

unison

1. From east to west, from shore to shore, Let ev - 'ry heart a - wake and sing
 2. Be - hold, the world's Cre - a - tor wears The form and fash - ion of a slave,
 3. *For this how won-drous - ly He wrought! A maid-en, in her low - ly place,*
 4. She bowed her to the an-gel's word, De - clar-ing what the Fa-ther willed,
 5. *He shrank not from the ox-en's stall, He lay with - in the man-ger - bed,*
 6. And while the an - gels in the sky Sang praise a - bove the si - lent field,
 7. All glo - ry for this bless-ed morn To God the Fa - ther ev - er be,

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 The Ho - ly Child whom Mar - y bore, The Christ, the ev - er - last - ing King.
 Our ver - y flesh our Mak - er shares, His fall - en crea - ture, man, to save.
Be - came, in ways be - yond all thought, The cho - sen ves - sel of His grace.
 And sud - den - ly the prom - ised Lord That pure and hal - lowed tem - ple filled.
And He whose boun - ty feed - eth all, At Mar - y's breast Him - self was fed.
 To shepherds poor, the Lord most high, The one great Shep - herd was re - vealed.
 All praise to Thee, O vir - gin - born, All praise, O Ho - ly Ghost, to Thee.

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