

Christmas Carols

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Adam Lay Ybounden

Anon. 15th cen.

Boris Ord

A - dam lay y - boun - den, Bound - en in a bond; Four thou - sand

The first system of the musical score for 'Adam Lay Ybounden'. It consists of a treble and a bass staff joined by a brace on the left. The key signature has two sharps (F# and C#), and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the accompaniment is in the bass staff. The lyrics are written below the staves.

All for an ap - ple, An
win - ter Thought he not too long. And all was for an ap - ple, An

The second system of the musical score. It continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The lyrics are written below the staves.

ap - ple that he took, As clerk - es find - en Writ - ten in their book.

The third system of the musical score. It continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staves.

Ne had the ap - ple tak - en been, The ap - ple tak - en been,

The fourth system of the musical score. It continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staves.

Ne had nev - er our la - dy A - been hea - ven - é queen.

The fifth system of the musical score. It continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staves.

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Bless - ed be the time That ap - ple tak - en was,

29

There - fore we moun sing - en, De - o gra - ci - as, De - o

De - o gra - ci -

33

as, De - o gra - ci - as!

gra - ci - as, De - o gra - ci - as!

as, De - o gra - ci - as!

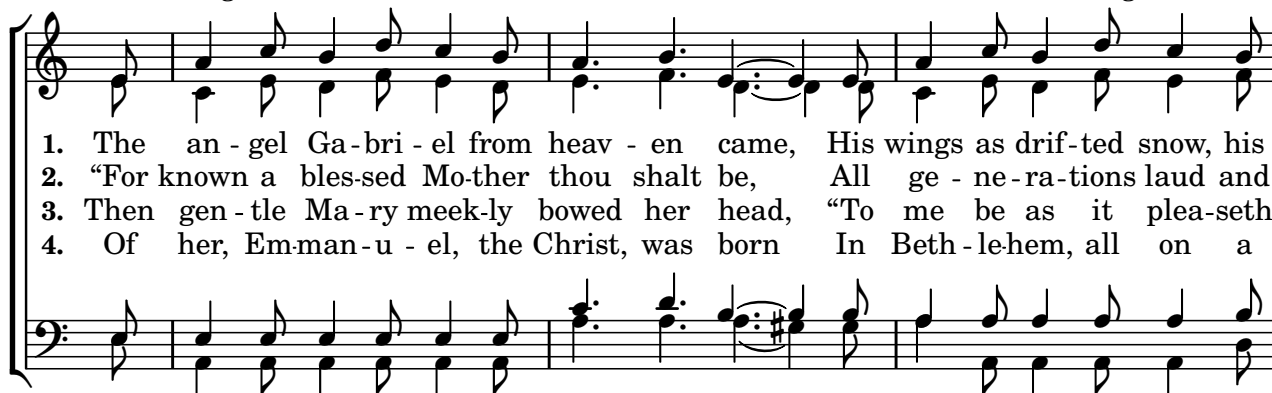
The Angel Gabriel

trans. Sabine Baring-Gould (1834-1924)

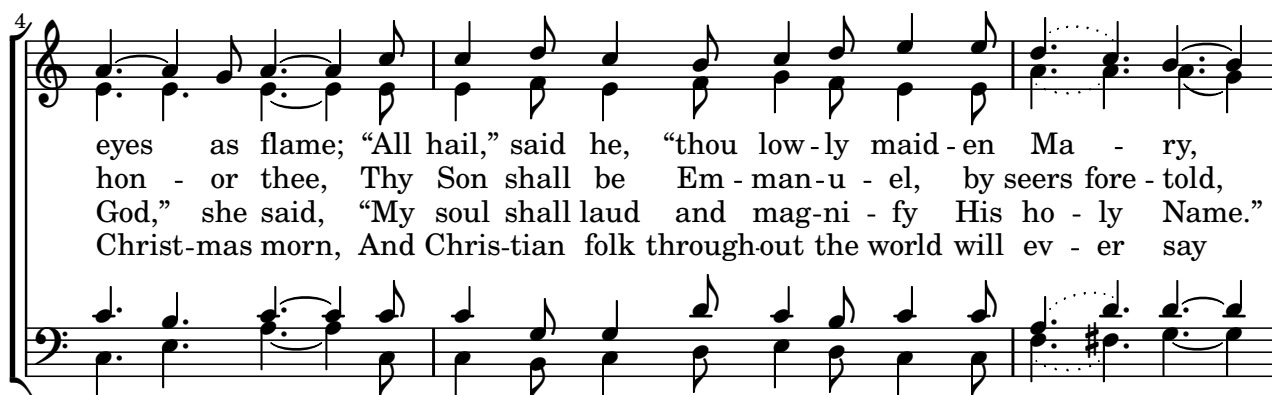
Basque Carol

Gabriel's Message 10.10.12.10

harm. Edgar Pettman



1. The an - gel Ga - bri - el from heav - en came, His wings as drif - ted snow, his
 2. "For known a bles - sed Mo - ther thou shalt be, All ge - ne - ra - tions laud and
 3. Then gen - tle Ma - ry meek - ly bowed her head, "To me be as it plea - seth
 4. Of her, Em - man - u - el, the Christ, was born In Beth - le - hem, all on a



eyes as flame; "All hail," said he, "thou low - ly maid - en Ma - ry,
 hon - or thee, Thy Son shall be Em - man - u - el, by seers fore - told,
 God," she said, "My soul shall laud and mag - ni - fy His ho - ly Name."
 Christ - mas morn, And Chris - tian folk through - out the world will ev - er say



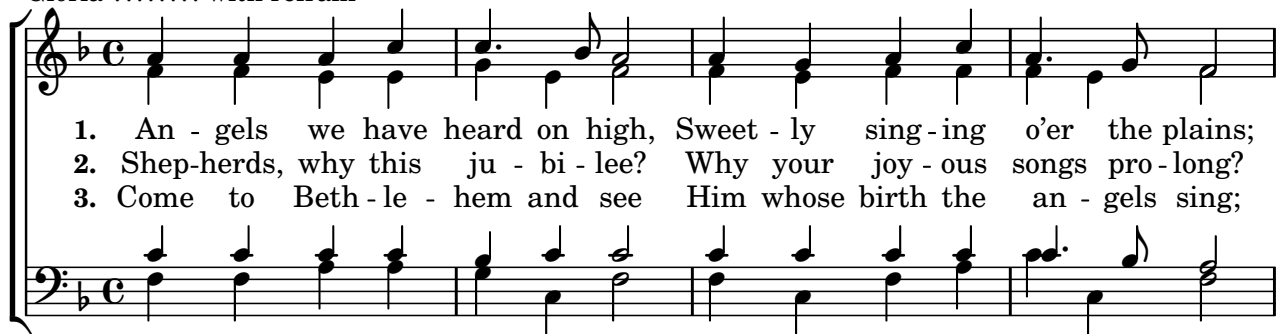
Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo - - ri - a!
 Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo - - ri - a!
 Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy, Glo - - ri - a!
 "Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo - - ri - a!

Angels We Have Heard on High

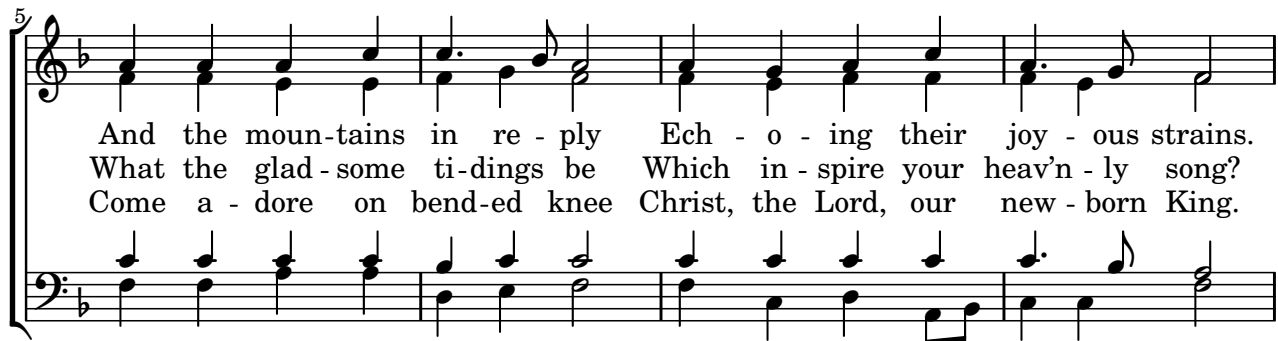
trans. Bishop James Chadwick (1813–1882)

18th Century French Carol

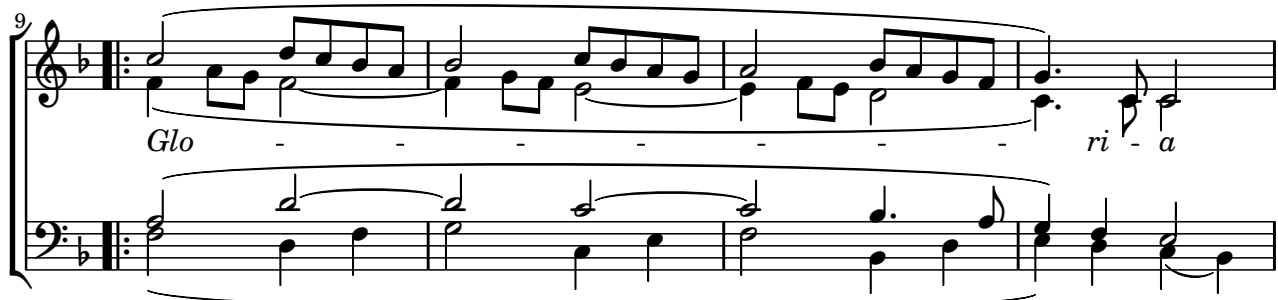
Gloria 7.7.7.7. with refrain



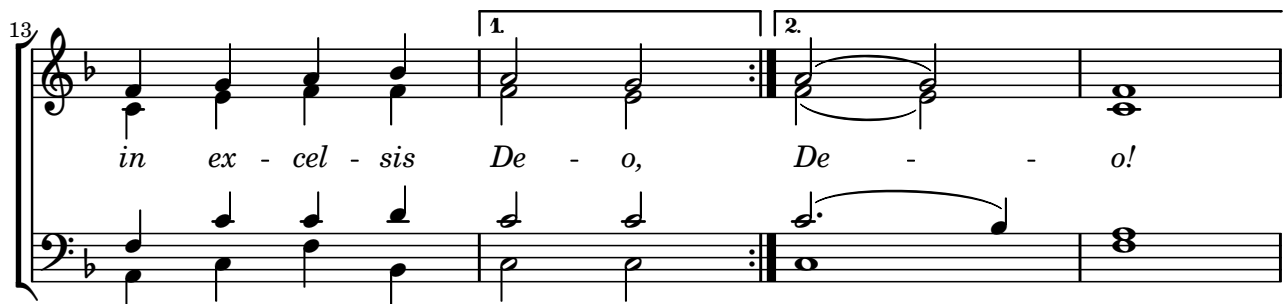
1. An - gels we have heard on high, Sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains;
2. Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous songs pro - long?
3. Come to Beth - le - hem and see Him whose birth the an - gels sing;



And the moun - tains in re - ply Ech - o - ing their joy - ous strains.
What the glad - some ti - dings be Which in - spire your heav'n - ly song?
Come a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ, the Lord, our new - born King.



Glo - - - - - ri - a



in ex - cel - sis De - o, De - - - o!

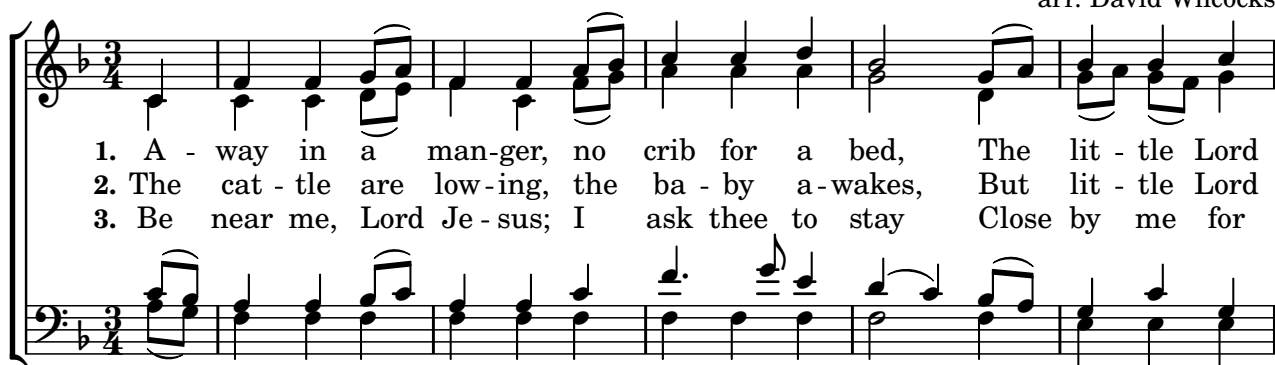
Away in a Manger

Cradle Song

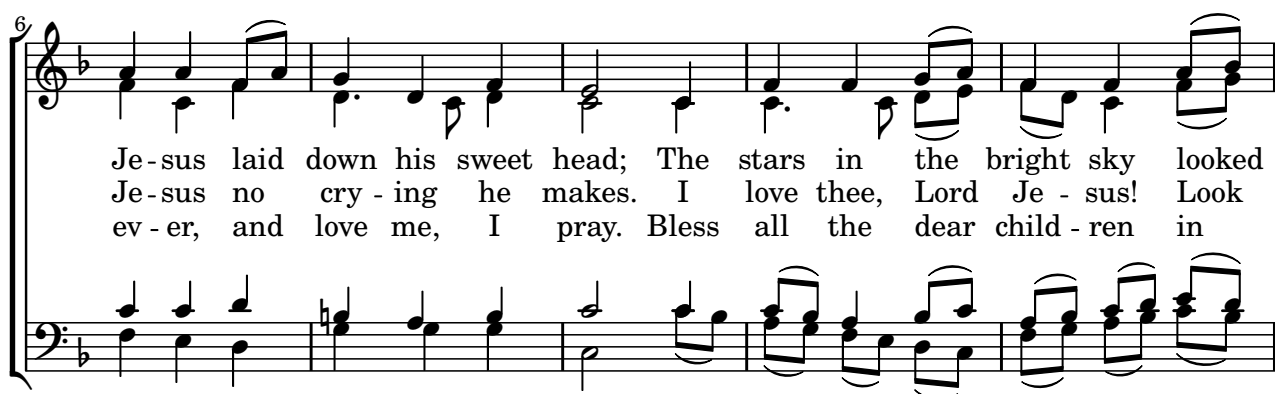
19th cen. American

W.J. Kirkpatrick (1838-1921)

arr. David Wilcocks



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



Je - sus laid down his sweet head; The stars in the bright sky looked
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 child - ren in



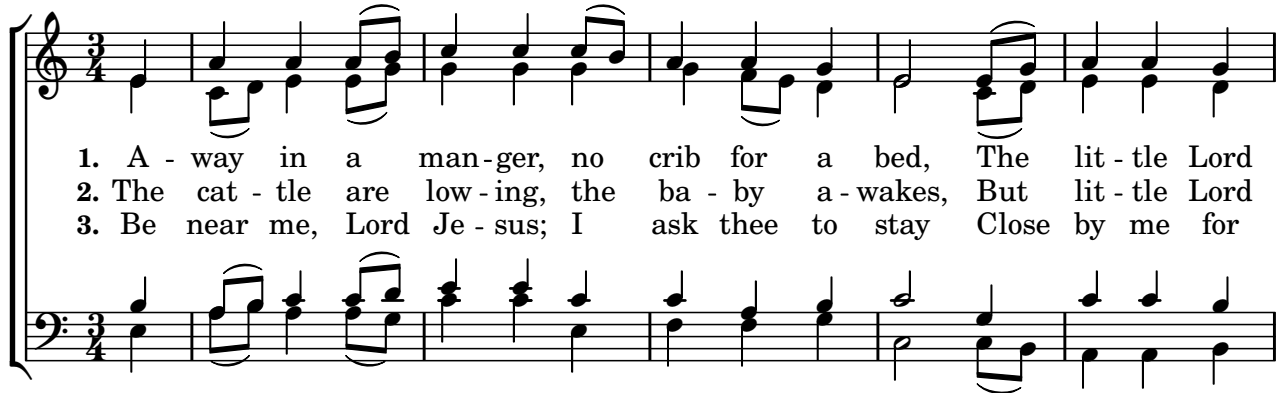
down where he lay, The lit - tle Lord Je - sus a - sleep on the hay.
down from the sky, and stay by my side un - til morn-ing is nigh.
thy ten - der care, and fit us for hea-ven, to live with thee there.

Away in a Manger (Normandy)

19th cen. American

Trad. Normandy Melody

arr. Reginald Jacques



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



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Je - sus no cry - ing he makes. I love thee, Lord Je - sus! Look
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Bring a Torch, Jeanette, Isabella!

Émile Blémont (1839–1927)

16th Century French Carol

trans. Edward Cuthbert Nunn

arr. Edward Cuthbert Nunn

1. Bring a torch, Jean-nette, Is-a-bel-la! Bring a torch, to the
2. It is wrong when the Child is sleep-ing, It is wrong to
3. 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; Christ is
talk so loud; Si-lence, all, as you gath-er a-round, Lest your
mo-ment come; Look and see how charm-ing is Je-sus, How He is

born and Ma-ry's call-ing: Ah! ah! beau-ti-ful is the
noise should wak-en Je-sus: Hush! hush! see how fast He
white, His cheeks are ros-y! Hush! hush! see how the Child is

Moth-er; Ah! ah! beau-ti-ful is her Son!
slum-bers! Hush! hush! see how fast He sleeps!
sleep-ing; Hush! hush! see how He smiles in dreams.

The Coventry Carol

(Lully, Lullay)

Robert Croo, 1534

16th Century English Carol

arr. Martin Fallas Shaw (1875-1958)

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

The first system of musical notation for 'The Coventry Carol'. It features a treble and bass staff in 3/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a simple accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

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

The second system of musical notation. It continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, with three verses of text.

15
poor Young-ling for whom we sing By, by, lul - ly, lul - lay?
men of might, in his own sight, All chil-dren young to slay.
Thy part - ing nor say nor sing, By, by, lul - ly, lul - lay.

The third system of musical notation. It continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, with three verses of text. The system ends with a double bar line.

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 meas - ure, Fa la la, la la la, la la la.
 Sing we joy - ous all to - geth - er, Fa la la, la la la, la la la.

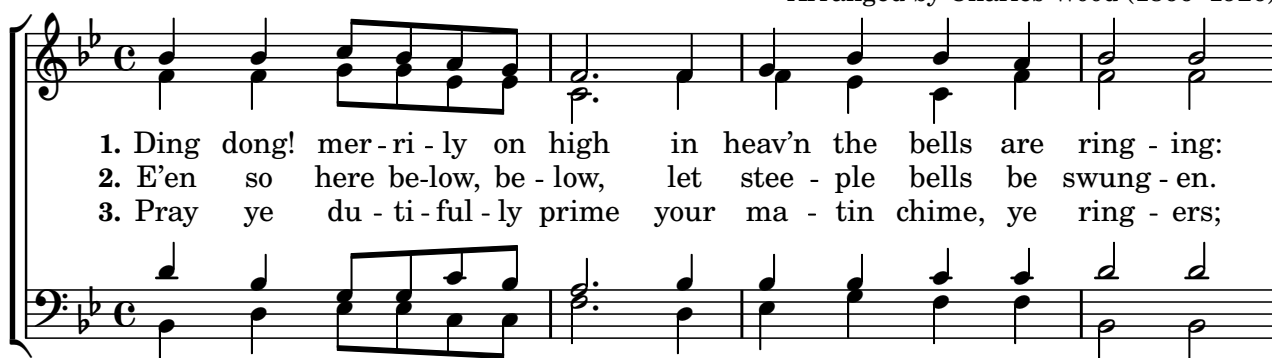
Troll the an - cient Yule - tide car - ol, Fa la la la la, la la la la.
 While I tell of Yule - tide treas - ure, Fa la la la la, la la la la.
 Heed - less of the wind and weath - er, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Ding Dong Merrily on High

George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848–1934)

16th century French melody

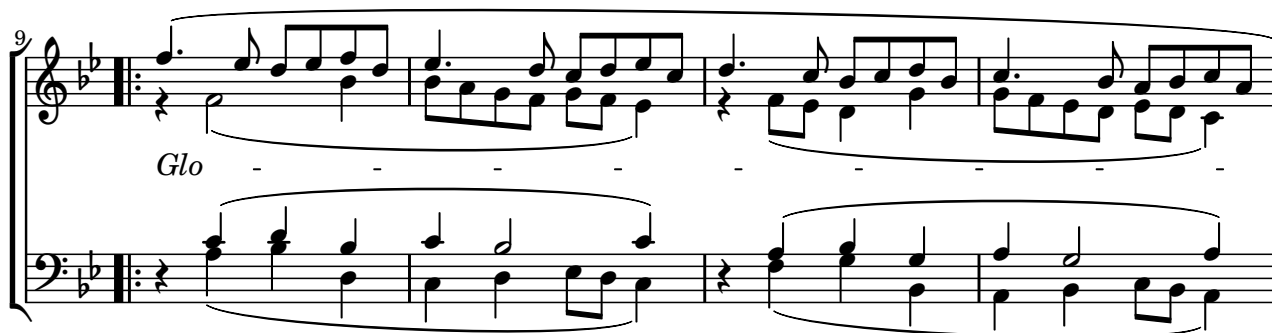
Arranged by Charles Wood (1866–1926)



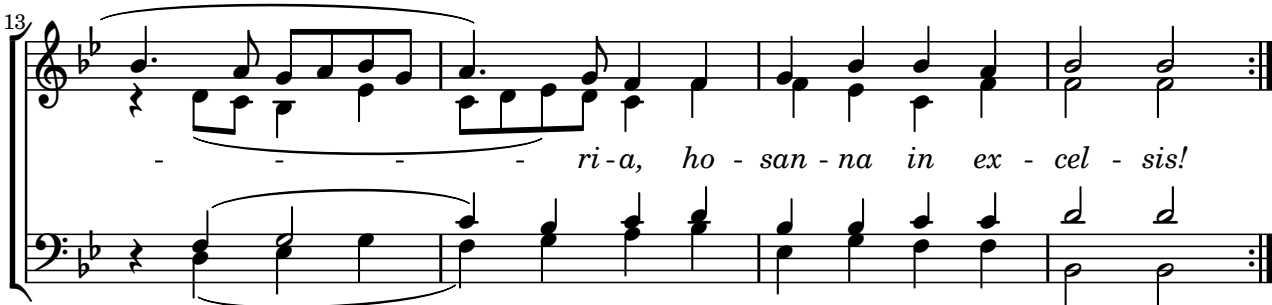
1. Ding dong! mer-ri-ly on high in heav'n the bells are ring-ing;
2. E'en so here be-low, be-low, let stee-ple bells be swung-en.
3. Pray ye du-ti-ful-ly prime your ma-tin chime, ye ring-ers;



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 - - - - -



- - - - - ri-a, ho-san-na in ex-cel-sis!

Es Ist Ein Ros' Entsprungen

(Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming)

St. Germanus, 634-734

14th cent. German Melody

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

Michael Praetorius, 1571-1621

1. Es ist ein Ros entsprungen, aus ein-er Wur - zel zart, wie uns die Alt-en
2. Das Rös-lein, das ich mein - e, da-von Je - sai - a sagt, ist Ma-ri - a die
3. Das Blüm-e - lein, so klein - e, das duf-tet uns_ so süß, mit sein-em hel-len

sung - en, von Jes - se kam_ die Art Und hat ein Blüm-lein
rei - ne die uns das Blüm - lein bracht. Aus Got - tes ew' - gem
Schein - e ver - treibt's die Fin - ster - nis. Wahr Mensch und wahr - er

bracht mit - ten im kalt-en Win-ter, wohl zu der hal - ben Nacht.
Rat hat sie ein Kind ge - bor - en und blieb ein rei - ne Magd.
Gott, hilft uns aus al - lem Leid - e, ret - tet von Sünd und Tod.

English - Verse 1:

Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming
from tender stem hath sprung!
Of Jesse's lineage coming,
as men of old have sung.
It came, a floweret bright,
Amid the cold of winter,
when half spent was the night.

Verse 2:

Isaiah 'twas foretold it,
the Rose I have in mind;
With Mary we behold it,
the virgin mother kind.
To show God's love aright,
She bore to men a Saviour,
when half spent was the night.

The First Noël

Traditional

18th Century French Melody

harm. by John Stainer

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 Shin-ing 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

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

11

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.

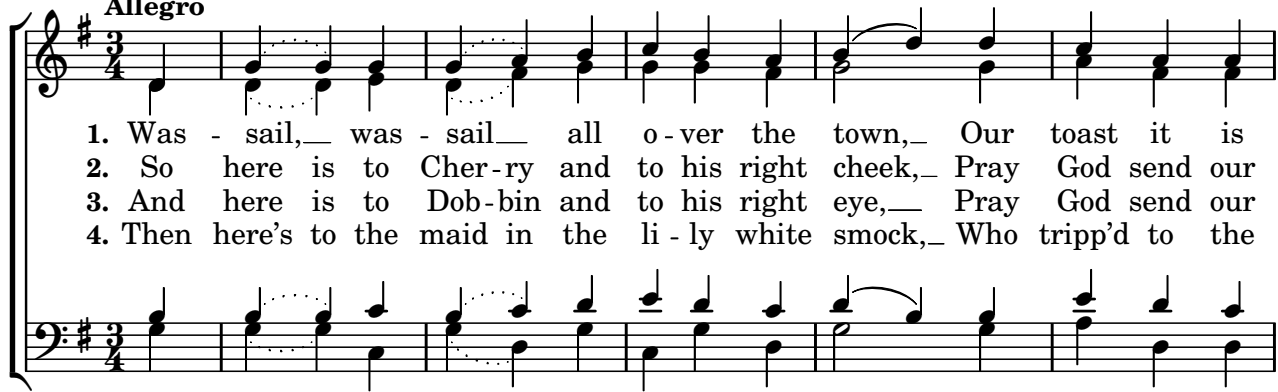
No - ël, No - ël, No - ël, No - ël, Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

Gloucestershire Wassail

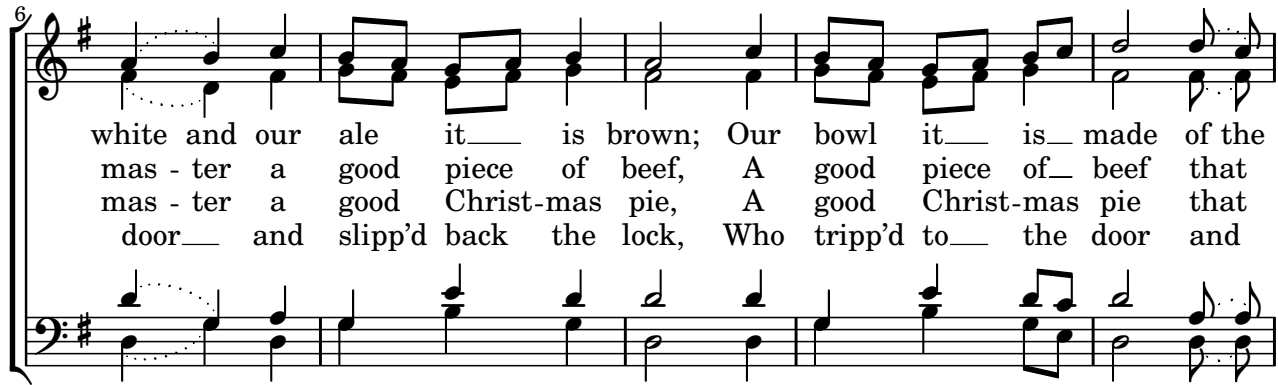
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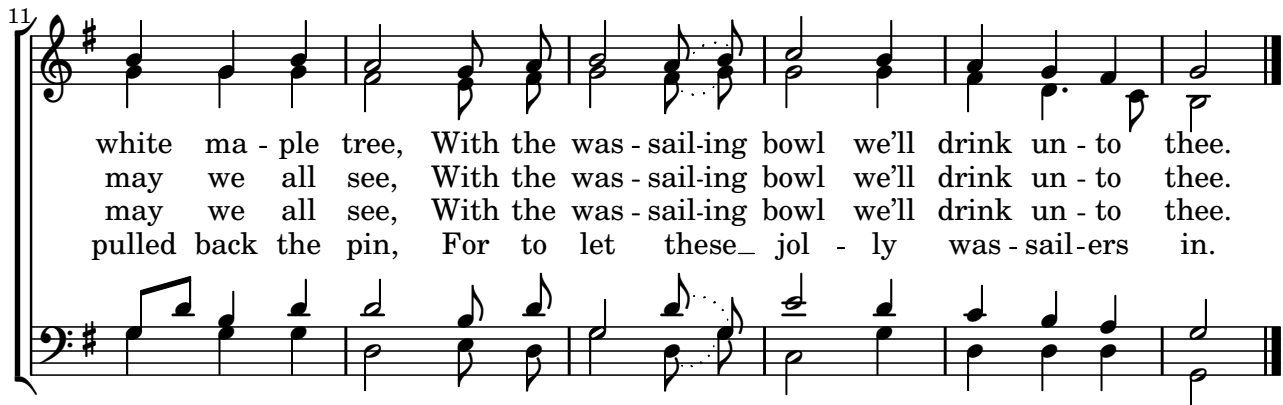
Allegro



1. Was - sail, was - sail all o-ver the town, Our toast it is
 2. So here is to Cher-ry and to his right cheek, Pray God send our
 3. And here is to Dob-bin and to his right eye, Pray God send our
 4. Then here's to the maid in the li - ly white smock, Who tripp'd to the



white and our ale it is brown; Our bowl it is made of the
 mas - ter a good piece of beef, A good piece of beef that
 mas - ter a good Christ-mas pie, A good Christ-mas pie that
 door and slipp'd back the lock, Who tripp'd to the door and



white ma - ple tree, With the was - sail-ing bowl we'll drink un - to thee.
 may we all see, With the was - sail-ing bowl we'll drink un - to thee.
 may we all see, With the was - sail-ing bowl we'll drink un - to thee.
 pulled back the pin, For to let these jol - ly was - sail-ers in.

God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen

London Carol

London Melody, 18th Cent.

God Rest Ye Merry 7 6. 7 6. 7 6. with Refrain

Sir John Stainer

1. God rest ye mer-ry, gen-tle-men, Let no-thing you dis-may, Re-
2. In Beth-le-hem, in Is-ra-el, This bless-ed Babe was born, And
3. From God our heav'n-ly Fa-ther A bles-sed an-gel came; And
4. The shep-herds at those ti-dings, Re-joic-ed much in mind, And

mem-ber Christ our Sav-iour Was born on Christ-mas Day; To
laid with-in a man-ger Up-on this bless-ed morn; The
un-to cer-tain shep-herds Brought ti-dings of the same; How
left their flocks a-feed-ing, In tem-pest, storm, and wind, And

save us all from Sa-tan's pow'r When we were gone a-stray. O ti-dings of
which his moth-er Ma-ry Did noth-ing take in scorn.
that in Beth-le-hem was born The Son of God by name.
went to Beth-le-hem strait-way, The Son of God to find.

com-fort and joy, Com-fort and joy; O ti-dings of com-fort and joy!

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

Rev. Charles Wesley

Felix Mendelssohn, 1840

Mendelssohn 7.7.7.7.D. with refrain

1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, Glo - ry to the new born King,
2. Christ, by high - est heaven a - dored, Christ, the e - ver - last - ing Lord
3. Hail the heaven born Prince of peace! Hail, the Sun of right - eous - ness!

Peace on earth, and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners re - con - ciled.
Late in time be - hold Him come, Off - spring of a Vir - gin's womb.
Light and life to all He brings, Ris'n with heal - ing in His wings.

Joy - ful all ye na - tions, rise, Join the tri - umph of the skies;
Veiled in flesh the God - head see! Hail, the In - car - nate De - i - ty!
Mild He lays His glo - ry by, Born that man no more may die,

With the - an - gel - ic host pro - claim "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem."
Pleased as Man with man to dwell, Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el.
Born to raise each child of earth, Born to give them sec - ond birth.

Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new born King!"

The Holly and the Ivy

17th Century English

English

arr. A.L.R., B.H.B.

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 lil - ly flow'r,
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 Christ-mas day in the morn:
And Ma-ry bore sweet Je-sus Christ, For to re - deem us_ all:

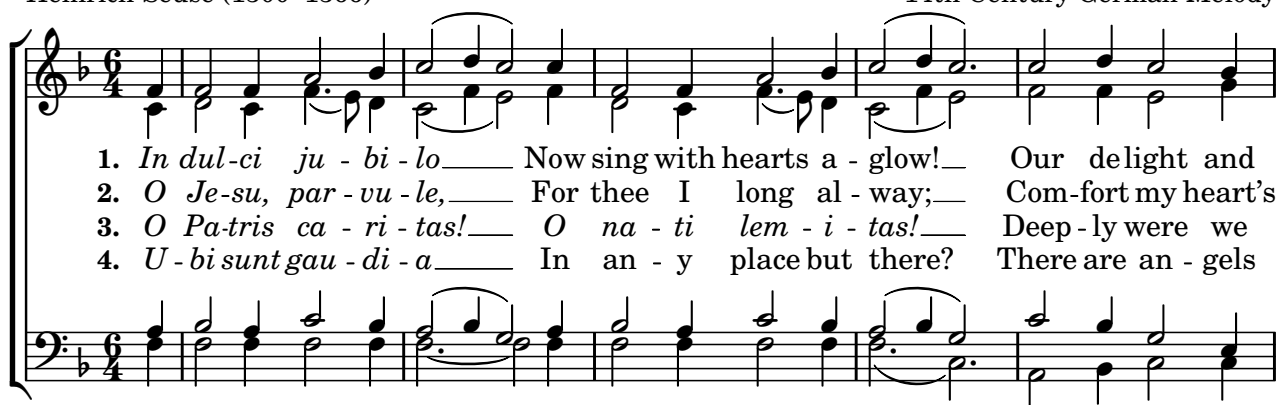
The ris-ing of the sun_ And the run-ning of the deer,

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

In dulci jubilo

Heinrich Seuse (1300–1366)


14th Century German Melody



1. *In dul-ci ju - bi - lo*____ Now sing with hearts a - glow!____ Our delight and
 2. *O Je-su, par - vu - le,*____ For thee I long al - way;____ Com-fort my heart's
 3. *O Pa-tris ca - ri - tas!*____ *O na - ti lem - i - tas!*____ Deep - ly were we
 4. *U - bi sunt gau - di - a*____ In an - y place but there? There are an - gels



plea - sure Lies in *præ-se - pi - o,*____ Like sun-shine is our trea - sure Ma -
 blind-ness *O Pu - er op - 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 can - ti - ca*____ And there the bells are ring - ing *In*



*tris in gre - mi - o.*____ *Al-pha es et O!*____ *Al-pha es et O!*
*Princeps glo - ri - æ.*____ *Tra-he me post Te!*____ *Tra-he me post Te!*
*lo - rum gau - di - a.*____ *O that we were there!* *O that we were there!*
*Re - gis cu - ri - a*____ *O that we were there!* *O that we were there!*

In the Bleak Midwinter

Christina Rossetti

Gustav Holst

Cranham 6.5.6.5.D.



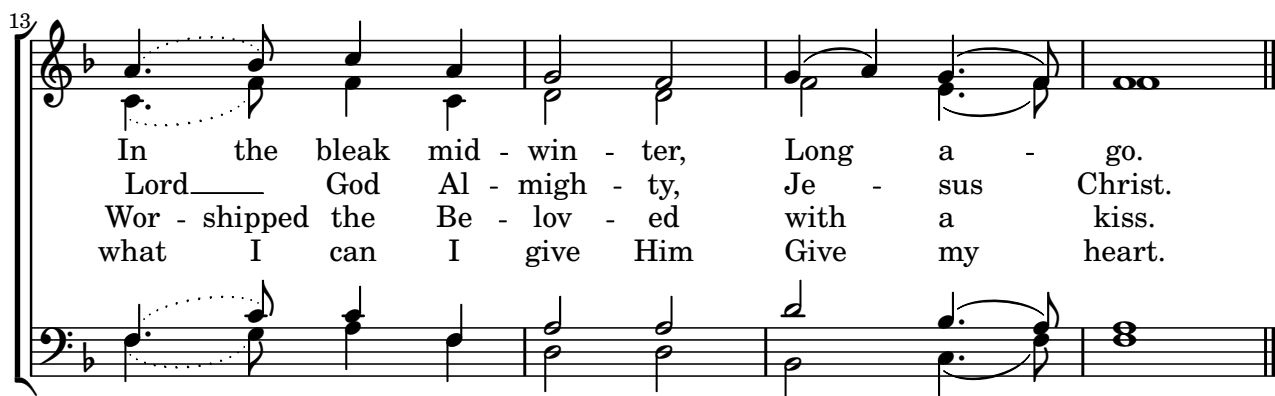
1. In the bleak mid - win - ter, fros - ty wind made moan,
 2. Hea - ven can - not hold Him Nor earth sus - tain;
 3. An - gels and arch - an - gels May have ga - thered there
 4. What can I give Him, Poor as I am?



Earth stood hard as i - ron, wa - ter like a stone,
 Heav'n and earth shall flee a - way When He comes to reign;
 Cher - u - bim and Ser - a - phim Throng - ed the air But
 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 The
 on - ly His mo - ther In her maid - en bliss
 If I were a wise man I would do my part; Yet

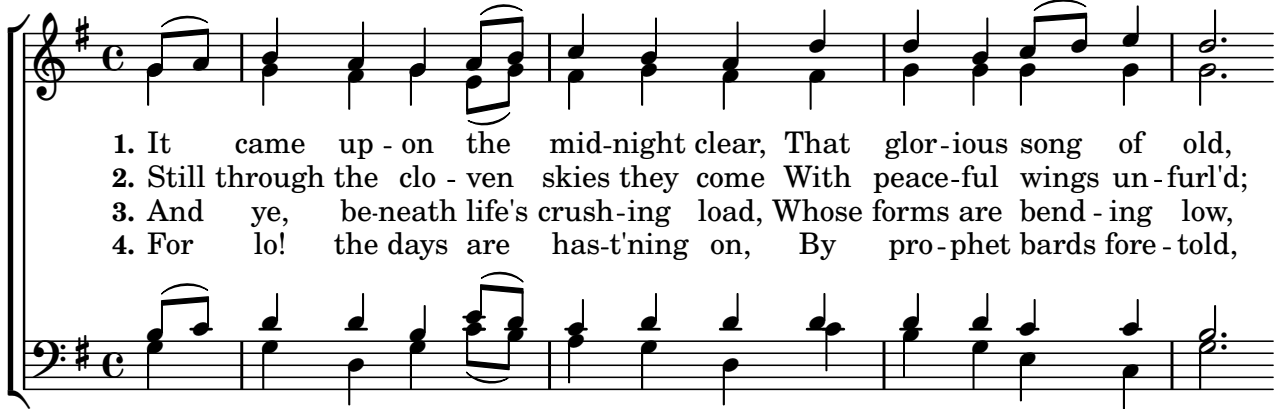


In the bleak mid - win - ter, Long a - go.
 Lord God Al - migh - ty, Je - sus Christ.
 Wor - shipped the Be - lov - ed with a kiss.
 what I can I give Him Give my heart.

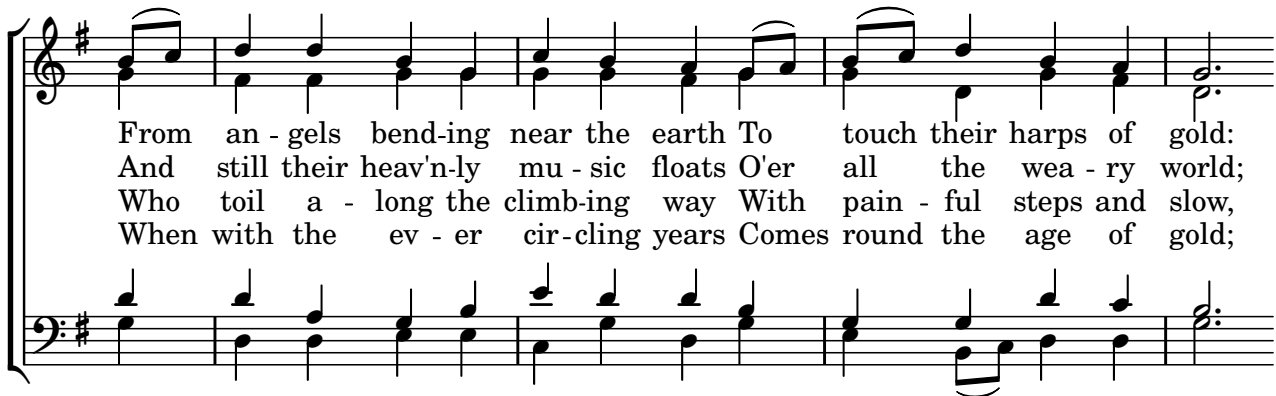
It Came Upon the Midnight Clear (Sullivan)

Edmund Hamilton Sears, 1810-1876

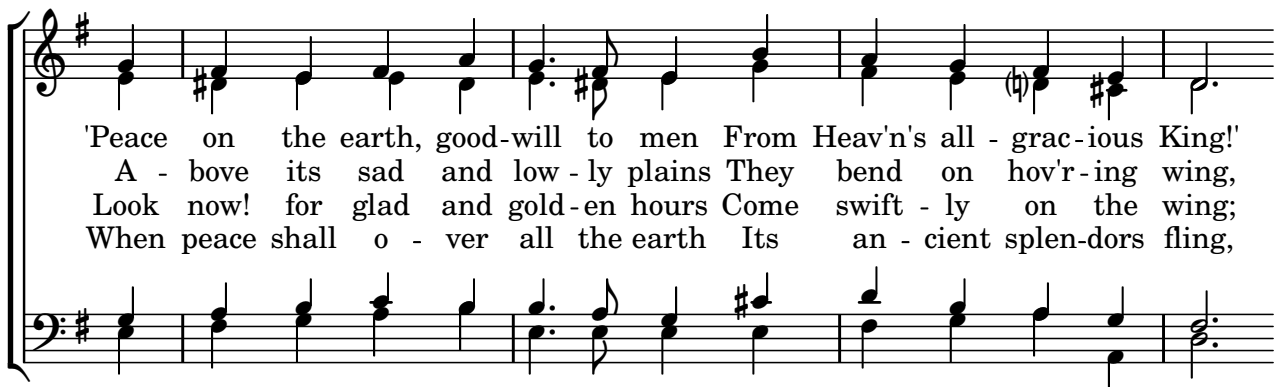
Trad. English, adapted by Arthur Sullivan



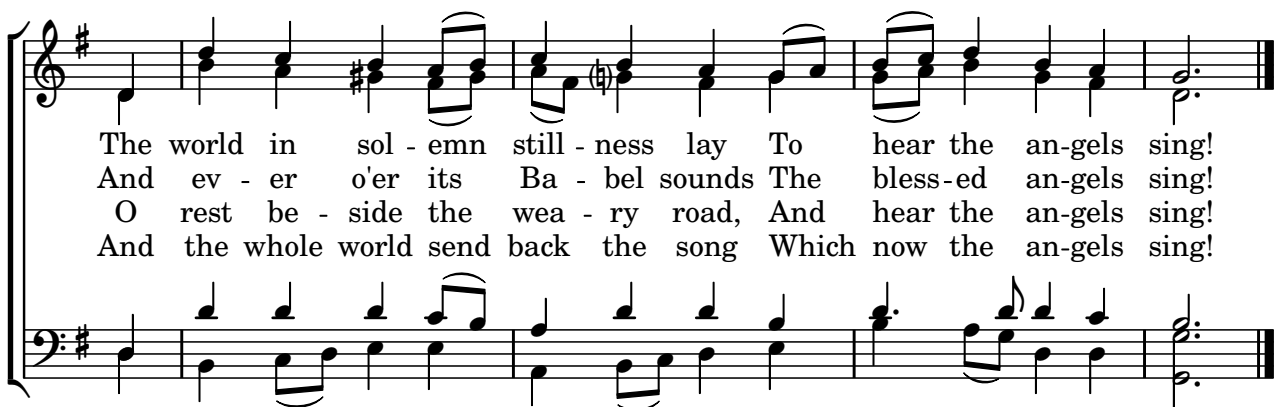
1. It came up - on the mid-night clear, That glor-ious song of old,
2. Still through the clo - ven skies they come With peace-ful wings un-furl'd;
3. And ye, be-neath life's crush-ing load, Whose forms are bend-ing low,
4. For lo! the days are has-t'ning on, By pro-phet bards fore - told,



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 - grac-ious King!
A - bove its sad and low-ly plains They bend on hov'r-ing 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!

It Came Upon the Midnight Clear (Willis)

Edmund Hamilton Sears, 1810-1876

Edward Storrs Willis, 1819-1900

Carol 8.6.8.6.D.

1. It came up-on the mid-night clear, That glor-ious song of
2. Still through the clo-ven skies they come With peace-ful wings un-
3. And ye, be-neath life's crush-ing load, Whose forms are bend-ing
4. For lo! the days are has-t'ning on, By pro-phet bards fore-

old, From an-gels bend-ing near the earth To touch their harps of
furl'd; And still their heav'n-ly mu-sic floats O'er all the wea-ry
low, Who toil a-long the climb-ing way With pain-ful steps and
told, 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-grac-ious
world; A-bove its sad and low-ly plains They bend on hov'r-ing
slow, Look now! for glad and gold-en hours Come swift-ly on the
gold; When peace shall o-ver all the earth Its an-cient splen-dors

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

Jesus Christ the Apple Tree

Words from "Divine Hymns or Spiritual Songs"

Elizabeth Poston (1905–87)

v1: solo or unis.

*v5: unis. or canon (enter at *)*



1. The tree of life my soul hath seen, La-den with fruit and al-ways green: The
5. This fruit doth make my soul to thrive, It keeps my dy-ing faith a - live; This



tree of life my soul hath seen, La-den with fruit and al-ways green: The
fruit doth make my soul to thrive, It keeps my dy-ing faith a - live; Which



trees of na-ture fruit-less be Com-pared with Christ the ap-ple tree.
makes my soul in haste to be With Je-sus Christ the ap-ple tree.

SSAA

2. His beau-ty doth all things ex-cel: By faith I know, but ne'er can tell His

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beau-ty doth all things ex-cel: By faith I know, but ne'er can tell The

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glo-ry which I now can see In Je-sus Christ the ap-ple tree.

SATB

3. For hap-pi-ness I long have sought, And pleas-ure dear-ly I have bought: For
 4. I'm wear-y with my for - mer toil, Here I will sit and rest a - while: I'm

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hap-pi-ness I long have sought, And pleas-ure dear-ly I have bought: I
 wear-y with my for - mer toil, Here I will sit and rest a - while: Und-

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missed of all; but now I see 'Tis found in Christ the ap - ple tree.
 er the sha - dow I will be of Je - sus Christ the ap - ple tree.

Joy To The World

Rev Isaac Watts, 1719

attributed to G. F. Handel

Antioch C.M. with Refrain

Lowell Mason, 1830

1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come: Let earth re -
2. Joy to the world! The Sav - iour reigns: Let men their
3. He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the

ceive her King, Let ev - ery heart pre - pare Him
songs em - ploy; While fields and floods, rocks hills and
na - tions prove The glo - ries of His right - eous -

room, And heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture
plains Re - peat the sound-ing joy, Re - peat the sound-ing
ness And won - ders of His love, And won - ders of His

And heav'n and na - ture sing, And
Re - peat the sound-ing joy, Re -
And won - ders of His love, And

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

heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture sing.
peat the sound-ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing joy.
won - ders of His love, And won - ders of His love.

Noël Nouvelet

15th Century French Carol

1. No - ël nou - ve - let, No - ël chan - tons i - ci,
 2. En Beth - lé - em, Ma - rie et Jo - seph vy,
 3. Bien - tôt les rois, par l'é - toile é - clair - cis,

Dé - vo - tes gens, cri - ons à Dieu mer - ci!
 l'âne et le boeuf, l'en - fant cou - ché au lit
 De l'O - ri - ent dont ils é - taient sor - tis.

Chan - tons No - ël pour le Roi nou - ve - let!
 La crèche é - tait au lieu d'un ber - cel - et;
 A Beth - lé - em vin - rent un ma - ti - net;

No - ël nou - ve - let, No - ël chan - tons i - ci!

O Come All Ye Faithful

John Francis Wade, trans. by Frederick Oakley

John Francis Wade

Adeste Fideles

Latin. A - des - te fi - de - les lae - ti tri - um - phan - tes, Ve -
1. O come, all ye faith - ful, Joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
2. Sing, choirs of an - gels, Sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
3. Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, Born this hap - py mor - ning,

ni - te, ve - ni - te in Beth - le - hem. Na - tum vi - de - te
come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem; Come and be - hold Him
Sing, all ye ci - ti - zens of heav'n a - bove, Glo - ry to God, all
Je - su, to Thee be glo - ry given; Word of the Fa - ther,

Refrain
Re - gem an - ge - lo - rum: Ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus, Ve - ni - te a - do -
Born the King of An - gels: O come, let us a - dore Him, O come, let us a -
glo - ry in the high - est;
Now in flesh ap - pear - ing;

re - mus, Ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num.
dore Him, O come, let us a - dore Him, Christ the Lord!

O Little Town of Bethlehem (Trad. English)

Bishop Phillips Brooks, 1868

Trad. English Melody

Forest Green 8.6.8.6.7.6.8.6.

arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams

1. O lit - tle town of Beth-le - hem How still we see thee lie; A -
2. For Christ is born of Ma - ry; And ga - thered all a - bove, While
3. How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly The won - drous gift is giv'n! So
4. O Ho - ly Child of Beth-le - hem, Des - cend to us we pray; Cast

bove thy deep and dream - less sleep The si - lent stars go by: Yet
mor - tals sleep, the an - gels keep Their watch of won - dering love. O
God im - parts to hu - man hearts The bles - sings of His heaven: No
out our sin, and en - ter in; Be born in us to - day. We

in thy dark streets shin - eth The e - ver - las - ting Light; The
mor - ning stars, to - ge - ther Pro - claim the ho - ly birth, An
ear may hear His com - ing; But in this world of sin, Where
hear the Christ - mas an - gels The great glad ti - dings tell: O

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hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee to - night.
prai - ses sing to God the King, And peace to all the earth!
meek souls will re - ceive Him, still The dear Christ en - ters in.
come to us, a - bide with us, Our Lord Em - man - u - el.

O Little Town of Bethlehem (Redner)

Bishop Phillips Brooks, 1868

Lewis H. Redner, 1868

St. Louis 8.6.8.6.D.

1. O lit - tle town of Beth-le - hem How still we see thee lie; A -
2. For Christ is born of Ma - ry; And ga - thered all a - bove, While
3. How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly The won - drous gift is giv'n! So
4. O Ho - ly Child of Beth-le - hem, Des - cend to us we pray; Cast

bove thy deep and dream-less sleep The si - lent stars go by: Yet
mor-tals sleep, the an - gels keep Their watch of won - dering love. O
God im - parts to hu - man hearts The bles - sings of His heaven: No
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ear may hear His com - ing; But in this world of sin, Where
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come to us, a - bide with us, Our Lord Em - man - u - el.

O magnum mysterium

Tomás Luis de Victoria (c.1548-1611)

Cantus

Altus

Tenor

Bassus

O ma - gnum my - ste - ri - um et ad - mi - ra - bi - le sa - cra - men -

O ma - gnum my - ste - ri - um et ad - mi -

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- - - - - tum, o ma - gnum my - - - ste -

ra - bi - le sa - cra - men - - - tum, o ma - gnum my - ste - ri - um, et

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O ma - gnum my - ste - ri - um et ad - mi - ra - bi - le sa -

O ma - gnum my - ste - ri - um et

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- ri - um et ad - mi - ra - bi - le, et ad - mi - ra - bi - le sa - cra - men - tum

ad - mi - ra - bi - le sa - cra - men - tum, et ad - mi - ra - bi - le sa - cra - men - tum

8

cra - men - - - - tum, et ad - mi - ra - bi - le sa - cra - men tum, ut a - ni - ma - li -

ad - mi - ra - bi - le sa - cra - men - tum, et ad - mi - ra - bi - le sa - cra - men tum, ut a - ni - ma - li -

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ut a - ni - ma - li - a vi - de - rent Do - mi - num na - tum, vi - de - rent Do - mi - num na - -

ut a - ni - ma - li - a vi - de - rent Do - mi - num na - tum, vi - de - rent Do - mi - num na - -

8

a, ut a - ni - ma - li - a vi - de - rent Do - mi - num na - tum, vi - de - rent Do - mi - num na - tum

a vi - de - rent Do - mi - num na - tum ia -

- tum ia - cen - tem in prae - se - pi - o

tum, ia - cen - - tem ia - cen - tem in prae - se - - - pi -

ia - cen - tem in prae - se - - - pi - o ia - cen - tem in

cen - tem in prae - se - - - pi - o ia - cen - tem in prae -

ia - cen - tem in prae - se - - - pi - o.

o ia - cen - tem in prae - - se - - - pi - o.

prae - se - - - pi - o, in prae - se - - - pi - o.

se - - - pi - o, in prae - se - - - pi - o.

O be - a - ta Vir - - - go, cu - ius vi - sce-ra me - ru - e -

O be - a - ta Vir - - - go cu - ius vi - sce-ra me - ru - e -

O be - a - ta Vir - - - go, cu - ius vi - sce-ra me - ru - e -

O be - a - ta Vir - - - go, cu - ius vi - sce-ra me - ru - e -

runt por-ta-re Do - - mi-num Ie - sum Chri - - stum. Al - le - lu - ia, al -

runt por-ta-re Do - - mi-num Ie - - sum Chri - stum. Al - le - lu - ia, al -

runt por-ta-re Do - mi - num Ie - sum Chri - stum. Al - le - lu - ia, al -

runt Ie - - sum Chri - stum.

le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia al - le - lu - ia, al - le-lu -

le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu -

le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le-lu -

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu -

ia al - le - lu - - - ia.

ia al - le - lu - - - ia al - le - lu - - - ia.

ia, al - le - lu - - - ia, al - le - lu - - - ia.

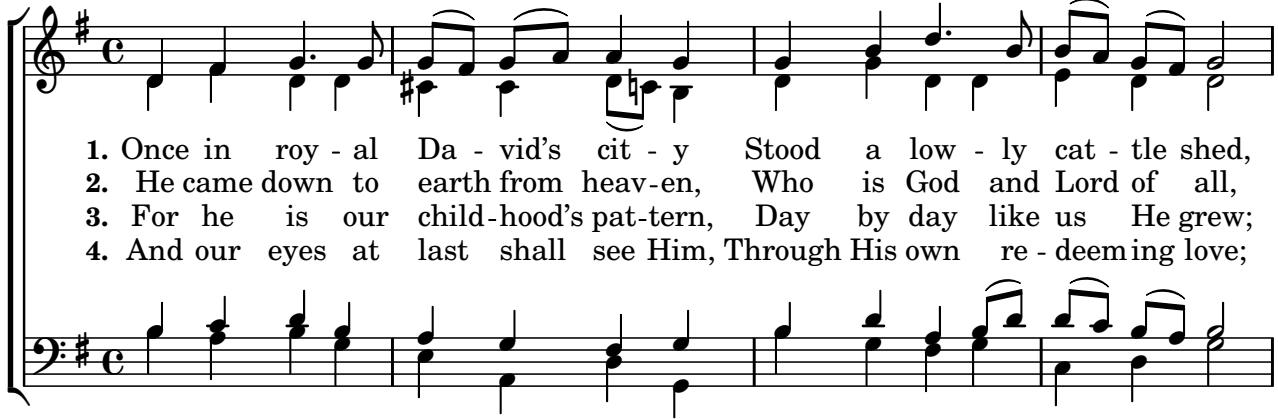
ia, al - le - - - lu - - - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Once in Royal David's City

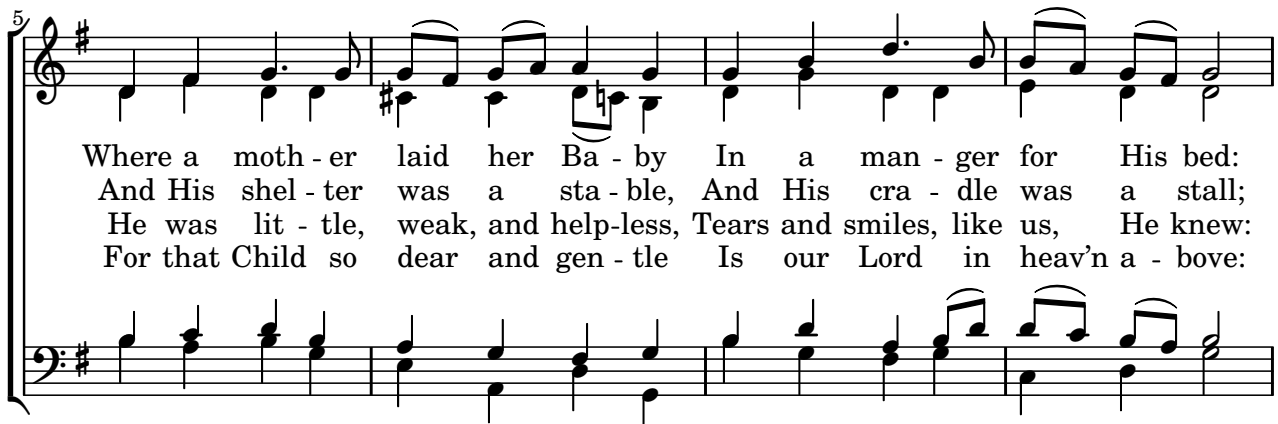
C.F. Alexander (1818-95)

H.J. Gauntlett (1805-76)

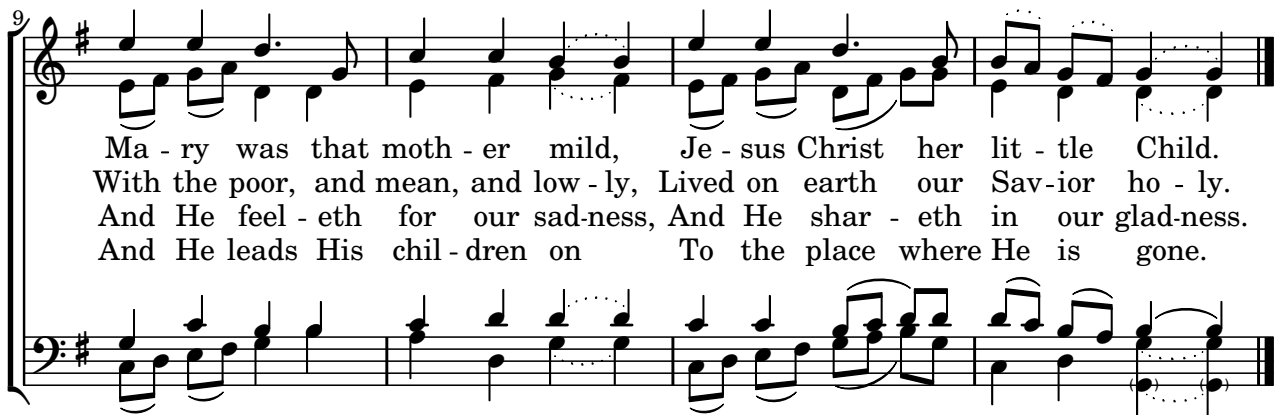
arr. A.H. Mann (1850-1929)



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. For he is our child-hood's pat-tern, Day by day like us He grew;
4. 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;
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.
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.

Rock of Ages

(Ma'oz Tzur)

arr. Sarah Riskind (ed. McCormick)

Rock of a-ges, let our song praise Your sav-ing pow-er: You, a-midst the

The first system of musical notation for 'Rock of Ages' is in common time (C) with a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb). It consists of a treble and bass staff joined by a brace. The melody is primarily in the treble staff, featuring a mix of quarter, eighth, and half notes. The lyrics 'Rock of a-ges, let our song praise Your sav-ing pow-er: You, a-midst the' are written below the treble staff.

raging foes, were our shel-t'ring tow-er. Furious they assailed us, but Your arm a -

The second system of musical notation continues the piece. It begins with a measure rest marked with a '6' above the treble staff. The melody continues in the treble staff with lyrics 'raging foes, were our shel-t'ring tow-er. Furious they assailed us, but Your arm a -' below it.

ailed us, and your word broke their sword when our own strength

The third system of musical notation continues the piece. It begins with a measure rest marked with a '12' above the treble staff. The melody continues in the treble staff with lyrics 'ailed us, and your word broke their sword when our own strength' below it.

failed us, and your word broke their sword when our own strength failed us.

The fourth system of musical notation concludes the piece. It begins with a measure rest marked with a '16' above the treble staff. The melody continues in the treble staff with lyrics 'failed us, and your word broke their sword when our own strength failed us.' below it. The system ends with a double bar line.

Ríu Ríu Chíu

16th Century Villancico (ed. Nancho Alvarez)

B
 Ri - u, ri - u, chi - u, la guar - da ri - be - ra: Dios guar - dó del lo - bo de nues -

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 B tra cor - de - ra Dios guar - dó del lo - bo a nues - tra cor - de - ra.

14
 S Ri - u, ri - u, chi - u, la guar - da ri - be - ra: Dios guar - dó del lo -
 A Ri - u, ri - u, chi - u, la guar - da ri - be - ra: Dios guar - dó del lo - bo, lo -
 T Ri - u, ri - u, chi - u, la guar - da ri - be - ra: Dios guar - dó del lo - bo, del lo -
 B Ri - u, ri - u, chi - u, la guar - da ri - be - ra: Dios guar - dó del lo - bo, del lo -

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 S bo de nues - tra cor - de - ra Dios guar - dó del lo - bo a nues - tra cor - de - ra. Fin
 A bo, de nues - tra cor - de - ra Dios guar - dó del lo - bo, lo - bo a nues - tra cor - de - ra.
 T bo, de nues - tra cor - de - ra Dios guar - dó del lo - bo, del lo - bo a nues - tra cor - de - ra.
 B bo, de nues - tra cor - de - ra Dios guar - dó del lo - bo, del lo - bo a nues - tra cor - de - ra.

29 Coplas
 B El lo - bo ra - bio - so la qui - so mor - der, mas Dios po - de - ro - so la su - po de - fen - der;
 Es - te que es na - ci - do es el gran mo - nar - ca, Cris - to pa - tri - ar - ca de car - ne ves - ti - do;

37
 B qui - so - la ha - cer que no pu - die - se pe - car, ni - aun o - ri - gi - nal es - ta Vir - gen no tu - vie - ra.
 ha - nos re - di - mi - do con se ha - cer chi - qui - to aun - que e - ra in - fi - ni - to, fi - ni - to se hi - cie - ra. D.S.

See Amid the Winter's Snow

Edward Caswall, 1851

"Humility", John Goss, 1870

From "The Children's Hymnal, with Tunes", 1875

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. Sac - red Inf - ant, all di - vine, What a ten - der love was Thine,

See the gen - tle Lamb ap - pears, Pro-mised from e - ter - nal years.
He who, throned in height sub - lime, Sits a - mong the cher - u - bim.
Thus to come from high - est bliss Down to such a world as this.

Hail, thou ev - er - bless - ed morn, Hail, re-demp-tion's hap - py dawn,

Sing through all Je - ru - sal - em: Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!

Stille Nacht

(Silent Night)

Rev. Joseph Mohr, 1818

Franz Gruber, 1818

1. Stil - le Nacht! hei - li - ge Nacht! Al - les schläft; ein - sam wacht.
2. Stil - le Nacht! hei - li - ge Nacht! Hir - ten erst kund - ge - macht,
3. Stil - le Nacht! hei - li - ge Nacht! Got - tes Sohn, o wie lacht

Nur das trau - te hoch - hei - li - ge Paar. Hol - der Kna - be im lock - i - gen Haar,
Durch der En - gel Hal - le - lu - ja! Tönt es laut von fern und nah:
Lieb' aus dein - em göt - tlichen Mund, Da uns schlägt die ret - tende Stund'.

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

English - Verse 1:

Silent night! Holy night!
All is calm, all is bright,
Round yon Virgin Mother & Child!
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace! (2x)

Verse 2:

Silent night! Holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight!
Glories stream from Heaven afar,
Heavenly Hosts sing Alleluia!
Christ, the Saviour, is born! (2x)

Verse 3:

Silent night! Holy night!
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy Holy Face
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy Birth! (2x)

The Sussex Carol

Traditional English (17th century or earlier)

1. On Christ - mas night all Chris - tians sing To hear the news the
 2. Then why should we on earth be so sad, Since our Re - deem - er
 3. When sin de - parts be - fore His grace, Then life and health come
 4. All out of dark - ness we have light, Which made the an - gels

1. an - gels bring! On an - gels bring: News of great joy, news of great
 2. made us glad? Then made us glad? When from our sin He set us
 in its place. When in its place. An - gels and men with joy may
 sing this night. All sing this night: "Glo - ry to God and peace to

8. mirth, News of our mer - ci - ful King's birth!
 free, All for to gain our lib - er - ty.
 sing, All for to see the new - born King!
 men, Now and for ev - er - more, A - men!"

The Truth From Above

(Herefordshire Carol)

Traditional English

harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams

1. This is the truth sent from a - bove, The
 2. The first thing which I do re - late
 3. Then, af - ter this, 'twas God's own choice To
 4. But they did eat, which was a sin, And
 5. Thus we were heirs to end - less woes, Till

truth of God, the God of love. There -
 Is that God did man cre - ate; The
 place them both in Pa - ra - dise, There
 thus their ru - in did be - gin. Ru -
 God the Lord did in - ter - pose; And

fore don't turn me from your door, But
 next thing which to you I'll tell Wo -
 to re - main, from e - vil free, Ex -
 ined them - selves, both you and me, And
 so a prom - ise soon did run That He

heark - en all both rich and poor.
 man was made with man to dwell.
 cept they ate of such a tree.
 all of their pos - ter - i - ty.
 would re - deem us by His Son.

Veni, Veni Emmanuel

(O Come O Come Emmanuel)

trans. John M. Neale and Henry Sloane Coffin

Ancient plainsong

8.8.8.8.8. with Refrain

arr. Thomas Helmore

1. Ve - ni, ve - ni Em - man - u - el! Cap - ti - vum sol - ve Is - ra - el! Qui
2. Ve - ni, O Sap - i - en - ti - a, quae hic dis - po - nis om - ni - a, ve -
3. Ve - ni, ve - ni, A - do - na - i, qui pop - u - lo in Si - na - i le -
4. Ve - ni, O Jess - e vir - gu - la, ex host - is tu - os un - gu - la, de

ge - mit in ex - i - li - o, Pri - va - tus De - i Fi - li - o,
ni, vi - am pru - den - ti - ae ut do - ce - as et glo - ri - ae.
gem de - dis - ti ver - ti - ce in ma - jes - ta - te glo - ri - ae.
spec - u - tu - os tar - tar - i e - duc et an - tro bar - a - thri.

Gau - de, gau - de, Em - man - u - el Na - sce - tur pro te, Is - ra - el.

5.

Veni, Clavis Davidica,
regna reclude caelica,
fac iter tutum superum,
et claude vias inferum.

6.

Veni, veni O Oriens,
solare nos adveniens,
noctis depelle nebulas,
dirasque mortis tenebras.

7.

Veni, veni, Rex Gentium,
veni, Redemptor omnium,
ut salvas tuos famulos
peccati sibi conscios.

Judea (A Virgin Unspotted)

William Billings (1746 – 1800)

1. A vir - gin un - spot - ted by Pro - phet fore - told, Should
 2. Then God sent an an - gel from Hea - ven so high, To

bring forth the Sav - ior which now we be-hold, To be our Re-deem-er from
 cer - tain poor shep-herds in fields where they lie, And bade them no long-er in

death, hell, and sin, Which A - dam's trans-gres-sions in - vol-ved us in. Then
 sor - row to stay, Be-cause that our Sav-iour was born on this day. Then

let us be mer-ry, put sor-row a-way, Our Sav-iour, Christ Je-sus was

born on this day. Then born on this day

Verse 3:

Then presently after the shepherds did spy
 Vast numbers of angels to stand in the sky;
 They joyfully talkèd and sweetly did sing,
 To God be all glory, our heavenly King.

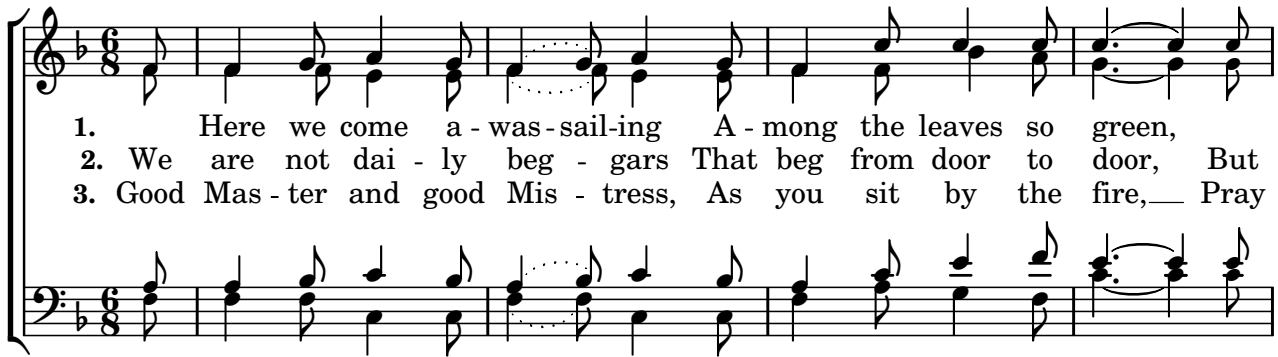
Verse 4:

To teach us humility all this was done,
 And learn we from thence haughty pride for to shun:
 A manger His cradle who came from above,
 The great God of mercy, of peace, and of love.

The Wassail Song

Traditional

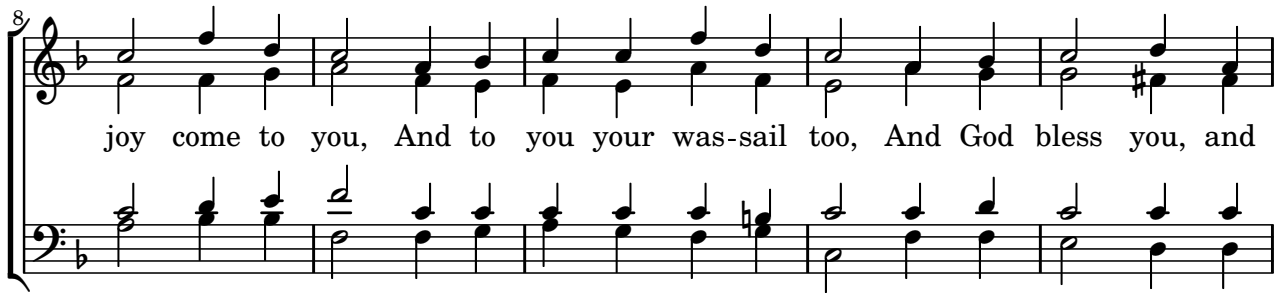
Traditional (Yorkshire)



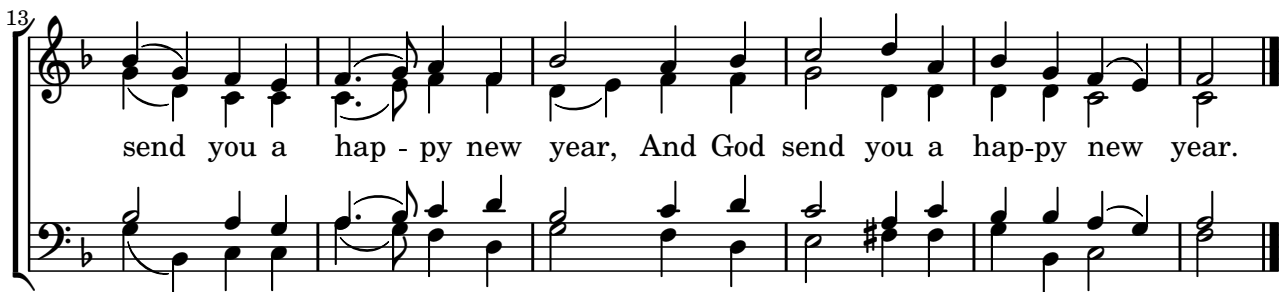
1. Here we come a - was-sail-ing A - mong the leaves so green,
 2. We are not dai - ly beg - gars That beg from door to door, But
 3. Good Mas - ter and good Mis - tress, As you sit by the fire,— Pray



Here we come a - wan - d'ring, So fair— to be seen.
 we are neigh-bors' chil - dren Whom you have seen be - fore. Love and
 think of us poor chil - dren Who wan - der in the mire.



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



send you a hap - py new year, And God send you a hap-py new year.

We Three Kings of Orient Are

John H. Hopkins (1820–1891)

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

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

a tempo
 O Star of won - der, star of night, Star with roy - al beau - ty bright,

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

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
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

The first system of the musical score is in 3/4 time, key of D major. It features a treble and bass staff with a grand staff bracket. The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a simple accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staves.

5. 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

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. It includes the word 'Fine' at the end of the system. The lyrics are written below the staves.

Good ti - dings we bring to you and your kin; Good

The third system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staves.

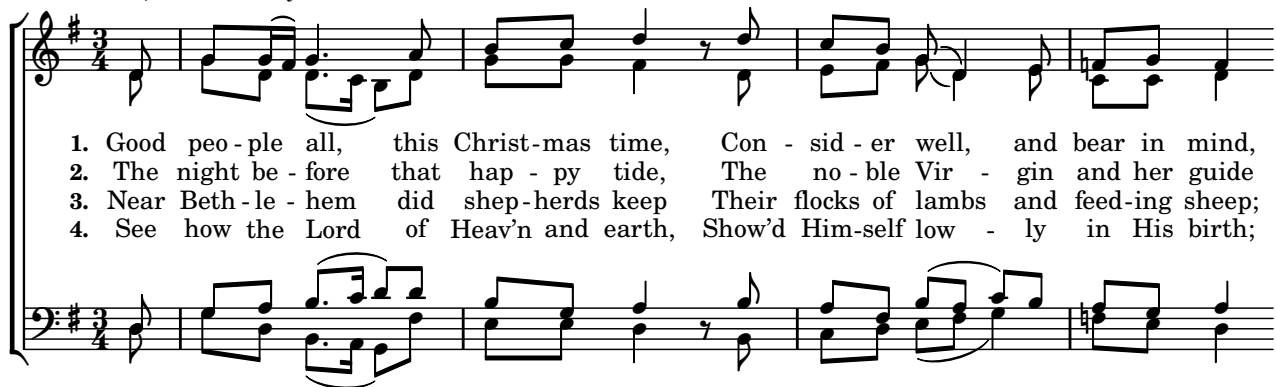
13. ti - dings for Christ - mas and a hap - py New Year!

The fourth system continues the melody and accompaniment. It includes the number '13' at the beginning of the system. The lyrics are written below the staves.

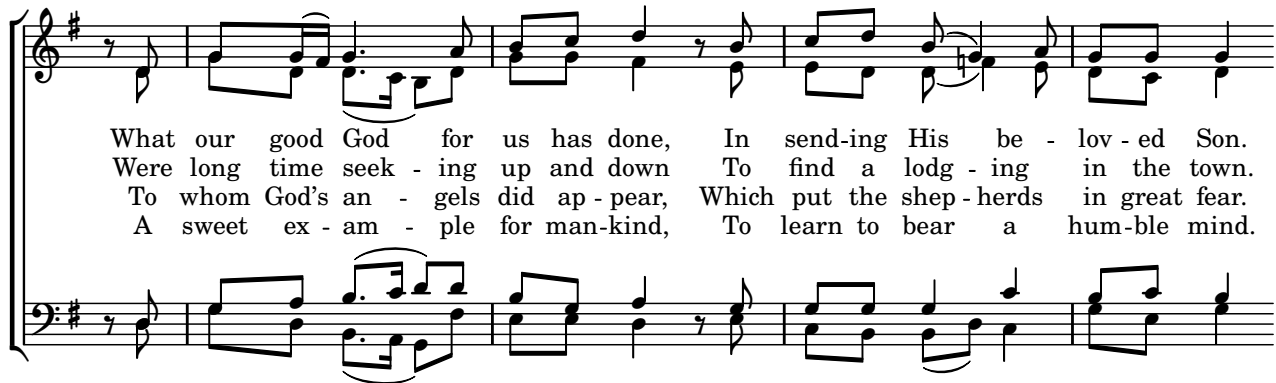
The Wexford Carol

Traditional, 16th Century or earlier

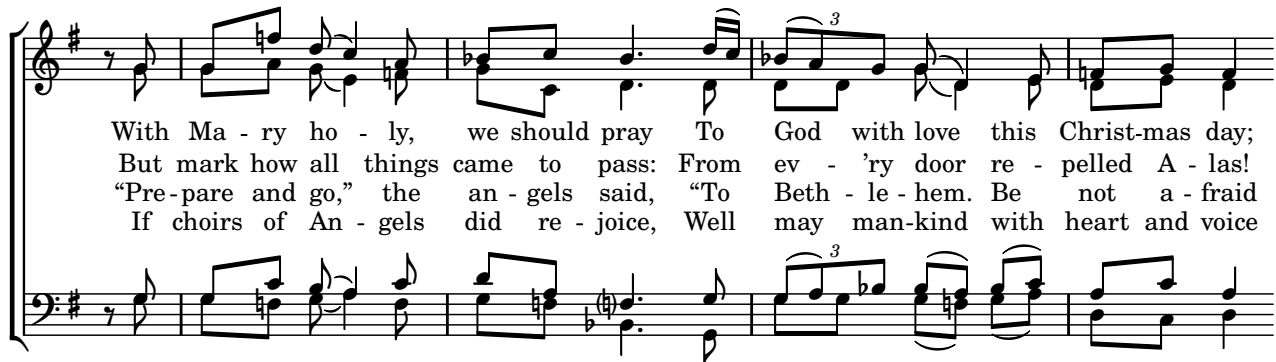
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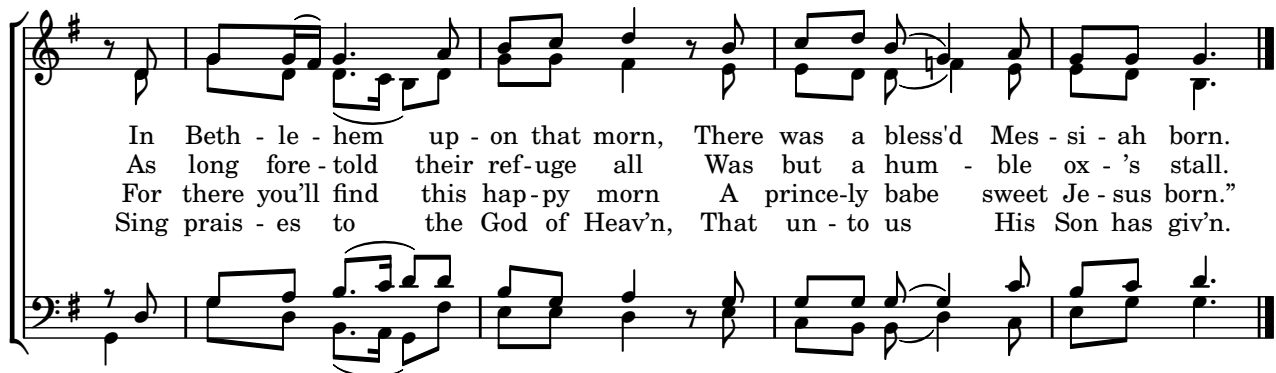
1. Good peo - ple all, this Christ-mas time, Con - sid - er well, and bear in mind,
 2. The night be - fore that hap - py tide, The no - ble Vir - gin and her guide
 3. Near Beth - le - hem did shep - herds keep Their flocks of lambs and feed - ing sheep;
 4. See how the Lord of Heav'n and earth, Show'd Him - self low - ly in His birth;



What our good God for us has done, In send - ing His be - lov - ed Son.
 Were long time seek - ing up and down To find a lodg - ing in the town.
 To whom God's an - gels did ap - pear, Which put the shep - herds in great fear.
 A sweet ex - am - ple for man - kind, To learn to bear a hum - ble mind.



With Ma - ry ho - ly, we should pray To God with love this Christ-mas day;
 But mark how all things came to pass: From ev - 'ry door re - pelled A - las!
 "Pre - pare and go," the an - gels said, "To Beth - le - hem. Be not a - fraid
 If choirs of An - gels did re - joice, Well may man - kind with heart and voice



In Beth - le - hem up - on that morn, There was a bless'd Mes - si - ah born.
 As long fore - told their ref - uge all Was but a hum - ble ox - 's stall.
 For there you'll find this hap - py morn A prince - ly babe sweet Je - sus born."
 Sing prais - es to the God of Heav'n, That un - to us His Son has giv'n.

What Child is This?

William Chatterton Dix (1837 - 1898)

Trad. English Melody

Greensleeves 8.7.8.7 with Refrain

1. What Child is this, Who, laid to rest, On
2. Why lies He in such mean e - state Where
3. So bring Him in - cense, gold, and myrrh, Come

Ma - ry's lap is sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with
ox and ass are feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear: for
pea - sant, king, to own Him; The King of kings sal -

an - thems sweet, While shep - herds watch are keep - ing?
sin - ners here The si - lent Word is plead - ing.
va - tion brings, Let lov - ing hearts en - throne Him.

This, this is Christ the King, Whom shep-herds guard and an - gels sing;

Haste, haste to bring Him laud The Babe, the Son of Ma - ry.

White Christmas

Irving Berlin
arr. Maia McCormick

Schmaltzissimo

I'm dreaming of a white Christmas just like the ones I used to know, where the

tree-tops glisten, and children listen to hear sleigh bells in the snow.

I'm dream-ing of a white Christ-mas with ev-'ry Christ-mas card I

write. May your days be mer-ry and bright, and may

all your Christ-mases be white; and may all your Christ-mases be white.