer erat Dó-mi-nus. Al-le - - - lú- ia.  
 Re-vé-lat Quis sit Dó-mi-nus, Al-le - - - lú- ia.  
 Au-rum, thus, myr-rham óf - fe - runt. Al-le - - - lú- ia.

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Na - tum sa - lú - tant Hó - mi - nem, Al - le - - - - - lú - ia.  
 Be - ne - di - cá - mus Dó - mi - no, Al - le - - - - - lú - ia.  
 De - o di - cá - mus grá - ti - as, Al - le - - - - - lú - ia.

from *The Cowley Carol Book*, 1919

\*In *Piae Cantiones* only a tenor and bass part were given, and in *The Cowley Carol Book* (and here), the bass line from *Piae Cantiones* is found in the soprano, while the tenor is retained as the tenor.

## THE SON OF GOD IS BORN FOR ALL

(Geborn ist Gottes Sönelein)

Michael Praetorius (1571-1621)

Variation of *Puer nobis nascitur* from *Piae Cantiones*

Arranged by George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848-1934)

1. The Son of God is born for all At Beth - lem in a cat - tle - stall:  
 2. Re - joice to - day for Je - su's sake, With - in your hearts His cra - dle make:

He li - eth in a crib full small, And wrapt in swad - dlingclothes with - al.  
 A shrine, where - in the Babe may take His rest, in slum - ber or a - wake.

17 3. Be -neath Him set His crib, of tree; Let Hope the lit - tle mat - tress be,  
 4. In bod - ies pure and un - de - fil'd Pre - pare a cham - ber for the Child:

His pil - low Faith, full fair to see, With cov - er - let of Cha - ri - ty.  
 To Him give in - cense, myrrh and gold, Nor rai - ment, meat and drink with - hold.

34 5. Draw nigh, the Son of God to kiss, Greet Ma - ry's Child (the Lord He is)  
 6. Come rock His cra - dle cheer - i - ly, As doth His moth - er, so do ye,

Up - on those love - ly lips of His: Je - sus, your hearts' de - sire and bliss.  
Who nurs'd Him sweet - ly on her knee, As told it was by pro - phe - cy.

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7. By, by, lul - lay be - fore Him sing; Go, wind the horn, and pluck the string,  
8. Thus, Babe, I min - i - ster to Thee, E'en as Thine An - gels wait on me:

Till all the place with mu - sic ring; And bid one prayer to Christ the King.  
Thy rud - dy coun - te-nance I see, And ti - ny hands outstretch'd to me.

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9. Sleep, in my soul en - shrin - ed rest: Here find Thy cra - dle neat - ly drest:  
10. Now chant we mer - ri - ly i - o With such as play in ór - ga - no;

For - sake me not, when sore dis - trest, Em - ma - nu - el, my Bro - ther blest.  
And with the sing - ers in cho - ro Be - ne - di - cá - mus Dó - mi - no.

## PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

Words and tune (14th cent.) from *Piae Cantiones*, 1582

Arranged by G.H. Palmer

*To be sung in Unison.*

1. Pu - er no - bis ná - sci - tur Rec - tor An - ge - ló - rum, In hoc mun - do  
 2. In præ - sé - pe pó - si - tum Sub fæ - no a - si - nó - rum Co - gno - vé - runt  
 3. Hunc He - ró - des tí - mu - it Ma - gno cum tre - mó - re, In in - fán - tes  
 4. Qui na - tus ex Ma - rí - a Di - e ho - di - ér - na Duc nos tu - a  
 5. Te Sal - vá - tor A et O Can - té - mus in cho - ro, Can - té - mus in

pá - sci - tur Dó - mi - nus do - mi - nó - rum, Dó - mi - nus do - mi - nó - rum.  
 Dó - mi - num Chris - tum Re - gem cæ - ló - rum, Chris - tum Re - gem cæ - ló - rum.  
 ír - ru - it Hos cæ - dens in fu - ró - re, Hos cæ - dens in fu - ró - re.  
 grá - ti - a Ad gáu - di - a su - pér - na, Ad gáu - di - a su - pér - na.  
 ór - ga - no, Be - ne - di - cá - mus Dó - mi - no, Be - ne - di - cá - mus Dó - mi - no.

(The same, in English)

1. Un - to us is born a Son, King of Quires su - per - nal: See on earth His  
 2. Christ, from heav'n de-scending low, Comes on earth a stran - ger: Ox and ass their  
 3. This did Her - od sore af - fray, And griev - ous - ly be - wil - der; So he gave the  
 4. Of His love and mer - cy mild This the Christ - mas sto - ry: And O that Ma - ry's  
 5. O et A et A et O, Cum cán - ti - bus in cho - ro, Cum cán - ti - cis et

life be - gun, Of lords the Lord e - ter - nal, Of lords the Lord e - ter - nal,  
 Own - er know Be - cra - dled in the man - ger, Be - cra - dled in the man - ger.  
 word to slay, And slew the lit - tle chil - der, And slew the lit - tle chil - der.  
 gen - tle Child Might lead us up to glo - ry, Might lead us up to glo - ry!  
 ór - ga - no, Be - ne - di - cá - mus Dó - mi - no. Be - ne - di - cá - mus Dó - mi - no.

# TO US IS BORN A LITTLE CHILD

(*Parvulus nobis nascitur*)

15th Century

Translated by Wm. John Blew (1808-1894)

*Ach! bleib bei uns, Herr Jesu Christ*

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

CHRISTMAS  
TO US THIS MORN A CHILD IS BORN

George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848-1934)

*Jog on, jog on the footpath way*

Arranged by Charles Wood (1866-1926)

## WHEN ANGELICK HOST ENTUNED

George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848-1934)

*Heinz, wiltu Christa han, 1582*

Arranged by George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848-1934)

## 'TWAS IN A CAVE ON CHRISTMAS MORN

George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848-1934)

*Dich grüssen wir, O Jesulein, 1623*

Arranged by Charles Wood (1866-1926)

1. 'Twas in a cave on Christ - mas morn, No - el, No - el,  
 2. See in a crib the heav'n - ly Child, Lul - lay, Lul - lay,  
 3. Thi - ther-ward kings and herd - men drew To Eph - ra - tha,

Je - sus, the Son of God was born, No - el, No - el, No - el.  
 Cradled by Ma - ry, Maid - en mild, Lul - lay, Lul - lay, Lul - lay.  
 For to a - dore the Babe Je - su, At Beth - lem Eph - ra - tha.

## Additional Verses

15 4. Then was ful - fill'd the thing fore - told, E - ia, E - ia,  
 5. Arm - ies An - gel - ic sang for mirth Cum Ma - ri - a,  
 6. Gló - ri - a ti - bi, Dó - mi - ne, Al - le - lu - ia,

21 In ho - ly writ by bards of old, E - ia, E - ia, E - ia.  
 Mar - vel - lous glad o'er Je - su's birth Ex Ma - tre Ma - ri - a.  
 Qui na - tus es pro hó - mi - ne, Al - le - lu - ia.

CHRISTMAS  
NEW PRINCE, NEW POMPE

Robert Southwell (1560-1593)

Tune of *We are poor frozen-out gardeners*  
Arranged by Charles Wood (1866-1926)

1. Be - houlde a se - ly ten - der Babe In frees - ing win - ter nighte,  
 2. De - spise not Him for ly - ing there, First what He is en - quire:  
 3. This sta - ble is a Prin - ce's courte, The cribbe His chaire of state:  
 4. With joye ap - proch, O Christ-en wighte, Do hom - age to thy Kinge:

In home - ly man - ger trem-bling lies: A - las, a pit - ious sighte:  
 An or - ient perle is of - ten found In depth of dir - ty mire.  
 The beastes are par - cell of His pompe, The wod - den dishe His plate.  
 And high - ly prise this hum - ble pompe, Which He from heav'n doth bring:

The inns are full, no man will yelde This lit - tle Pil - grime bedd:  
 Waye not His cribbe, His wod - den dishe, Nor beastes that by Him feede:  
 The par - sons in that poor at - tire His roy - all live - ries weare:  
 With joye ap - proch, O Christ-en wighte, Do hom - age to thy Kinge:

But forced He is with se - ly beastes In cribbe to shroude His headd.  
 Waye not His Moth - er's poore at - tire, Nor Jo - sephe's sim - ple weede.  
 The Prince Him - self is come from heav'n, This pompe is pris - èd there.  
 And high - ly prise this hum - ble pompe, Which He from heav'n doth bring.

## QUEM PASTORES

Anonymous, 14th Century

14th Century German

Arranged by Rev. J.R. Lunn, B.D.

1. Quem pas - tó - res lau - da - vé - re, Qui - bus án - ge - li di - xé - re, "Ab - sit  
 2. Ad quem ma - gi am - bu - lá - bant, Au - rum, thus, myr - rham por - tábant, Im - mo -  
 3. Ex - ul - té - mus cum Ma - rí - a In cæ - lés - ti hie - rár - chi - a Na - tum  
 4. Chris - to re - gi, De - o na - to, Per Ma - rí - am no - bis da - to, Mé - ri -

10 vo - bis jam ti - mé - re, Na - tus est Rex gló - ri - æ, Rex gló - ri - æ."  
 lá - bant hæc sin - cé - re Le - ó - ni vic - tó - ri - æ, vic - tó - ri - æ.  
 pro - mat vo - ce pi - a Laus, ho - nor et gló - ri - a, et gló - ri - a.  
 to ré - so - net ve - re Dul - ci cum me - ló - di - a, me - ló - di - a.

Music from *The Cowley Carol Book*, 1919, Words from *HymnsAndCarolsOfChristmas.com*

## QUEM PASTORES

Arranged by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

1. Quem pas - tó - res lau - da - vé - re, Qui - bus án - ge - li di - xé - re,  
 2. Ad quem ma - gi am - bu - lá - bant, Au - rum, thus, myr - rham por - tábant,  
 3. Ex - ul - té - mus cum Ma - rí - a In cæ - lés - ti hie - rár - chi - a  
 4. Chris - to re - gi, De - o na - to, Per Ma - rí - am no - bis da - to,

9 "Ab - sit vo - bis jam ti - mé - re, Na - tus est rex gló - ri - æ."  
 Im - mo - lá - bant hæc sin - cé - re Le - ó - ni vic - tó - ri - æ.  
 Na - tum pro - mat vo - ce pi - a Laus, ho - nor et gló - ri - a.  
 Mé - ri - to ré - so - net ve - re Dul - ci cum me - ló - di - a.

from *ChristmasCarolMusic.org*

William Bright (1824-1901)

John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

1. Once a - gain O bless - ed time, thank - ful hearts em - brace thee:  
**mf** 2. Once a - gain the Ho - ly Night Breathes its bless - ing ten - der;  
3. Wel - come Thou to souls a - thirst, Fount of end - less plea - sure;

If we lost thy fes - tal chime, What could e'er re - place thee? What could  
Once a - gain the Man - ger Light Sheds its gen - tle splen - dor, Sheds its  
Gates of Hell may do their worst, While we clasp our Treas - ure, While we

e'er re - place thee? Change will dark - en ma - ny a day, Ma - ny a bond dis -  
gen - tle splen - dor; O could tongues by An - gels taught Speak our ex - ul -  
clasp our Treas - ure: Wel - come, though an age like this Puts Thy Name on

14 sev - er; Ma - ny a joy shall pass a - way, But the "Great Joy" nev - er!  
ta - tion In the Vir - gin's Child that brought All man - kind Sal - va - tion.  
tri - al, And the Truth that makes our bliss Pleads a - gainst de - ni - al!

19 But the "Great Joy" nev - er, But the "Great Joy" nev - er!  
**ff** All man - kind Sal - va - tion, All man - kind Sal - va - tion.  
Pleads a - gainst de - ni - al, Pleads a - gainst de - ni - al!

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4. Yea, if oth - ers stand a - part, We will press the near - er;  
 5. So we yield Thee all we can, Wor - ship, thanks, and bless - - ing;  
 6. Thou that once, 'mid sta - ble cold, Wast in babe - clothes ly - - ing,

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Yea, O best fra - ter - nal Heart, We will hold Thee dear - - er, We will  
 Thee true God, and Thee true Man On our knees con - fess - - ing, On our  
 Thou whose Al - tar - veils en - fold Pow'r and Life un - dy - - ing, Pow'r and

34

*p* hold\_\_\_\_ Thee dear - er;\_\_\_\_ Faith - ful lips shall an - swer thus To all faith-less  
 knees\_\_\_\_ con - fess - - ing;\_\_\_\_ While Thy Birth-day morn we greet With our best de-  
 Life\_\_\_\_ un - dy - - ing,\_\_\_\_ Thou whose Love be - stows a worth On each poor en-

*p*

*pp*

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*cresc.* scorn - ing, "Je - sus Christ is God with us, Born on Christmas morn - ing.  
 vo - tion, Bathe us, O most true and sweet! In Thy Mer - cy's o - cean.  
 deav - or, Have Thou joy of this Thy Birth In our praise for ev - er.

*f*

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*dim.* Born on Christmas morn - ing,\_\_\_\_ Born on Christ - mas morn - - ing"  
*ff* In Thy Mer - cy's o - - cean,\_\_\_\_ In Thy Mer - cy's o - - - cean.  
 In our praise for ev - er,\_\_\_\_ In our praise for ev - - - er.

## A CRADLE-SONG OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN

Translated by Rev. H.R. Bramley (1833-1917) from Latin

Joseph Barnby (1838-1896)

*Allegretto non troppo.*

1. The Virgin stills the crying Of Jesus, sleep-less-ly-ing;  
 2. O Lamb, my love in-vit-ing, O Star, my soul de-light-ing;  
 3. My Child, of Might in-dwell-ing, My Sweet, all sweets ex-cell-ing,

And sing-ing for His plea-sure, Thus calls up-on her Tre-a-sure,  
 O Flow'r of mine own bear-ing, O Jew-el past com-par-ing!  
 Of bliss the Foun-tain flow-ing, The Day-spring ev-er glow-ing,

10

"My Dar-ling, do not weep, My Je-su, sleep!"

15

4. My Joy, my Ex-ul-ta-tion, My spi-rit's Con-so-la-tion;  
 5. Say, wouldst Thou heav'n-ly sweet-ness, Or love of an-sw'ring meet-ness?

My Son, my Spouse, my Bro-ther, O lis-ten to Thy Mo-ther!  
 Or is fit mu-sic want-ing? Ho! An-gels, raise your chant-ing!

## JACOB'S LADDER

Traditional

Traditional

1. As Ja - cob with tra - vel was wea - ry one day, At\_\_\_\_ night on a  
 2. This lad - der is long, it is strong and well - made, Has stood hun - dreds of  
 3. Come let\_\_\_\_ us a - scand: all may climb it who will; For the An - gels of  
 4. And when we ar - rive at the ha - ven of rest We shall hear the glad

stone\_ for a pil - low he lay, He\_\_\_\_ saw in a vi - sion a  
 years\_ and is not yet de - cayed; Ma - ny mil - lions have climbed it and  
 Ja - cob are guard - ing it still: And re - mem - ber each step, that by  
 words, "Come up hi - ther, ye blest, Here are re - gions of light, here are

lad - der so high, That its foot was on earth, and its top in the sky.  
 reached Si - on's hill, And\_\_\_\_ thou - sands by faith are\_\_\_\_ climb - ing it still.  
 faith we pass o'er, Some Pro - phet or Mar - tyr hath trod it be - fore.  
 man - sions of bliss." O,\_\_\_\_ who would not climb such a lad - der as this?

Hal - le - lu - jah to Je - sus, who died on the Tree, And hath rais'd up a

lad - der of mer - cy for me, And hath rais'd up a lad - der of mer - cy for me.

## THE STORY OF THE SHEPHERD

Gongora, a Spanish Carol

Translated by Archdeacon Churton

Joseph Barnby (1838-1896)

1. It was the ve - ry noon of night: the stars a - bove the fold, More  
 2. O ne'er could night-in - gale at dawn sa - lute the ris - ing day With  
 3. I roused me at the pier - cing strain, but shrunk as from the ray Of

sure than clock or chiming bell, the hour of midnight told: When from the heav'n's there  
 sweet-ness like that bird of song in his im - mor-tal lay: O ne'er were wood - notes  
 sum-mer lightning; all a-round so bright the splen-dor lay. For oh, it mas - tered

came a voice, and forms were seen to shine, Still bright'ning as the mu - sic rose with  
 heard at eve by banks with pop-lar shade So thrill - ing as the con-cert sweet by  
 sight and sense, to see that glo - ry shine, To hear that minstrel in the clouds, who

light and love di - vine. With love di - vine the song be - gan; there shone a light se -  
 heav'n-ly harp-ings made; For love di - vine was in each chord, and fill'd each pause be -  
 sang of Love Di - vine, To see that form with bird-like wings, of more than mor - tal

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rene:  
 tween:  
 mien:

O, who hath heard what I have heard, or seen what I have seen?

O, who hath heard what I have heard, or seen what I have seen?

4. When once the rapturous trance was past, that so my sense could bind,  
 5. I hast-en'd to a low-roofed shed, for so the An-gel bade;

I left my sheep to Him whose care breathed in the west-ern wind;  
 And bowed be-fore the low-ly rack where Love Di-vine was laid:

I left them, for in stead of snow, I trod on blade and flow'r,  
 A new-born Babe, like ten-der Lamb, with Li-on's strength there smiled;

And ice dis-solved in star-ry rays at morning's gra-cious hour, Re-  
 For Li-on's strength, im-mor-tal might, was in that new-born Child; That

veal-ing where on earth the steps of Love Di-vine had been;  
 Love Di-vine in child-like form had God for-ev-er been:

D.S. al Fine

## SWEET WAS THE SONG THE VIRGIN SUNG

From William Ballet's *Lute Book*, c. 1600

Arranged by Charles Wood (1866-1926)

*At a moderate pace.**cres.*

mp Sweet was the song the Vir-gin sung, When she, when she to Bethlem Ju - da came, And

*a tempo*

6 was de - liv-er'd of a Son, pp That bless-ed Je-sus hath to name. mp Lul-la, lul-la,

12 lu - la, lul-la-by, Lu - la, lu - la, lu - la, lul-la-by, sweet Babe, sung she, mf My

17 Son, and eke a Sav - ior born, Who hast vouch - saf - ed from on high To

*dim.*

22 f To vis - it us that were for - lorn; La-lu - la, la - lu - la, la - lu - la -  
vis - it us To vis - it us

27

And rock'd Him sweet - ly on her knee.  
*dim. e rall.*

by, **p** sweet babe, sang she, And rock'd Him sweet - ly on her knee.

from *The Cowley Carol Book, 1919*

## STILL, STILL, STILL

Traditional Austrian

Salzburg Melody, c. 1819

1. Still, still, still, Weil's Kind - lein schlaf - en will.  
 2. Schlaf, schlaf, schlaf, Mein lieb - es Kind - lein schlaf!  
 3. Groß, groß, groß Die Lieb' ist ü - ber - groß!  
 4. Wir, wir, wir, Wir ruf - en all zu dir:

Die Eng - lein tun schön ju - bi - lier - en, Bei dem Krip - plein  
 Ma - ri - a tut es nie - der - sing - en Ihr - e keu - sche  
 Gott hat den Him - mels - thron ver - las - sen Und muss reis - en  
 Tu uns des Him - mels Reich auf - schließ - en, Wenn wir ein - mal

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mu - si - zier - en. Still, still, still, Weil's Kind - lein schlaf - en will.  
 Brust dar - bring - en. Schlaf, schlaf, schlaf, Mein lieb - es Kind - lein schlaf!  
 auf der Straß - en. Groß, groß, groß Die Lieb' ist ü - ber - groß.  
 ster - ben müss - en. Wir, wir, wir, Wir ruf - en all zu dir.

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from *Salzburgische Volks-Lieder, 1865*

## KLING GLÖCKCHEN

Karl Enslin (1819-1875)

Traditional German

2

Kling, Glöck-chen kling-e-ling-e-ling! Kling, Glöck-chen kling!

5

1. Laßt mich ein, ihr Kind - er! Ist so kalt der Win - ter!  
 2. Mäd - chen, hört, und Büb - chen, Macht mir auf das Stüb - chen!  
 3. Hell er - glühn die Ker - zen, Öff - net mir die Her - zen,

9

Öff - net mir die Tü - ren! Laßt mich nicht er - frie - ren!  
 Bring euch vie - le Ga - ben, Sollt euch dran er - la - ben!  
 Will drin woh - nen fröh - lich, From - mes Kind, wie se - lig!

13

Kling, Glöck-chen kling-e-ling-e-ling! Kling, Glöck-chen kling!

# INFANT HOLY, INFANT LOWLY

(W Żłobie Leży)

Traditional Polish Carol

Translated by Edith M. G. Reed (1885-1933)

Traditional Polish Carol

Arranged by Edith M. G. Reed (1885-1933)

1. In - fant ho - ly, in - fant low - ly For His bed a cat - tle stall;  
 2. Flocks were sleep - ing, shepherds keep - ing Vi - gil till the morning new

Ox - en low - ing, lit - tle know - ing, Christ the Babe, is Lord of all.  
 Saw the glo - ry, heard the sto - ry, Tid - ings of a gos - pel true.

10 Swift are wing - ing an - gels sing - ing, No - ëls ring - ing,  
 Thus re - joic - ing, free from sor - row, Prais - es voic - ing

tid - ings bring - ing: Christ the Babe is Lord of all.  
 greet the mor - row: Christ the Babe was born for all.

## IL EST NÉ LE DIVIN ENFANT

Anonymous

17th century French melody

Arranged by Bernard Dewagtere

17th century French melody  
Arranged by Bernard Dewagtere

Il est né le di - vin En - fant, Jou - ez hautbois, ré-son-nez mu - set - tes!

2 measures of music in common time, key of C major. Treble and bass staves. Treble staff has eighth-note patterns. Bass staff has eighth-note patterns.

Il est né le di - vin En - fant. Chan-tons tous son a - vè - ne - ment.

2 measures of music in common time, key of C major. Treble and bass staves. Treble staff has eighth-note patterns. Bass staff has eighth-note patterns.

1. Depuis plus de qua - tre mille ans, Nous le pro - mettaient les pro - phètes, Depuis plus de qua -  
 2. Une é - tabl' est son lo - ge - ment, Un peu de paille est sa cou - chet - te, Une é - tabl' est son  
 3. O Jé - sus, ô roi tout puis - sant, Tout pe - tit en - fant que vous ê - tes, O Jé - sus, ô roi

2 measures of music in common time, key of C major. Treble and bass staves. Treble staff has eighth-note patterns. Bass staff has eighth-note patterns.

tre mille ans, Nous at - ten - diions cet heureux temps.  
 lo - ge - ment, pour un Dieu, quel - (e) dé - nue - ment! Chantons tous son a - vè - ne - ment.  
 tout puis - sant, Ré - gnez sur nous en - tiè - re - ment.

2 measures of music in common time, key of C major. Treble and bass staves. Treble staff has eighth-note patterns. Bass staff has eighth-note patterns.

## NOËL NOUVELET

15th Century French Carol from *Le Grande Bible des Noëls*

15th Century French Carol

Translated by P.S.B.

1. "No - ël nou - ve - let," come let us sing "no - ël;"  
 2. Prais - es to our Lord, our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ,  
 No - ël nou - ve - let, No - ël chan - tons i - ci,

Let us faith - ful folk, cry out our thanks to God!  
 Come to earth as man, as man to live and die,  
 Dé - vo - tes gens, cri - ons à Dieu mer - ci!

Sing we "no - ël," un - to the ti - ny King,  
 Chan - tons No - ël pour le Roi nou - ve - let!

"No - ël nou - ve - let," come let us sing "no - ël."  
 No - ël nou - ve - let, No - ël chan - tons i - ci!

## FUM, FUM, FUM

Catalonian

Arranged by Abel Di Marco, Pbro.

## HACIA BELÉN VA UNA BURRA

## RIU RIU CHIU

Mateo Flecha el Viejo (1481-1553)

2

Ri-u, ri-u Chi-u, la guarda ri-be-ra. Dios guardó el lo-bo de nuestra cor-

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de-ra. Dios guar-dó el lo-bo de nues-tra cor-de-ra.

8

Ri-u, ri-u Chi-u, la guar-da ri-be-ra. Dios guar-dó el lobo, el  
Dios guardó el lo-bo, el

14

Dios guardó el  
Dios guardó el lobo, el  
Dios guardó el lo-bo, el  
Dios guardó el lobo de nuestra cor-dera. Fine

20

1. El lo-bo ra-bio-so la qui-so morder, Mas Dios po-de-ro-so la su-po de-fen-der,

24

Quíso-le ha-zer que no pudies-se pe-car: Ni aúñ o-ri-gi-nal es-ta Virgen no tu-vie-ra. D.S.

28

2. Es-te qu'es na-sci-do es el gran monar-cha, Christo pa-tri-ar-cha de car-ne ves-ti-do.

32

D.S.

Hanos re-di-mi - do con se ha-zer chiqui - to, Aunqu'era in-fi - ni - to fi - ni-to ses hi-zie - ra.

36

3. Muchas pro-fe-cí - as lo han pro-fe-ti-za - do, Y aúñ en nuestros dí - as, lo hemos al-cança - do;

40

D.S.

A Dios hu-ma-na - do vemos en el sue - lo, Y al hombre en el cie - lo por-que'l le quisie - ra.

44

4. Yo vi mil gar-ço - nes que an-da-van cantan - do, Por a-quí vo-lan - do ha - zien - do mil so - nes,

48

D.S.

Diziendo a ga-sco - nes: Gloria sea en el cie - lo Y paz en el sue - lo, pues Je-sús nascie - ra.

52

5. Es-te viene a dar a los muertos vi - da, Y viene a re-pa-rar de to-dos la ca - y - da.

56

D.S.

Es la luz del dí - a a - ques - te moçue - lo; Es - t'es el cor-de - ro que San Juan di-xe - ra.

60

6. Mira bien que os cuadre que ansi-na lo oye - ra: Que Dios no pudie - ra ha - zer-la más que Ma-dre;

64

D.S.

El que - ra su Pa - dre, hoy d'e-lla nas-ció Y el que la cri - ó, su Hi - jo se di-xe - ra.

68

7. Pues que ya te-ne - mos lo que de-se - a - mos, Todos juntos va - mos, pre - sen - tes lle - ve - mos;

72

D.S.

To-dos le da-re - mos nuestra vo-lun-tad, Pues a se i-gual-ar con el hom - bre vi-nie - ra.

CHRISTMAS  
**IN THE BLEAK MIDWINTER**

Christina Rosetti (1830-1894)

Harold Darke (1888-1976)

## **Moderato e tranquillo**

mp

*Soprano Solo 1.* In the bleak mid - win - ter, fros - ty wind made moan, —  
*Tenor Solo 3.* Enough for Him, whom Cher - ubim, Wor - ship night and day, A

Musical score for piano, measures 11-12. The score consists of two staves: treble and bass. The treble staff starts with a forte dynamic (f) and a common time signature (C). The bass staff starts with a piano dynamic (p) and a common time signature (C). The music features eighth-note chords and sustained notes, with a fermata over the bass line in measure 12.

13

Snow on snow, In the bleak mid - win - ter Long a - go.  
 Fall down be - fore, The ox and ass and camel, Which a - dore.

20 **f**

2. Our God, Heav'n can-not hold Him, Nor\_earth sus - tain;\_ Heav'n and earth shall

26 *f*

flee a - way, When He comes to reign. — In the bleak mid - win - ter, A stable place suf-

32 D.C.

ficed the Lord God Al - might - y — Je - - - sus Christ.

38 *mp semplice*

4. What can I give Him, Poor as I am? — If I were a shep - herd, I would bring a

45 *mf*

lamb; — If I were a wise man, I would do my part, Yet what I can, I give Him,

52 *f* *pp* *accomp.*

Give my heart, give my heart.

*pp* *accomp.*

CHRISTMAS  
IN THE BLEAK MIDWINTER

Christina Rosetti (1830-1894)

Gustav Holst (1874-1934)

1. In the bleak mid - win - ter, fros - ty wind made moan,  
 2. Our God, Heav'n can - not hold\_\_ Him Nor\_\_ earth sus - tain;  
 3. E - nough for Him, whom Cher - u - bim Wor - ship night and day,  
 4. An - gels and arch - an - gels May have gath - ered there  
 5. What\_\_ can I give\_\_ Him, Poor\_\_ as I am?

Earth stood hard as i - ron, wa - ter like a stone,  
 Heav'n and earth shall flee a-way When He comes to reign;  
 A breast - ful of milk, And a man - ger - ful of hay:  
 Cher - u - bim and Ser - aaphim Throng - ed the air  
 If I were a shep - herd I would bring a lamb;

Snow had fal - len, snow on snow, snow on snow,  
 In the bleak mid - win - ter a sta - ble place suf - ficed  
 E - nough for Him, whom an - gels Fall down be - fore,  
 But on - ly His mo - ther In her maid - en bliss  
 If I were a wise man I would do my part;

The In the bleak mid - win - ter, Long a - go.  
 Lord God Al - migh - ty, Je - sus Christ.  
 The ox and ass and ca - mel which a - dore.  
 Wor - shipped the Be - lov - ed with a - kiss.  
 Yet what I can, I give Him, Give my heart.

## LÆTENTUR CÆLI

Rev. Hubert Gruender, S.J.

1

Læ-téntur Cæ - li\_\_\_\_\_ et ex-súl - tet ter - ra, et ex-súl - tet ter - ra  
Læ-tén - tur Cæ - li et ex-súl - tet ter - ra, et exsúl-tet ter - ra an-

7

an - te fá - ci-em Dó - mi - ni. Læ - tén - tur\_ cæ - li  
- te fá - ciem Dó - mi - ni. Læ-tén-tur cæ - li et ex-

13

Læ - tén - tur\_ cæ - li. An - te  
súl - tet ter - ra. Læ-tén-tur cæ - li et ex-súl - tet ter - ra. An - te

20

fá - ciem Dó - mi - ni. Quón - i - am ve - nit, quón -  
fá - ciem Dó - mi - ni. Quón - i - am ve - nit, quón - i - am ve - nit, quón -

28

- i - am ve - nit, quón - i - am ve - nit. ve - nit, ve - nit!  
 - i - am ve - nit, quóni - am ve - nit. ve - nit, ve - nit!

## SHILOH

from *The Suffolk Harmony* (1786)

William Billings (1746–1800)

1st Shepherd 1. Me - thinks I see an heav'n-ly Host of An-gels on the Wing; Me -  
 Narrator 5. Then learn from hence, ye ru - ral Swains, the meekness of your God, Who

5  
 thinks I hear their cheer - ful notes, so mer - ri - ly they sing, so  
 left the bound - less Realms of Joy, to ran - som you with blood, to

9  
 mer - ri - ly they sing.  
 ran - som you with blood. 1st Angel 2. Let all your Fears be  
 1st Angel 3. Lay down your crooks, and  
 1st Angel 4. Seek not in Courts or  
 Glad

13  
 ban - ish'd hence. Glad tid - ings I pro - claim. For there's a Sav - ior  
 quit your Flocks, to Beth - le-hem re - pair; And let your wan - d'ring  
 Pal - a - ces; Nor Roy - al cur - tains draw; But search the Sta - ble,  
 Glad to

17  
 born to - day, and Je - sus is His name, and Je - sus is His name.  
 steps be squared by yon - der shin - ing Star, by yon - der shin - ing Star.  
 see your God ex - tend - ed on the Straw, ex - tend - ed on the Straw.

22

Narrator 6. The mas-ter of the inn re-fus'd a more com-mo-dious place; Un-  
 Narrator 9. Then sud-den-ly a Heav'n-ly Host a-round the Shep-herds throng. Ex-  
 Grand Chorus 10. To God the Fa-ther, Christ the Son, and Ho-ly Ghost ac-cord; The

27

gen'-rous Soul of sav-age mold, and des-ti-tute of Grace, and ult-ing in the three-fold God, and thus ad-dress their song, and first and last, the last and first, E-ter-nal praise af-ford, E-

31

des-ti-tute of Grace. thus ad-dress their song. ter-nal praise af-ford. 1st Angel 7. Ex-ult ye Ox-en, 1st Angel 8. The Roy-al guest you

35

ye is low for joy, ye Ten-ants of the Stall, Pay your o-bei-sance; en-ter-tain is not of com-mon Birth, but sec-ond to the ye is

39

on your knees U-nan-i-mous-ly fall, U-nan-i-mous-ly fall. Great I Am; the God of heav'n and earth, the God of heav'n and earth.

CHRISTMAS  
MYN LYKING

15th Century

Richard R. Terry (1865-1938)

Allegro moderato ( $\text{d} = 112$ )

*mf*

1. I

This section of the musical score begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a tempo of Allegro moderato (d = 112). The vocal line starts with a short rest followed by a single note. The piano accompaniment consists of a steady bass line and a treble line that provides harmonic support. The vocal line continues with a series of eighth and sixteenth notes, with a dynamic of *mf* (mezzo-forte) indicated. The section concludes with a melodic line that ends with a note on the first beat of the next measure, followed by a fermata over the piano's bass line.

5

saw a fair May-den syttin and sing. She lul - lèd a lyt-tel Childe, a sweeté Lording.

*mf*

This section continues the musical setting. The vocal line begins with a series of eighth and sixteenth notes, followed by a melodic line that ends with a note on the first beat of the next measure, followed by a fermata over the piano's bass line. The piano accompaniment consists of a steady bass line and a treble line that provides harmonic support. The vocal line continues with a series of eighth and sixteenth notes, with a dynamic of *mf* (mezzo-forte) indicated. The section concludes with a melodic line that ends with a note on the first beat of the next measure, followed by a fermata over the piano's bass line.

*a tempo*

Lullay myn lyk-ing, my dere sonne, my sweet - ing. Lullay my dere herte, myn own dere der-ling.

*cresc. e rall.* *dim. rall.*

Lul-la - lay. Lul - - - la-lay. Lullay my dere herte, myn own dere der-ling.

*pp*

Lulla - lay. Lul - la - lay. Lul - lay, myn own dere der-ling.

*pp a tempo*

*rall.*

This section continues the musical setting. The vocal line begins with a series of eighth and sixteenth notes, followed by a melodic line that ends with a note on the first beat of the next measure, followed by a fermata over the piano's bass line. The piano accompaniment consists of a steady bass line and a treble line that provides harmonic support. The vocal line continues with a series of eighth and sixteenth notes, with a dynamic of *pp* (pianissimo) indicated. The section concludes with a melodic line that ends with a note on the first beat of the next measure, followed by a fermata over the piano's bass line.

13

2. That

*Fine.* ***mf***

17

same Lord is He that made al-lé thing, Of al-lé lordis He is Lord, of al-lé kynges Kyng.

*cresc.* *rall.* **D.S. al Fine**

21

3. There was mickle melody at that Chyldé's birth. All that were in heav'nly bliss, they made mickle mirth.

*cresc. molto rall.* **D.S. al Fine**

25

4. Angels bright sang their song to that Chyld; Blyss-id be Thou, and so be She, so meek and so mild.

*cresc. molto rit.* **D.S. al Fine**

# CHRISTMAS IN TERRA PAX

Mrs. Alderson

John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

9 *f*

And we would list the tale \_\_\_\_\_ That chimes its Christ - mas news for us,  
 Of An - thems at Thy Birth; \_\_\_\_\_ When An - gel choirs hymned forth to us  
 And earth's sad sons and daugh - ters With glad hearts hail Thy word to us,

*f*

23 *mf* In ter - ra Pax ho-mí - ni - bus, \_\_\_\_\_ Pax \_\_\_\_\_

ho-mí - ni - bus, \_\_\_\_\_ Pax, \_\_\_\_\_ Pax \_\_\_\_\_ In ter - ra Pax, \_\_\_\_\_ Pax, \_\_\_\_\_ Pax."

Pax ho-mí - ni - bus, \_\_\_\_\_ ho-mí - ni - bus \_\_\_\_\_ In ter - ra Pax, \_\_\_\_\_ Pax, \_\_\_\_\_ Pax."

ho-mí - ni - bus, In ter - ra Pax. \_\_\_\_\_

31

4. O hear Thy Church, with one accord, Her long-lost Peace im - plor - ing: Be it accord - ing

36

to Thy word: Thy Reign of Peace bring in, dear Lord; Heav'n's Peace to earth re -

*dim.* >

*f*

*f*

41

*pp*

sto - ring. And Peace E - ter - nal, Je - su, grant, we pray. \_\_\_\_\_

*rall.*

*pp*

47 **f**

"In Cæ - lo Pax, — Et in Ex - cé - sis,

"In Cæ - lo Pax, — Et in Ex - cé - sis,

"In Cæ - lo Pax, — "In Cæ - lo Pax, — Et in Ex - cé - sis,

54 **ff**

Gló - ri - a, Et in Ex - cé - sis Gló - ri - a, Et in Ex -

Gló - ri - a, Gló - ri - a, In Cæ - lo Pax, Et in Ex -

sis, Et in Ex - cé - sis, Gló - ri - a, in Ex - cé - sis, Et in Ex -

60

cél - sis, Gló - ri - a. Et in Ex - cé - sis, Gló - ri -

cél - sis, Gló - ri - a. Et in Ex - cé - sis, in Ex - cé - sis, Gló - ri -

cél - sis, — In cæ - lo, Pax, Et in Ex - cé - sis, Gló - ri -

66

Et in Ex - cé - sis, — sis, Gló - ri - a."

a, Et in Ex - cé - sis, — sis, Gló - ri - a."

a, Et in Ex - cé - sis, — sis, Gló - ri - a."

a, Et in Ex - cé - sis, — sis, Gló - ri - a."

## MILFORD

Jeremiah Clarke (1674-1707)

Joseph Stephenson (1728-1810)

If an-gels sung a Savior's birth, If an-gels sung a  
 If an-gels sung a Sav - ior's, If an-gels sung a Sav - ior's,  
 If an-gels sung a Sav - ior's birth, If an-gels sung a Sav - ior's,  
 If an-gels sung a Sav - ior's birth, If an-gels sung a Sav - ior's,  
 If an-gels sung a Sav - ior's birth, If an-gels sung a Sav - ior's,

Say - ior's birth, On that au - spi - cious morn,  
 Sav - ior's birth, On that au - spi - cious morn, We  
 Sav - ior's birth, On that au - spi-cious morn, We well may im - i -  
 Sav - ior's birth, On that au - spi-cious morn, We well may im - i - tate their mirth, We

We well may im - i - tate their mirth, Now He a-gain is  
 well may im - i - tate their mirth, Now He a-gain is born,  
 tate their mirth, We well may im - i - tate their mirth,  
 well may im - i - tate their mirth, Now

born, Now He a - gain is born, Now He a - gain is 1 born. 2 born.  
 Now He a - gain, Now He a - gain is born. born.  
 Now He a - gain is born, Now He a - gain is born.  
 He a - gain is born, Now He a - gain is born. born.

# A CHRISTMAS ROUND

Denis Mason

# TOLLITE HOSTIAS

Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921)

**Maestoso**

**f** Tól - li - te hós - ti - as. et ad - o - rá - te Dó - minum in á - tri - o sancto e - jus.

9 **p** Læ-téntur cæ - li, et ex - úl-tet ter - ra a fá-ci-e Dómi - ni, quóni-am ve - nit. Al - le-lú - ia.  
 Læ-téntur cæ - li, et ex - úl-tet ter - ra quóni - am ve - nit. Al - le-lú - ia. Al - le-lú - ia.

10 **p**



Gau - dé - te, gaudé-te, Christus est na - tus ex Ma - ri - a Vír - gi-ne, Gaudé - te!

1. Tempus ad-est grá-ti - æ hoc quod op - ta-bámus, Cár-mi-na la - tí - ti - æ de - vó - te red-dámus.
2. De-us homo factus est na - tú - ra mi-rán-te, Mundus re - no - vá-tus est a Christo regnánte.
3. E - ze-chielis por - ta clau - sa pertráns-i-tur, Un - de lux est or - ta, sa - lus in - ve - ní-tur.
4. Er - go nostra cónti - o psal - lat jam in lus-tro, Be - ne - dí - cat Dómi - no, sa - lus Re - gi nostro.

Chorus and text of verses from *Piae Cantiones*, 1582, via [imslp.org](http://imslp.org), Melody of verses from [www.cpdl.org](http://www.cpdl.org)

## GLORIOUS, BEAUTEOUS, GOLDEN-BRIGHT

Anna M. E. Nichols

Maria Tiddeman (1837-1915)

1. Glo - rious, beau - teous, gol - den - bright, Shed - ding soft - est pur - est  
2. But the stars' sweet gold - en gleam Fad - ed quick - ly as a

light, Shone the stars that Christ - mas night, When the  
dream 'Mid the won - drous glo - ry - stream, That the il -

Jew - ish shep - herds kept, Watch be - side their flocks that slept.  
lum - ined all the earth, When Christ's An - gels sang His birth.

11

3. Soft and pure and ho - ly glo - ry, Kings and seers and pro - phets  
 4. But that light no more a - vail - ed, All its splen - dor straight-way  
 5. Now no more on Christ - mas night, Is the sky with An - gels

15

hoa - ry, Shed through-out the sa - cred sto - ry: While the  
 pal - ed In His light whom An - gels hail - ed; E - ven  
 bright, But for ev - er shines the Light; E - ven

18

priests, like shep - herds true, Watch'd be - side God's cho - sen few.  
 as the stars of old, 'Mid the bright - ness lost their gold.  
 He Whose birth they told To the shep - herds by the fold.

22

6. Since that Light then dark - ens nev - er, Let us all, with glad en - dea - vor, Sing the

27

rall. **ff** > **pp** rall.  
 song that e-choes ev - er: Glo - ry in the highest Heaven! Peace on earth to us for - giv - en.  
**ff** **pp**

## ALMA REDEMPTORIS MATER

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c. 1525-1594)

Red-emp - tó-ris Ma - - - ter, quæ pér - vi - a cæ - - li porta

Red-emp - tó-ris Ma - - - ter, quæ pér - vi - a cæ - - li porta ma-

Al - ma Red-emp - tó-ris Ma - - ter, quæ pér - vi - a cæ - - li porta

Red-emp - tó-ris Ma - - ter, quæ pér - vi - a cæ - - li porta



ma - nes, Et stella ma - ris, suc-cúr-re ca-dén - ti, súr - ge-re qui cu - - rat pó - pu - nes, Et stella ma - ris, suc-cúr-re ca-dén - ti, súr - ge-re qui cu - - rat pó - pu - nes, Et stella ma - ris, suc-cúr-re ca - dén - ti, súr - ge-re qui cu - - rat pó - pu - nes, Et stella ma - ris, suc-cúr-re ca-dén - ti, súr-gere qui cu - - rat pó - pu-lo:\_\_\_



lo: Tu quæ genu-ís - ti, na-tú - ra mirán - te, tu - um sanc-tum Ge - ni - tó-rem: Vir -

lo: Tu quæ genu-ís - ti, na-tú - ra mirán - te, tu - um sanc-tum Ge - ni - tó-rem: Vir -

lo: Tu quæ genu-ís - ti, na-tú - ra mirán - te, tu - um sanc-tum Ge - ni - tó-rem:

Tu quæ genu-ís - ti, na-tú - ra mirán - te, tu - um sanc-tum Ge - ni - tó-rem:

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- go pri - us ac post - é - rius, ac posté - ri - us, Gabri-é - lis ab o -  
- go pri - us ac post-é - ri - us, Gabri-é - lis ab o -  
8 Vir - go pri - us ac post-é - ri - us, Gabri-é - lis ab  
Vir - go pri - us ac post - é - rius, Gabri-é - lis ab

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- re su-mens il - lud A - ve, pec - ca - tórum  
- re su-mens il - lud A - ve, pec - ca - tó - rum mi -  
8 o - re su-mens il - lud A - ve, pec - ca - tó - rum mi - se - ré -  
o - re su-mens il - lud A - ve, pec - ca - tó - rum mi - se - ré -

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mi - se - ré - re, pec - ca - tórum mi - se - ré - re.  
- se - ré - re, pec - ca - tó - rum mi - se - ré - re.  
8 - re, pec - ca - tó - rum mi - se - ré - re.  
- re, pec - ca - tó - rum mi - se - ré - re.

## O MAGNUM MYSTERIUM

Tomás Luis de Victoria (c. 1548–1611)

1

O ma - gnum mysté-ri-um et admi-rá - bi - le sa-cra-mén -

O ma - gnum mys - té-ri-um et admi - rá - bile sa - cra - mén -

O

9

- tum. O ma - gnum mys - té - ri-um et ad - mi -

- tum. O ma - gnum mys-té - ri-um et ad - mi - rá - bi - le sa - cra-mén -

ma - gnum mys - té - ri-um et ad - mi - rá - bi - le sa - cra-mén -

O ma - gnum mys-té - ri - um et ad - mi - rá - bi - le sa - cra -

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rá - bi - le, et ad - mi - rá - bi - le sa - cra-mén - tum, ut a - ni - má - li - a vi -

- tum, et ad - mi - rá - bi - le sa - cra-mén - tum, ut a - ni - má - li - a vi -

- tum, et ad - mi - rá - bi - le sa - cra - mén - tum, ut a - ni - má - li - a, ut a - ni - má - li - a vi -

mén - tum, et ad - mi - rá - bi - le sa - cra - mén - tum, ut a - ni - má - li - a vi -

23

dé-rent Dó-mi-num na - tum, vi-dé-rent Dó-minum na - - tum

dé-rent Dó-mi-num na - tum, vi-dé-rent Dó-minum na - - tum ja - cén -

dé-rent Dó-mi-num na - tum, vi-dé-rent Dó-minum na - tum ja-cén -

dé-rent Dó-mi - num na - tum, ja - cén - tem in

29

ja - cén - tem in præ - sé - pi - o,

tem, ja - cén - tem in præ - sé - pi -

tem in præ - sé - pi - o, ja - cén - tem in

præ - sé - pi - o, ja - cén - tem in præ -

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ja - cén - tem in præ - sé - pi - o.

o, ja - cén - tem in præ - sé - pi - o.

præ-sé - - pi - o, in præ - sé - pi - o.

sé - - pi - o, in præ - sé - - pi - o.

## CHRISTMAS

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O be - á - ta vir - - - go cu - jus ví - scera me - ru - é -

O be - á - ta vir - - - go cu - jus ví - sce - ra me - ru - é -

O be - á - ta vir - - - go cu - jus ví - sce - ra me - - ru - é -

O be - á - ta vir - - - go cu - jus ví - sce - ra me - - ru - é -

48

runt portá-re Dó - - minum Je - sum Chris - - tum. Al-le-lú - ja, Al -

runt portá-re Dó - - - minum Je - - - sum Chris - - tum. Al-le-lú - ja, Al -

runt portá-re Dó - mi - num Je - - sum Chris - - tum. Al-le-lú - ja, Al -

runt Je - - sum Chris - - tum.

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Al - le - lú - - - ja.  
le - lú - - - ja, Al - le - lú - - - ja.  
- lú - - - ja, Al - le - lú - - - ja.  
- - lú - - - ja, Al - le - - lú - - - ja.

## PERSONENT HODIE

from *Piae Cantiones*, 1582from *Piae Cantiones*, 1582

Arranged by George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848–1934)

1. Pér - so-nent hó - di - e vo - ces pu - é - ru - læ, lau-dán-tes ju - cún-de  
2. In mun-do ná - sci - tur, pan-nis in - vól - vi - tur, præ - sé - pi pó - ni - tur  
3. Ma - gi - tres ve - né - runt, pár - vu - lum in - quí - runt, Béth - le - hem ád - e - unt,  
4. Om - nes cle - rí - cu - li, pár - i - ter pú - e - ri, can - tent ut án - ge - li:

7

Qui no - bis est na - tus, sum - mo De - o da - tus, et de vir-, vir-, vir-,  
stá - bu - lo bru - tó - rum, rec - tor su - per - nó - rum, pér - di - dit, -dit, -dit,  
stél - lu - lam se - quén - do, ip - sum ad - o - rán - do, au - rum thus, thus, thus,  
Ad - ve - nís - ti mun - do, lau - des Ti - bi fun - do. Id - e - o, -o, -o,

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et de vir-, vir-, vir-, et de vir - gí - ne - o ven - tre pro - cre - á - tus.  
pér - di - dit, -dit, -dit, pér - di - dit spó - li - a princeps in - fer - nó - rum.  
au - rum thus, thus, thus, au - rum thus, et myrrham E - i of - fe - rén - do.  
íd - e - o, -o, -o, íd - e - o, gló - ri - a in ex - cé - sis De - o.

from *The Cowley Carol Book*, 1919

CHRISTMAS  
PERSONENT HODIEWords from *Piae Cantiones*, 1582

Arranged by Gustav Holst (1874-1934)

1. Pér - so-nent hó-di - e vo-ces pu - é-ru - læ, lau-dán-tes  
 2. In mun-do ná-sci-tur, pannis in - vól-vi - tur, præ-sé - pi  
 3. Ma - gi tres ve-nérunt, pár-vu-lum in-quírunt, Béth-le-hem  
 4. Om-nes cle - rí-cu - li, pár-i - ter pú-e - ri, cantent ut

8 jucunde Qui nobis est na - tus, summo De-o da - tus, et de vir-, vir-, vir-,  
 pó-ni-tur stá - bu-lo bru - tó - rum, rec-tor super - nó - rum, pér-di - dit, -dit, -dit,  
 ád - e-unt, stél - lulam se-quén - do, ip-sum ad-o - rán - do, aurum thus, thus, thus,  
 án-ge - li: Ad - ve-nís - ti mun - do, lau-des Ti-bi fun - do. Id - e - o, -o, -o,

15 et de vir-, vir-, vir-, et de vir - gí - ne - o ven - tre pro - cre - á - tus.  
 pér-di - dit, -dit, -dit, pér-di - dit spó - li - a princeps in - fer - nó - rum.  
 au rum thus, thus, thus, au rum thus, et myrrham E - i of - fe - rén - do.  
 íd - e - o, -o, -o, íd - e - o, gló - ri - a in ex - cél-sis De - o.

## RING OUT, WILD BELLS

Alfred Lord Tennyson (1809-1892)

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

## RING OUT, WILD BELLS

Alfred Lord Tennyson (1809–1892)

Adapted from *Kyrie*, 12th Mass

W.A. Mozart (1756–1791)

1. Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,  
 2. Ring out the old, ring in the new,  
 3. Ring out the grief that saps the mind,  
 4. Ring out a slow - ly dying cause,

The fly - ing cloud, the frost - y light:  
 Ring, hap - py bells a - cross the snow:  
 For those that here we see no more:  
 And an - cient forms of par - ty strife:

The year is dy - ing in the night;  
 The year is go - ing, let him go;  
 Ring out the feud of rich and poor,  
 Ring in the no - bler modes of life,

Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.  
 Ring out the false, ring in the true.  
 Ring in re - dress to all man - kind.  
 With sweet - er man - ners, pu - rer laws.

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5. Ring out the want, the care, the sin,  
 6. Ring out false pride in place and blood,  
 7. Ring out old shapes of foul dis-ease:  
 8. Ring in the valiant man and free,

21

The faith - less cold - ness of the times:  
 The civ - ic slan - der and the spite:  
 Ring out the nar - wing lust of the gold:  
 The lar - ger heart, the kind - lier hand;

25

Ring out, ring out\_\_\_\_ my mourn - ful rhymes,  
 Ring in the love\_\_\_\_ of truth and right,  
 Ring out the thou - sand wars of old,  
 Ring out the dark - ness of the land,

29

But ring the full - er min - strel in.  
 Ring in the com - mon love of good.  
 Ring in the thou - sand years of peace.  
 Ring in Christ that is to be.

NEW YEAR  
AULD LANG SYNE

First verse, traditional

Traditional

Other verses, Robert Burns (1759-1796)

**P**

1. Should auld ac-quain-tance be for - got, And nev - er brought to mind?  
 2. We twa ha'e run a - boot the braes, And pu'd the gow - ans fine;  
 3. We twa ha'e sport - ed i' the burn, Frae morn - in' sun till dine,  
 4. And here's a hand, my trust - y frien', And gie's a hand o' thine;

Should auld ac-quain-tance be for - got, And days of auld lang syne?  
 But we've wan - der'd mon - y a wea - ry foot, Sin' auld lang syne.  
 But seas be - tween us braid ba'e roared Sin' auld lang syne.  
 We'll tak' a cup o' kind - ness yet, For auld lang syne.

For auld lang syne, my dear, For auld lang syne;

We'll tak' a cup o' kind - ness yet For auld lang syne.