O Come. All Ye Faithful





O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem; Come and behold him, born the King of angels;

> O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above! Glory to God, all glory in the highest;

> O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning, Jesus, to thee be all glory given; Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing;

> O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!

2. AWAY IN A MANGER



Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, The little Lord Jesus laid down his great head. The stars in the bright sky, looked down where he lay,

The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes, But little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes. I love thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky, And stay by my side, until morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask thee to stay, Close by me forever, and love me, I pray. Bless all the dear children, in thy tender care, And fit us for heaven, to live with thee there.



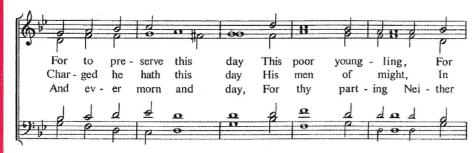
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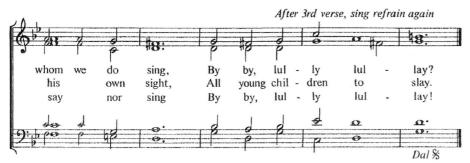
(Second version)

Modern version of tune arranged by MARTIN SHAW









This song is sung by the women of Bethlehem in the play, just before Herod's soldiers come in to slaughter their children.

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Lully, lulla, thou little tiny child, By by, lully lullay.

O sisters too, How may we do For to preserve this day. This poor youngling, For when do we sing, By by, lully lullay?

Lully, Iulla, thou little tiny child, By by, Iully Iullay.

Herod the king, In his raging, Charged he hath this day. His men of might, In his own sight, All young children to slay.

Lully, lulla, thou little tiny child, By by, lully lullay.

That woe is me, Poor child for thee? And ever morn and day, For thy parting, neither say nor sing, By by, lully lullay!

Lully, lulla, thou little tiny child, By by, lully lullay.

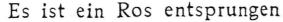
Deck the Hall With Boughs of Holly



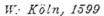
Deck the halls with boughs of holly, Fa, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia.
'Tis the season to be jolly, Fa, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia.
Don we now our gay apparel, Fa, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia.
Troll the ancient Yuletide carol, Fa, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia.

See the blazing Yule before us,
Fa, la, la, la, la, la, la, la.
Strike the harp and join the chorus,
Fa, la, la, la, la, la, la, la.
Follow me in merry measure,
Fa, la, la, la, la, la, la, la.
While I tell of Yuletide treasure,
Fa, la, la, la, la, la, la, la, la.

Fast away the old year passes,
Fa, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia.
Hail the new, ye lads and lasses,
Fa, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia.
Sing we joyous all together,
Fa, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia.
Heedless of the wind and weather,
Fa, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia, Ia.



hat ein Blümlein bracht





mit-tenim kalten Win-ter wohl zu der hal - ben Nacht.

- Das Röslein, das ich meine, davon Jesaias sagt, hat uns gebracht alleine Marie, die reine Magd. Aus Gottes ewgem Rat hat sie ein Kind geboren, welches uns selig macht.
- Das Blümelein so kleine, das duftet uns so süß;
 mit seinem hellen Scheine vertreibts die Finsternis:
 Wahr' Mensch und wahrer Gott,
 hilft uns aus allem Leide, rettet von Sünd und Tod.
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 (Str. 1+2: Köln, 1599/Str. 3: 1853)

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The first Nowell the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they
lay;

In fields where they lay keeping their sheep, On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Nowell, Nowell, Nowell. Born is the King of Israel

They looked up and saw a star
Shining in the east, beyond them far;
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night.

Nowell, Nowell, Nowell. Born is the King of Israel

And by the light of that same start,
Three wise men came from country far;
To see for a king was their intent,
And to follow the start wherever it went.

Nowell, Nowell, Nowell. Born is the King of Israel



Joy to the world! the Lord is come: Let earth receive her King; Let every heart prepare him room, And heaven and nature sing, And heaven and nature sing, And heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! The Savior reigns; Let men their songs employ; While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains Repeat with sounding joy, Repeat with sounding joy, Repeat with sounding joy,

He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the nations prove The glories of his righteousness, And wonders of his love, And wonders of his love, And wonders of his love.



II. GOD REST YOU MERRY, GENTLEMEN

English traditional carol arranged by DAVID WILLCOCKS



* If preferred, the refrain may always be sung in unison (with organ accompaniment)

Unison voices

3. 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:
O tidings of comfort and joy.

Unaccompanied voices

Onaccompanied voices

4. 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:

O tidings of comfort and joy.



God rest you merry gentleman, Let nothing you dismay. For Jesus Christ our Savior Was born upon this day, To save us all from Satan's power When we were gone astray:

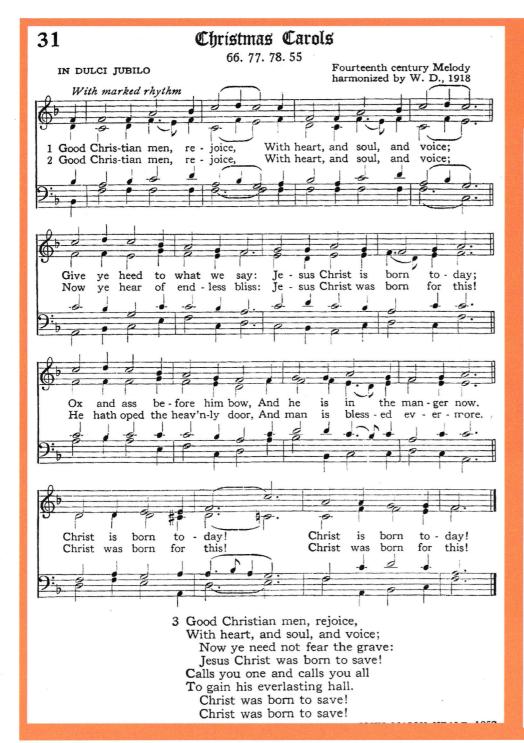
O tidings of comfort and joy, and joy, O tidings of comfort and joy.

From God our heav'nly 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

O tidings of comfort and joy, and joy, O tidings of comfort and joy.

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

O tidings of comfort and joy, and joy, O tidings of comfort and joy.

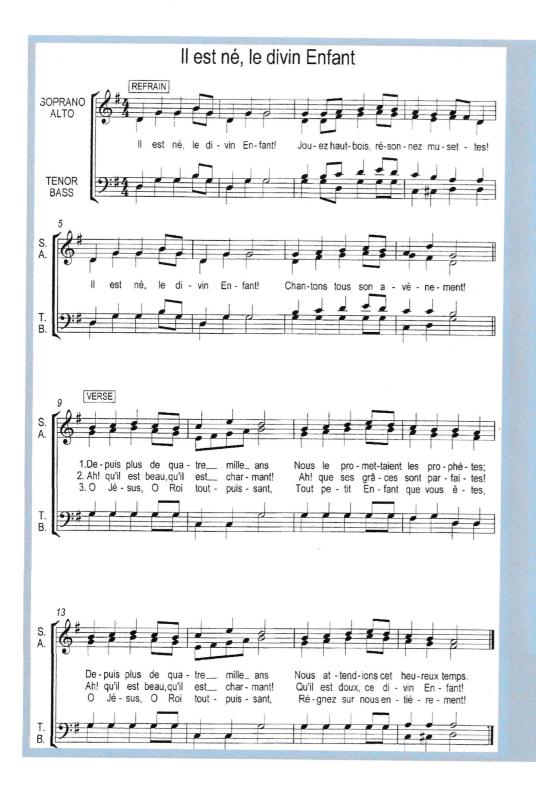


God Christian men, rejoice

Good Christian men rejoice,
With heart, and soul, and voice;
Give ye heed to what we say:
Jesus Christ is born today;
Ox and ass before him bow,
And he is in the manger now.
Christ is born today!
Christ is born today!

Good Christian men rejoice,
With heart, and soul, and voice;
Now you hear of endless bliss:
Jesus Christ was born for this!
He hath opened the heavenly door,
And man is blessed evermore.
Christ was born for this!
Christ was born for this!

Good Christian men rejoice,
With heart, and soul, and voice;
Now ye need not feat the grave:
Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all,
To gain his everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save!
Christ was born to save!



Il est né, le divin Enfant!

Jouez hautbois, résonnez musettes!

Il est né, le divin Enfant!

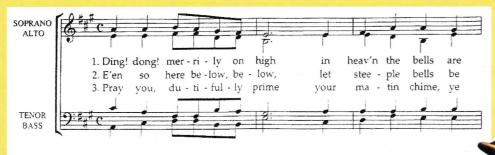
Chantons tous son avènement!

Depuis plus de quatre mille ans Nous le promettaient les prophètes; Depuis plus de quatre mille ans Nous attendions cet heureux temps.

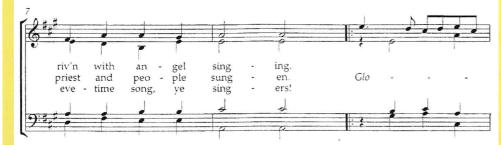
Il est né, le divin Enfant!
Jouez hautbois, résonnez musettes!
Il est né, le divin Enfant!
Chantons tous son avènement!

Ah! qu'il est beau, qu'il est charmant! Ah! que ses grâces sont parfaites! Ah! qu'il est beau, qu'il est charmant! Qu'il est doux, ce divin Enfant!

Il est né, le divin Enfant! Jouez hautbois, résonnez musettes! Il est né, le divin Enfant! Chantons tous son avènement!











Ding! Dong! Merrily On High

Ding! dong! merrily on high
in heav'n the bells are ringing;
Ding! dong! verily the sky
is riv'n with angel singing.

Glo-o-o-oria! Hosana in excelsis! Glo-o-o-oria! Hosana in excelsis!

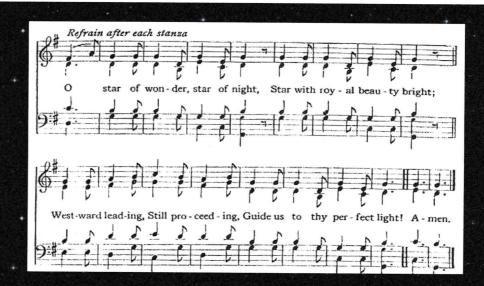
E'en so here below, below, let steeple bells be swungen, and 'ee-o, ee-o, ee-o!' by priest and people sungen.

Glo-o-o-oria! Hosana in excelsis! Glo-o-o-o-oria! Hosana in excelsis!

Pray you, dutifully prime your matin chime, ye ringers! May you beautifully rime your evetime song, ye singers!

Glo-o-o-oria! Hosana in excelsis! Glo-o-o-o-oria! Hosana in excelsis!





We three kings of Orient are, bearing gifts we traverse afar, field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.

O star of wonder, star of night. Star with royal beauty bright; Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to thy perfect light!

Gaspard (solo): Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, Gold I bring to crown him again. King forever, ceasing never. Over us all to reign.

O star of wonder, star of night. Star with royal beauty bright; Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to thy perfect light!

Melchior (solo): Frankincense to offer have I, Incense owns a Deity nigh. Prayer and praising, all men raising, worship him, God on high

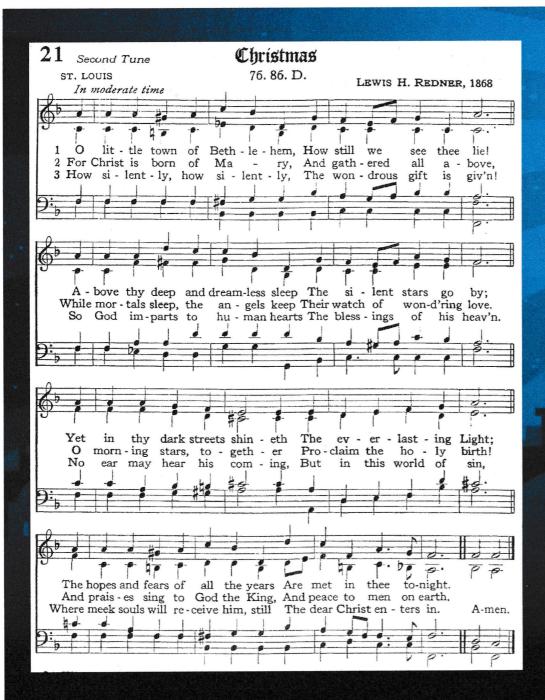
O star of wonder, star of night. Star with royal beauty bright; Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to thy perfect light!

Balthazar (solo): Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume. Breathes a life of gathering gloom; Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying, sealed in the stone-cold tomb.

O star of wonder, star of night. Star with royal beauty bright; Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to thy perfect light!

We three kings of Orient are, bearing gifts we traverse afar, field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.

O star of wonder, star of night. Star with royal beauty bright; Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to thy perfect light!



O Little Town of Bethlehem

O little town of Bethlehem, How still we see thee lie! Above thy deep and dreamless sleep, The silent stars go by;

Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight

For Christ is born of Mary And gathered all above While mortals sleep, the angels keep Their watch of wond'ring love.

O morning stars, together Proclaim the holy birth! And praises sing to God the King, And peace to men on Earth

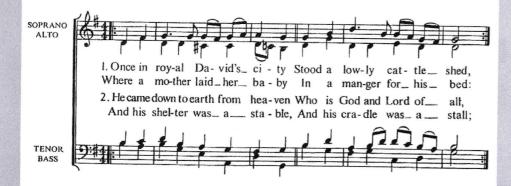
How silently, how silently
The wondrous gift is giv'n!
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of his heav'n.

No ear may hear his coming, But in this world of sin, Where meek souls will receive him, still The dear Christ enters in.

30. ONCE IN ROYAL DAVID'S CITY

Words by C.F. ALEXANDER

H. J. GAUNTLETT harmonized by A. H. MANN





3. And through all his wondrous childhood He would honour and obey, Love and watch the lowly maiden, In whose gentle arms he lay: Christian children all must be Mild, obedient, good as he.



Once in royal David's city, Stood a lowly cattle shed, Where a mother laid her baby, In a manger for his bed Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little child.

He came down to earth from heaven, Who is God and Lord of all,

And his shelter was a stable, And his cradle was a stall With the poor and mean and lowly, Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

And through all his wondrous childhood, He would honour and obey

Love and watch the lowly maiden, In whose gentle arms he lay:

Christian children all must be, Mild, obedient, good as he.