

05. God Rest You Merry

English traditional carol tune, arr. E.P.

Cheerful, flowing

Soprano
Alto

1. God rest you mer - ry, gent - le - men, let no - thing you dis - may, For

Tenor
Bass

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Je - sus, Christ our Sa - viour was born up - on this day, To save us all from Sa - tan's power when

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we were gone a - stray; O — tid - ings of com - fort and joy, com - fort and

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joy, O — tid - ings of com - fort and joy.

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B

2. In Bethlehem in Jewry
This blessed babe was born,
And laid within a manger
Upon this blessed morn;
The which his mother Mary
Nothing did take in scorn:

3. From God our heavenly Father
A blessed angel came,
And unto certain shepherds
Brought tidings of the same,
How that in Bethlehem was born
The son of God by name:

4. 'Fear not,' then said the angel,
; Let nothing you afright,
This day is born a Saviour
Of virtue, power, and might;
So frequently to vanquish all
The friends of Satan quite:'

7. Now to the Lord sing praises,
All you within this place,
And with true love and brotherhood
Each other now embrace;
This holy tide of Christmas
All others doth deface:

5. The shepherds at those tidings
Rejoiced much in mind,
And left their flocks a-feeding
In tempest, storm and wind,
And went to Bethlehem straightway
This blessed babe to find

6. But when to Bethlehem they came,
Whereat this infant lay,
They found him in a manger
Where oxen feed on hay,
His mother Mary kneeling
Unto the Lord did pray: