And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld his glory... John 1:14

WARUM SOLLT' ICH MICH DENN GRÄMEN Paul Gerhardt, 1653 8. 3. 3. 6. 8. 3. 3. 6. Tr. by Catherine Winkworth, 1858, alt. Johann G. Ebeling, 1666 my heart this night re-joic - es Ţ hear Far and near $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{s}$ 2. Forth to - day the Con-queror go - eth, Who the foe, Sin and woe, still dread God's dis-plea - sure, Who, to save, Free-ly gave 4. He be-comes the Lamb that tak - eth Sin a - way And for aye 5. Hark! a voice from yon-der man - ger, Soft and sweet, Doth en-treat: "Christ is born," their choirs are sing -Sweet-est an - gel voic - es. ing Death and hell, o'er-throw-eth. God man, man is to de - liv er: His most cher-ished Trea-sure? To re - deem he hath giv us, en Full a - tone-ment mak - eth. For our life his he ten - ders: own "Flee from woe and dan - ger. Breth - ren, from all ills that grieve you Till air Ev - 'ry-where Now with joy is the ring - ing. His dear Son Now is one With our blood for er. His own Son From the throne Of his might in heav - en. And By his grace, Meet for glo - ry ren - ders. You are freed; All you need I will sure - ly give you." A - MEN.

- 6. Come, then, banish all your sadness, One and all, Great and small; Come with songs of gladness. Love him who with love is glowing; Hail the Star, Near and far Light and joy bestowing.
- 7. Dearest Lord, thee will I cherish.
 Though my breath
 Fail in death,
 Yet I shall not perish,
 But with thee abide for ever
 There on high,
 In that joy
 Which can vanish never.