



CHRISTMAS CAROLE SING-ALONG

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JOY TO THE WORLD

ANTIOCH

Attr. George Frideric Handel, 1685–1759

Arr. Richard Proulx, 1937–2010

Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.



All: 1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let
Choir: 2. Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let
Choir: 3. No more let sin and sor - row grow, nor
All: 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and



earth re - ceive her king; let ev - 'ry heart pre -
us our songs em - ploy; while fields and floods, rocks,
thorns in - fest the ground; he comes to make his
makes the na - tions prove the glo - ries of his



pare him room and heav'n and na - ture
hills and plains re - peat the sound - ing
bless - ings flow far as the curse is
right - eous - ness, and won - ders of his



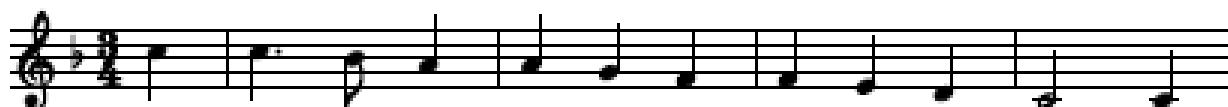
sing, and heav'n and na - ture sing, and
joy, re - peat the sound - ing joy, re -
found, far as the curse is found, far
love, and won - ders of his love, and



heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture. sing.
peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
as, far as the curse is found.
won - ders, won - ders of his love.

AWAY IN A MANGER

MUELLER



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



1. lit - tle Lord Je - sus laid down his sweet head; The
2. lit - tle Lord Je - sus, no cry - ing he makes; I
3. by me for - ev - er, and love me, I pray; Bless



1. stars in the sky ___ looked down where he lay, The
2. love thee, Lord Je - sus! Look down from the sky, And
3. all the dear chil - dren in thy ten - der care, And



1. lit - tle Lord Je - sus, a - sleep on the hay.
2. stay by my cra - dle till morn - ing is nigh.
3. fit us for heav - en to live with thee there.

Text: 11 11 11 11; verses 1-2, *Little Children's Book for Schools and Families*, ca. 1885;
verse 3, *Gabriel's Vineyard Songs*, 1892, alt. Music: attr. to James R. Murray, 1841-1905.

ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

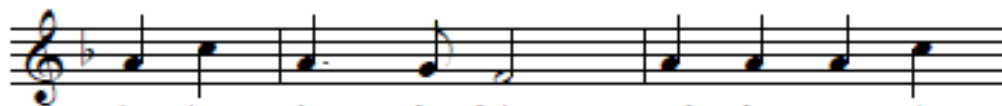
Les anges dans nos campagnes
French carol, ca. 18th c.
Tr. from *Crown of Jesus Music*, London, 1862

GLORIA
French carol
Arr. William Atwood

Verses



1. An - gels we have heard on high sweet - ly
2. Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your
3. Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose
4. See him in a man - ger laid whom the

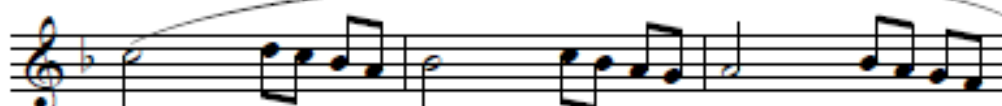


sing - ing o'er the plains, and the moun - tains
joy - ous strains pro - long? Say what may the
birth the an - gels sing; come, a - dore on
choirs of an - gels praise; Mar - y, Jo - seph,



in re - ply ech - o back their joy - ous strains.
tid - ings be which in - spire your heav'n - ly song.
bend - ed knee Christ the Lord, the new - born King.
lend your aid, while our hearts in love we raise.

Refrain



Glo



ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.



Glo



ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

ST. LOUIS



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 - ered all a - bove,
3. How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly, The won - drous gift is giv'n!
4. O ho - ly Child of Beth - le - hem! De - scend to us, we pray;



1. A - bove thy deep and dream - less sleep The si - lent stars go by;
2. While mor - tals sleep, the an - gels keep Their watch of won - d'ring love.
3. So God im - parts to hu - man hearts The bless - ings of his heav'n.
4. Cast out our sin and en - ter in; Be born in us to - day.



1. Yet in thy dark streets shin - eth The ev - er - last - ing Light:
2. O morn - ing stars, to - geth - er Pro - claim the ho - ly birth!
3. No ear may hear his com - ing, But in this world of sin,
4. We hear the Christ - mas an - gels The great glad tid - ings tell;

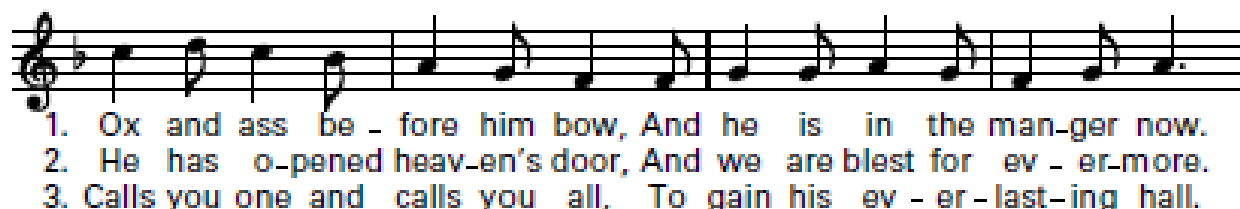
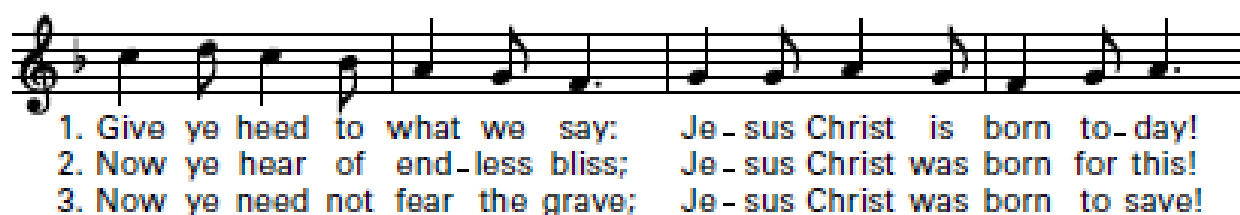
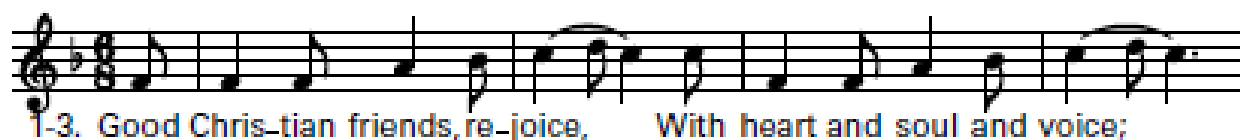


1. The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee to - night.
2. And prais - es sing to God the King, And peace to all on earth.
3. Where meek souls will re - ceive him, still The dear Christ en - ters in.
4. O come to us, a - bide with us, Our Lord Em - man - u - el!

Text: 86 86 76 86; Phillips Brooks, 1835-1893. Music: Lewis H. Redner, 1831-1908.

GOOD CHRISTIAN FRIENDS, REJOICE

IN DULCI JUBILO



Text: 66 77 78 55; Latin and German, 14th cent.; tr. by John M. Neale, 1818-1866, alt.
Music: J. Klug's *Geistliche Lieder*, Wittenberg, 1535.

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly



1. In - fant ho - ly, In - fant low - ly, For his bed a
2. Flocks were sleep - ing: Shep - herds keep - ing Vi - gil till the



cat - tle stall; Ox - en low - ing, Lit - tle know - ing
morn - ing new. Saw the glo - ry, Heard the sto - ry,



Christ the babe is Lord of all. Swift are wing - ing
Tid - ings of a gos - pel true. Thus re - joic - ing,



An - gels sing - ing, No - els ring - ing, Tid - ings bring - ing:
Free from sor - row, Prais - es voic - ing Greet the mor - row:



Christ the babe is Lord of all.
Christ the babe was born for you.

Text: Polish carol; para. by Edith M. G. Reed, 1885-1933

Tune: W ZLOBIE ŁEZY, 44 7 44 7 4444 7; Polish carol; harm. by A. E. Rusbridge, 1917-1969

O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

ADESTE FIDELES

Adeste fideles

John F. Wade, ca. 1711–1786

English tr. Frederick Oakeley, 1802–1880, alt.

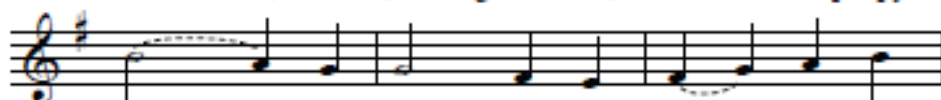
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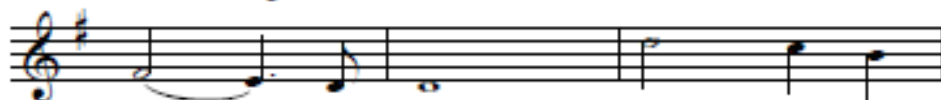
Setting by James Chepponis



1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri -
 1. *Ad - e - ste fi - de - les, lae - ti, tri - um -*
 2. † God of God, Light of
 3. † Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul -
 4. † Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py



um - phant, O come ye, O come ye to
phan - tes, ve - ni - te, ve - ni - te in
 Light, † Lo! He comes forth from the
 ta - tion, † sing, all ye cit - i - zens of
 morn - ing, † Je - sus, to thee be all



Beth - le - hem; come and be -
Beth - le - hem. Na - tum vi -
 Vir - gin's womb. Our ver - y
 heav'n a - bove! Glo - ry to
 glo - ry giv'n; Word of the



hold him, born the King of an - gels;
de - te, Re - gem an - ge - lo - rum.
 God, be - got - ten not cre - at - ed,
 God, all glo - ry in the high - est,
 Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing;



O come, let us a - dore him, O
Ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus, ve -



come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a -
ni - te a - do - re - mus, ve - ni - te a - do -

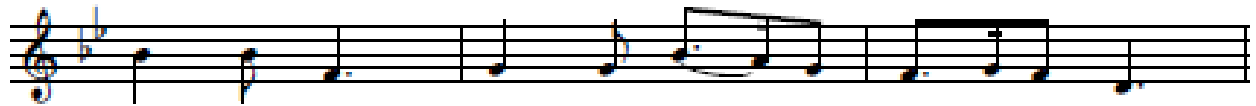


dore him, Christ, the Lord!
re - mus Do - mi - num.

Silent Night, Holy Night



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; Christ, the Sav - ior, is
With the dawn of re - deem - ing grace, Je - sus, Lord, at thy



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

Text: *Stille Nacht, Heilige Nacht*; Joseph Mohr, 1792-1849; tr. John F. Young, 1820-1885
Tune: STILLE NACHT, 66 89 66; Franz X. Gruber, 1787-1863

GOD REST YOU MERRY, GENTLEMEN

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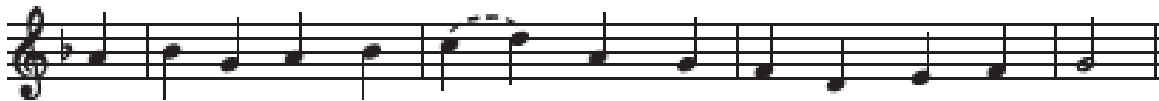
Verses



1. God rest you mer - ry, gen - tle - men, Let noth - ing you dis - may;
2. From God our heav'n - ly Fa - ther A bless - ed an - gel came,
3. "Fear not, then," said the an - gel, "Let noth - ing you af - fright;
4. Now to the Lord sing prais - es, All you with - in this place,



1. Re - mem - ber Christ our Sav - ior Was born on Christ - mas Day
2. And un - to cer - tain shep - herds Brought tid - ings of the same,
3. This day is born a Sav - ior Of Vir - gin pure and bright,
4. And with true love and char - i - ty Each oth - er now em - brace;



1. To save us all from Sa - tan's pow'r When we were gone a - stray.
2. How that in Beth - le - hem was born The Son of God by name.
3. To free all those who trust in him From Sa - tan's pow'r and might."
4. This ho - ly tide of Christ - mas Is filled with heav'n - ly grace.

Refrain



O tid - ings of com - fort and joy, Com - fort and

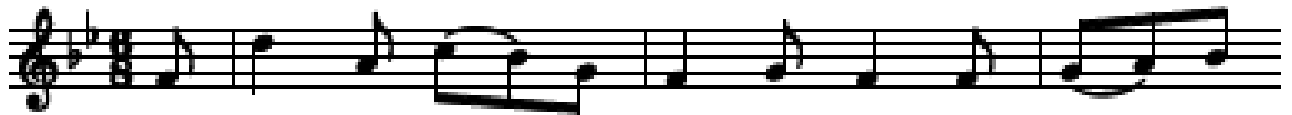


joy; O tid - ings of com - fort and joy.

Text: 86 86 86 with refrain; trad. English carol, 18th cent.
Music: Trad. English carol; melody fr. *Little Book of Christmas Carols*, ca. 1846.

IT CAME UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR

CAROL



1. It came up - on the mid - night clear, That glo - rious
2. Still through the clo - ven skies they come, With peace - ful
3. And ye, be - neath life's crush - ing load, Whose forms are
4. For, lo, the days are has - tening on, By proph - et



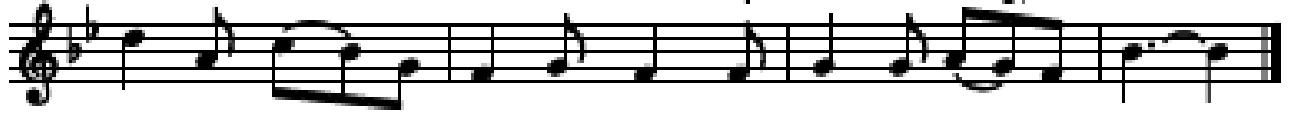
1. song of old, From an - gels bend - ing near the
2. wings un - furled, And still their heav'n - ly mu - sic
3. bend - ing low, Who toil a - long the climb - ing
4. bards fore - told, When with the ev - er - cir - cling



1. earth To touch their harps of gold: "Peace on the earth, good
2. floats O'er all the wea - ry world: A - bove its sad and
3. way With pain - ful steps and slow, Look now! for glad and
4. years Comes 'round the age of gold; When peace shall o - ver



1. will to all From heav'n's all gra - cious King;" The
2. low - ly plains They bend on hov - 'ring wing, And
3. gold - en hours Come swift - ly on the wing: O
4. all the earth Its an - cient splen - dors fling, And

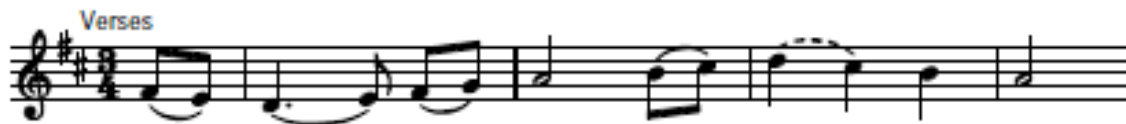


1. world in sol - emn still - ness lay, To hear the an - gels sing.
2. ev - er o'er its Ba - bel sounds The bless - ed an - gels sing.
3. rest be - side the wea - ry road And hear the an - gels sing.
4. all the world give back the song Which now the an - gels sing.

Text: CMD; Edmund H. Sears, 1810-1876, alt. Music: Richard S. Willis, 1819-1900, alt.

THE FIRST NOWELL

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1. The first No - well, the an - gel did say,
2. They look - ed up and saw ___ a star
3. And by the light of that ___ same star
4. This star drew nigh to the ___ north - west,
5. Then en - tered in those wise ___ men three,
6. Then let us all with one ___ ac - cord



1. Was to cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay;
2. Shin - ing in ___ the east, ___ be - yond ___ them far;
3. Three ___ wise ___ men came ___ from coun - try far;
4. O'er ___ Beth - le - hem ___ it took ___ its rest,
5. Full ___ rev - 'rent - ly ___ up - on ___ the knee,
6. Sing ___ prais - es to ___ our heav - 'nly Lord;



1. In fields where _ they lay keep - ing their sheep,
2. And to the ___ earth it gave ___ great light,
3. To seek for a king was their ___ in - tent,
4. And there it ___ did both stop ___ and stay,
5. And of - fered ___ there, in his ___ pres - ence,
6. Who with the ___ Fa - ther we ___ a - dore



1. On a cold win - ter's night ___ that was ___ so deep.
2. And ___ so it con - tin - ued both day ___ and night.
3. And to fol - low the star ___ wher - ev - er it went.
4. Right ___ o - ver the place ___ where Je - sus lay.
5. Their ___ gold ___ and myrrh ___ and frank - in - cense.
6. And ___ Spir - it blest ___ for ev - er - more.



No - well, No - well, No - well, No - well,



Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

What Child Is This



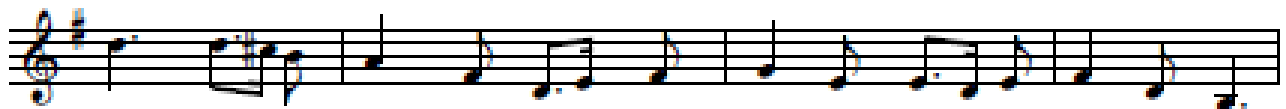
1. What child is this, who, laid to rest, On
2. Why lies he in such mean es - tate Where
3. So bring him in - cense, gold and myrrh, Come



Mar - y's lap is sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with
ox and ass are feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear; for
peas - ant, 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 Mar - y.

Text: William C. Dix, 1827-1898

Tune: GREENSLEEVES, 8 7 8 7 with refrain; English melody, 16th C.; harm. by John Sainer, 1840-1901

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING

MENDELSSOHN

Felix Mendelssohn, 1809–1847

Setting by Robert J. Powell

Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.



1. Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing,
2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored;
3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace!



“Glo - ry to the new - born King! Peace on earth and
Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord! Late in time be -
Hail the Sun of Right - eous - ness! Light and life to



mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!”
hold him come, off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.
all he brings, ris'n with heal - ing in his wings.



Joy - ful, all you na - tions, rise; join the tri - umph
Veiled in flesh the God - head see; hail the in - car - nate
Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no



of the skies; with the an - gel - ic host pro - claim,
De - i - ty, pleased as man with us to dwell,
more may die, born to raise us from the earth,



“Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!” Hark! The her - ald
Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el. Hark! The her - ald
born to give us sec - ond birth. Hark! The her - ald



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