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{1} Angels from the realms of glory **{2} As with gladness men**

Angels from the realms of glory
Wing your flight o'er all the earth
Ye who sang creation's story
Now proclaim Messiah's birth

Come and worship

Christ the newborn King

Come and worship

Worship Christ the newborn King

Shepherds in the fields abiding
Watching o'er your flocks by night
God with man is now residing
Yonder shines the infant-light

Come and worship...

Sages leave your contemplations
Brighter visions beam afar
Seek the great desire of nations
Ye have seen His natal star

Come and worship...

Saints before the altar bending
Watching long in hope and fear
Suddenly the Lord descending
In His temple shall appear

Come and worship...

All creation join in praising
God the Father Spirit Son
Evermore your voices raising
To th'eternal Three in One

Come and worship...

of old

As with gladness men of old
Did the guiding star behold
As with joy they hailed its light
Leading onward beaming bright
So most gracious Lord may we
Evermore be led to Thee

As with joyful steps they sped
To that lowly manger bed
There to bend the knee before
Him whom heav'n and earth adore
So may we with willing feet
Ever seek Thy mercy seat

As their precious gifts they laid
At Thy manger roughly made
So may we with holy joy
Pure and free from sin's alloy
All our costliest treasures bring
Christ to Thee our heav'nly King

Holy Jesu ev'ry day
Keep us in the narrow way
And when earthly things are past
Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide
Where no clouds Thy glory hide

In the heav'nly country bright
Need they no created light
Thou its light its joy its crown
Thou its sun which goes not down
There for ever may we sing
Alleluias to our King

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{3} Away in a Manger

Away in a manger
no crib for a bed
The little Lord Jesus
laid down His sweet 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

{4} Come and join the celebration

***Come and join the celebration
It's a very special day
Come and share our jubilation;
There's a new King born today!***

See, the shepherds
Hurry down to Bethlehem,
Gaze in wonder
At the Son of God who lay
before them

Come and join the celebration...

Wise men journey,
Led to worship by a star
Kneel in homage
Bringing precious gifts from lands afar, so

Come and join the celebration...

"God is with us"
Round the world the message bring
He is with us
"Welcome", all the bells on earth
are pealing

Come and join the celebration...

{5} 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 angels singing

Gloria, hosanna in excelsis!
Gloria hosanna in excelsis!

E'en so here below below
Let steeple bells be swungen
And io io io
By priest and people sungen

Gloria, hosanna in excelsis!
Gloria, hosanna in excelsis!

Pray you dutifully prime
Your matin chime ye ringers
May you beautifully rhyme
Your eve time song ye singers

Gloria, hosanna in excelsis!
Gloria, hosanna in excelsis!

{6} From heaven You came
(The Servant King)

From heaven You came helpless babe
Entered our world Your glory veiled
Not to be served but to serve
And give Your life that we might live

This is our God the Servant King
He calls us now to follow Him
To bring our lives as a daily offering
Of worship to the Servant King

There in the garden of tears
My heavy load He chose to bear
His heart with sorrow was torn
Yet not my will but Yours He said

This is our God the Servant King...

Come see His hands and His feet
The scars that speak of sacrifice
Hands that flung stars into space
To cruel nails surrendered

This is our God the Servant King...

So let us learn how to serve
And in our lives enthrone Him
Each other's needs to prefer
For it is Christ we're serving

This is our God the Servant King
He calls us now to follow Him
To bring our lives as a daily offering
Of worship to the Servant King

{41} We Three Kings

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

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...

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...

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...

Glorious now behold Him arise
King and God and sacrifice
Alleluia alleluia
Peals through the earth and skies

O star of wonder star of night...

{42} While Shepherds Watched

While shepherds watched
Their flocks by night
All seated on the ground
The angel of the Lord came down
And glory shone around

Fear not said he for mighty dread
Had seized their troubled mind
Glad tidings of great joy I bring
To you and all mankind

To you in David's town this day
Is born of David's line
A Saviour who is Christ the Lord
And this shall be the sign

The heavenly babe you there shall find
To human view displayed
All meanly wrapped in swaddling
bands

And in a manger laid

Thus spake the seraph and forthwith
Appeared a shining throng
Of angels praising God who thus
Addressed their joyful song

All glory be to God on high
And on the earth be peace
Goodwill hence forth
From heaven to men
Begin and never cease

{39} Unto us a boy is born

Unto us a boy is born
King of all creation
Came He to a world forlorn
The Lord of every nation
The Lord of every nation

Cradled in a stall was He
With sleepy cows and asses
But the very beasts could see
That He all men surpasses
That He all men surpasses

Herod then with fear was filled
A prince he said in Jewry
All the little boys he killed
At Bethl'hem in his fury
At Bethl'hem in his fury

Now may Mary's Son who came
So long ago to love us
Lead us all with hearts aflame
Unto the joys above us
Unto the joys above us

Alpha and Omega He
Let the organ thunder
While the choir with peals of glee
Doth rend the air asunder
Doth rend the air asunder

{40} Unto us a child is born

Unto us a child is born
Unto us a son is given
He shall reign in all the earth
He will be called Emmanuel!
(repeat)

Angel voices sing, Hallelujahs ring
For today in Bethlehem
The love of God has come to men
The Saviour of the world is
Christ the King!

Unto us a child is born...
(repeat)

Leave your cares aside
Seek and you will find
For today in Bethlehem
The love of God has come to men
The Saviour of the world is Jesus Christ!

Come let us adore
Now and evermore!
For today in Bethlehem
The love of God has come to men
The Saviour of the world is
Christ the Lord!

Unto us a child is born...
(repeat)

{7} God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

1. God rest ye merry gentlemen
Let nothing you dismay
Remember Christ our Saviour
Was born on Christmas Day
To save us all from Satan's pow'r
When we were gone astray

O tidings of comfort and joy
Comfort and joy
O tidings of comfort and joy

2. In Bethlehem in Jewry
This blessed Babe was born
And laid within a manger
Upon this blessed morn
The which His mother Mary
Did nothing take in scorn

O tidings of comfort and joy...

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

O tidings of comfort and joy...

4. Fear not then said the angel
Let nothing you affright
This day is born a Saviour
Of a pure virgin bright

To free all those who trust in Him
From Satan's pow'r and might

O tidings of comfort and joy...

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
The blessed Babe to find

O tidings of comfort and joy...

6. And when they came to Bethlehem
Where our dear Saviour lay
They found Him in a manger
Where oxen feed on hay
His mother Mary kneeling down
Unto the Lord did pray

O tidings of comfort and joy...

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

O tidings of comfort and joy
Comfort and joy
O tidings of comfort and joy

{8} Good Christian Men Rejoice

Good Christian men rejoice
With heart and soul and voice
Give ye heed to what we say
News, news
Jesus Christ is born today
All that gathered before Him bow
And He is in the manger now
Jesus Christ is born today
Christ is born today

Good Christian men rejoice
With heart and soul and voice
Now you hear of endless bliss
Joy, joy
Jesus Christ was born for this
He has opened the heav'nly door
And man is blest for evermore
Jesus Christ was born for this
Christ was born for this

Good Christian men rejoice
With heart and soul and voice
Now ye need not fear the grave
Peace, peace
Jesus Christ was born to save
Calls you one and calls you all
To gain His everlasting hall
Jesus Christ was born to save
Christ was born to save

{9} Good King Wenceslas

1. Good King Wenceslas looked out
On the feast of Stephen
When the snow lay round about
Deep and crisp and even
Brightly shone the moon that night
Though the frost was cruel
When a poor man came in sight
Gath'ring winter fuel

2. Hither page and stand by me
If thou know'st it telling
Yonder peasant who is he
Where and what his dwelling
Sire he lives a good league hence
Underneath the mountain
Right against the forest fence
By Saint Agnes' fountain

3. Bring me flesh and bring me wine
Bring me pine logs hither
Thou and I will see him dine
When we bear them thither
Page and monarch forth they went
Forth they went together
Through the rude wind's wild lament
And the bitter weather

{37} There were shepherds

There were shepherds
living out in the fields,
There were shepherds
looking after their sheep.
When an angel did appear in the sky,
And the glory of God shone around.

***And the angel said to the shepherds
"You mustn't be frightened,
I'm bringing you good news.
In a manger you'll find a baby,
And He is called Jesus Christ,
Messiah, the Lord!"***

There were shepherds
living out in the fields,
There were shepherds
looking after their sheep.
When an angel did appear in the sky,
And the glory of God shone around.

And the angel said to the shepherds... He come from the glory...

There were shepherds
living out in the fields,
There were shepherds
looking after their sheep.
When an angel did appear in the sky,
And the glory of God shone around.
And the glory of God shone around!

{38} The Virgin Mary had a baby boy

The Virgin Mary had a baby boy
The Virgin Mary had a baby boy
The Virgin Mary had a baby boy
And they said that His name was
Jesus

***He come from the glory
He come from the glorious kingdom
He come from the glory
He come from the glorious kingdom
Oh yes believer! Oh yes believer!
He come from the glory
He come from the glorious kingdom***

The angels sang when the
baby was born
The angels sang when the
baby was born
The angels sang
when the baby was born
And proclaimed Him the Saviour Jesus

The wise men saw where the baby
was born
The wise men saw where the baby
was born
The wise men saw where the baby
was born
And they saw that His name was Jesus
He come from the glory...

{35} The First Nowell

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 nowell
Born is the king of Israel

They lookèd 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...

And by the light of that same star
three wise men came from country far;
to seek for a king was their intent,
and to follow the star wherever it went.

Nowell nowell...

This star drew nigh to the north-west:
o'er Bethlehem it took its rest;
and there it did both stop and stay,
right over the place where Jesus lay.

Nowell nowell nowell nowell
Born is the king of Israel

{36} The Holly And The Ivy

The holly and the ivy
When they are both full grown
Of all the trees that are in the wood
The holly bears the crown

The rising of the sun
And the running of the deer
The playing of the merry organ
Sweet singing in the choir

The holly bears a blossom
White as the lily flower
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
To be our sweet Saviour

The rising of the sun...

The holly bears a berry
As red as any blood
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
To do poor sinners good

The rising of the sun...

The holly bears a prickle
As sharp as any thorn
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
On Christmas day in the morn

The rising of the sun...

The holly bears a bark
As bitter as any gall
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
For to redeem us all

The rising of the sun... repeat v1

{10} Go, Tell it on the Mountain

Go tell it on the mountain
Over the hills and everywhere
Go tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born!

While shepherds kept their watching
O'er silent flocks by night
Behold throughout the heavens
There shone a holy light

Go tell it on the mountain
Over the hills and everywhere
Go tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born!

The shepherds feared and trembled
When lo above the earth
Rang out the angel chorus
That hailed the Saviour's birth

Go tell it on the mountain
Over the hills and everywhere
Go tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born!

Down in a lowly manger
The humble Christ was born
And God sent us salvation
That blessed Christmas morn

Go tell it on the mountain
Over the hills and everywhere
Go tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born!

{11} Hark The Herald

Hark the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King
Peace on earth and mercy mild
God and sinners reconciled
Joyful all ye nations rise
Join the triumph of the skies
With th'angelic hosts proclaim
Christ is born in Bethlehem
**Hark the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King!**

Christ by highest heav'n adored
Christ the everlasting Lord
Late in time behold Him come
Offspring of the Virgin's womb
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see
Hail th'incarnate Deity
Pleased as man with men to dwell
Jesus our Emmanuel
**Hark the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King!**

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace
Hail the Sun of Righteousness
Light and life to all He brings
Ris'n with healing in His wings
Mild He lays His glory by
Born that man no more may die
Born to raise the sons of earth
Born to give them second birth
**Hark the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King!**

{12} He is Immanuel

These Christmas preparations
Are not a kind we know
These plans were made in heaven
So many years ago
It's written in the Bible
A story known so well -
Heaven's greatest gift would come
He is Immanuel.

**Hallelujah,
Hear the song of heaven in this place
Hallelujah,
For the love of God has come
to us today.**

The Prophets through the ages,
They told of what they saw
That in the town of David,
A Saviour would be born
It's written in the Bible
A story known so well -
Heaven's greatest gift would come
He is Immanuel.

**Hallelujah,
Hear the song of heaven in this place
Hallelujah,
For the love of God has come
to us today.**
(repeat)

{33} See Him Lying On A Bed Of Straw (Calypso Carol)

See Him lying on a bed of straw
A draughty stable with an open door
Mary cradling the babe she bore
The Prince of glory is His name

**O now carry me to Bethlehem
To see the Lord of love again
Just as poor as was the stable then
The Prince of glory when He came**

Star of silver sweep across the skies
Show where Jesus in the manger lies
Shepherds swiftly from your stupor
rise

To see the Saviour of the world

O now carry me to Bethlehem...

Angels sing again the song you sang
Sing the glory of God's gracious plan
Sing that Beth'lem's little baby can
Be the Saviour of us all

O now carry me to Bethlehem...

Mine are riches from Your poverty
From Your innocence eternity
Mine forgiveness by Your death for me
Child of sorrow for my joy

**O now carry me to Bethlehem...
To see the Lord of love again
Just as poor as was the stable then
The Prince of glory when He came**

{34} Silent Night

Silent night holy night
All is calm
All is bright
'Round yon virgin mother and Child
Holy Infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace
Oh sleep in heavenly peace

Silent night holy night
Shepherds quake
At the sight
Glories stream from heaven afar
Heavenly hosts sing alleluia
Christ the Saviour is born
Christ the Saviour is born

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
Jesus Lord at Thy birth

{32} See Amid The Winter's Snow

1. See amid the winter's snow
Born for us on earth below
See the Lamb of God appears
Promised from eternal years

***Hail thou ever blessed morn
Hail redemption's happy dawn
Sing through all Jerusalem
Christ is born in Bethlehem***

2. Lo within a manger lies
He who built the starry skies
He who throned in height sublime
Sits amid the cherubim

***Hail thou ever blessed morn
Hail redemption's happy dawn
Sing through all Jerusalem
Christ is born in Bethlehem***

3. Say ye holy shepherds say
What your joyful news today
Wherefore have ye left your sheep
On the lonely mountain steep

***Hail thou ever blessed morn
Hail redemption's happy dawn
Sing through all Jerusalem
Christ is born in Bethlehem***

4. As we watched at dead of night
Lo we saw a wondrous light
Angels singing peace on earth
Told us of the Saviour's birth

***Hail thou ever blessed morn
Hail redemption's happy dawn
Sing through all Jerusalem
Christ is born in Bethlehem***

5. Sacred Infant all divine
What a tender love was Thine
Thus to come from highest bliss
Down to such a world as this

***Hail thou ever blessed morn
Hail redemption's happy dawn
Sing through all Jerusalem
Christ is born in Bethlehem***

6. Teach O teach us holy Child
By Thy face so meek and mild
Teach us to resemble Thee
In Thy sweet humility

***Hail thou ever blessed morn
Hail redemption's happy dawn
Sing through all Jerusalem
Christ is born in Bethlehem***

{13} He Shall Reign Forevermore {14} In the bleak midwinter

In the bleak mid-winter
All creation groans
For a world in darkness
Frozen like a stone
Light is breaking
In a stable for a throne

***(And) He shall reign forevermore,
forevermore
He shall reign forevermore, forevermore
Unto us a Child is born
The King of kings and Lord of lords
And He shall reign forevermore
forevermore***

If I were a wise man
I would travel far
If I were a shepherd
I would do my part
But poor as I am
I will give to Him my heart

(And) He shall reign...

Here within a manger lies the One
Who made the starry skies
This baby born for sacrifice
Christ the Messiah
Into our hopes into our fears
The Saviour of the world appears
The promise of eternal years
Christ the Messiah

(And) He shall reign...

In the bleak midwinter
Frosty wind made moan
Earth stood hard as iron
Water like a stone
Snow had fallen snow on snow
Snow on snow
In the bleak midwinter, long ago
Our God heav'n cannot hold Him
Nor earth sustain
Heav'n and earth shall flee away
When He comes to reign
In the bleak midwinter
A stable place sufficed
The Lord God Almighty, Jesus Christ

Angels and archangels
May have gathered there
Cherubim and seraphim
Thronged the air
But His mother only
In her maiden bliss
Worshipped the Beloved
With a kiss

What can I give Him?
Poor as I am
If I were a shepherd
I would bring a lamb
If I were a wise man
I would do my part
But what I can, I give Him
Give my heart

{15} It Came Upon The Midnight Clear

1. It came upon the midnight clear
That glorious song of old
From angels bending near the earth
To touch their harps of gold
Peace on the earth good will to men
From heaven's all gracious King
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing

2. Still thro' the cloven skies they come
With peaceful wings unfurled
And still their heavenly music floats
O'er all the weary world
Above its sad and lowly plains
They bend on hovering wing
And ever o'er its Babel sounds
The blessed angels sing

3. For lo the days are hastening on
By prophet bards foretold
When with the ever-circling years
Comes round the age of gold
When peace shall over all the earth
Its ancient splendors fling
And the whole world give back the song
Which now the angels sing

4. Yet with the woes of sin and strife
The world has suffered long
Beneath the angel strain have rolled
Two thousand years of wrong
And man at war with man hears not
The love song which they bring
O hush the noise ye men of strife
And hear the angels sing

{30} Once In Royal David's City

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 meek and lowly
Lived on earth our Saviour holy

Jesus is our childhood's pattern
Day by day like us He grew
He was little weak and helpless
Tears and smiles like us He knew
And He feels for all our sadness
And He shares in all our gladness

And our eyes at last shall see Him
Through His own redeeming love
For that child so dear and gentle
Is our Lord in heaven above
And He leads His children on
To the place where He has gone

{31} Rejoice with us

Rejoice with us this Christmas,
The Son of God has come.
We've found the Saviour, Jesus,
Given for everyone!
(repeat)

**We're gonna shout out —
to the heavens,
We're gonna reach out —
to the skies
We're gonna jump up —
everybody!
Lift the name of Jesus high!**

Sing out the Christmas story,
Sing out this joyful song.
For love has come from glory,
Given for everyone.
(repeat)

We're gonna shout out....

Rejoice with us this Christmas,
The Son of God has come.
We've found the Saviour,
Jesus,
Given for everyone!
Sing out the Christmas story,
Sing out this joyful song.
For love has come from glory,
Given for everyone!

{28} Off We Go!

Off we go! Let's run to
Bethlehem.

We have heard good news for
everyone.

Off we go! We're running all the way.
Christ the Lord is born for us today!

**Angels came to us tonight,
what a wonder! What a sight!**

Off we go! Let's skip to Bethlehem.
We have heard good news for
everyone.

Off we go! We're skipping all the
way.

Christ the Lord is born for us today!

**Angels came to us tonight,
what a wonder! What a sight!**

Off we go! Let's dance to Bethlehem.
We have heard good news for
everyone.

Off we go! We're dancing all the way.
Christ the Lord is born for us today!

**Angels came to us tonight,
what a wonder! What a sight!**

Off we go! Let's run to Bethlehem.
We have heard good news for
everyone!

{29} On Christmas Night All Christians Sing

On Christmas night all Christians sing
To hear the news the angels bring
On Christmas night all Christians sing
To hear the news the angels bring
News of great joy news of great mirth
News of our merciful Kings birth

Then why should we on earth be so sad
Since our Redeemer made us glad
Then why should we on earth be so sad
Since our Redeemer made us glad
When from our sin He set us free
All for to gain our liberty

When sin departs before His grace
Then life and health come in its place
When sin departs before His grace
Then life and health come in its place
Angels and men with joy may sing
All for to see the new born king

All out of darkness we have light
Which made the angels sing this night
All out of darkness we have light
Which made the angels sing this night
Glory to God and peace to men
Now and for evermore Amen

{16} It was on a starry night

It was on a starry night
When the hills were bright
Earth lay sleeping
Sleeping calm and still
Then in a cattle shed
In a manger bed
A Boy was born
King of all the world

**And all the angels sang for Him
The bells of heaven rang for Him
For a Boy was born — King of all
the world
(REPEAT)**

Soon the shepherds came that way
Where the Baby lay
And were kneeling
Kneeling by His Side
And their hearts believed again
For the peace of men
For a Boy was born
King of all the world

**And all the angels sang for Him
The bells of heaven rang for Him
For a Boy was born — King of all
the world**

**And all the angels sang for Him
The bells of heaven rang for Him
For a Boy was born — King of all
the world!**

{17} Joy To The World

Joy to the world the Lord is come
Let earth receive her King
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room
And heav'n and nature sing
And heav'n and nature sing
And heav'n and heav'n and nature sing

Joy to the earth the Saviour reigns
Let men their songs employ
While fields and floods
Rocks hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat repeat the 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 wonders of His love

**{18} Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee
(Rejoice Rejoice)**

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee
God of glory, Lord of love
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee
Opening to the sun above
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness
Drive the dark of doubt away
Giver of immortal gladness
Fill us with the light of day

***Rejoice, rejoice, our God is here with us
Emmanuel, our God is still with us***

All Thy works with joy surround Thee
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays
Stars and angels sing around Thee
Center of unbroken praise
Ever singing, march we onward
Victors in the midst of strife
Joyful music leads us sunward
In the triumph song of life

***Rejoice, rejoice, our God is here with us
Emmanuel, our God is still with us***

***Rejoice, rejoice, our God is here with us
Emmanuel, our God is still with us***

{19} Like a candle flame

Like a candle flame
Flick'ring small
In our darkness
Uncreated light
Shines through infant eyes

God is with us Alleluia

(Men - Women Echo)

Come to save us Alleluia

(Men - Women Echo)

Alleluia (all)

Stars and angels sing
Yet the earth
Sleeps in shadows
Can this tiny spark
Set a world on fire

God is with us Alleluia...

Yet His light shall shine
From our lives
Spirit blazing
As we touch the flame
Of His holy fire

God is with us Alleluia

(Men - Women Echo)

Come to save us Alleluia

(Men - Women Echo)

Alleluia (all)

{27} O Little Town Of Bethlehem

1. 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

2. For Christ is born of Mary
And gathered all above
While mortals sleep
The angels keep their watch of
wondering love
O morning stars together
Proclaim the holy birth
And praises sing to God the King
And peace to men on earth

3. How silently how silently
The wondrous gift is given
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of His heaven
No ear may hear His coming
But in this world of sin
Where meek souls will receive Him still
The dear Christ enters in

4. O holy Child of Bethlehem
Descend to us we pray
Cast out our sin and enter in
Be born in us today
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell
O come to us abide with us
Our Lord Emmanuel!

{26} O Holy Night

1. O holy night the stars are brightly shining
It is the night of our dear Saviour's birth
Long lay the world in sin and error pining
Till He appeared and the soul felt its worth
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn

Fall on your knees
O hear the angel voices
O night divine
O night, when Christ was born
O night, divine
O night, O night divine

2. Led by the light of faith serenely beaming
With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand
So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming
Here came the wise men from Orient land
The King of kings lay thus in lowly manger
In all our trials born to be our Friend

He knows our need
To our weakness is no stranger
Behold your King
Before Him lowly bend
Behold your King
Before Him lowly bend

3. Truly He taught us to love one another
His law is love and His gospel is peace
Chains shall He break for the slave is our brother
And in His name all oppression shall cease
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we
Let all within us praise His holy name

Christ is the Lord
O praise His name forever
His power and glory
Evermore proclaim
His power and glory
Evermore proclaim

{20} Little Donkey

Little donkey, little donkey
on the dusty road
Got to keep on plodding onwards
with your precious load
Been a long time, little donkey,
through the winters night
don't give up now, little donkey,
Bethlehem's in sight

Ring out those bells tonight
Bethlehem, Bethlehem
Follow that star tonight
Bethlehem, Bethlehem

Little donkey, little donkey,
had a heavy day
Little donkey, carry Mary,
safely on her way
Little donkey, little donkey,
journey's end is near
There are wisemen waiting for a
sign to bring them here
Do not falter little donkey,
there's a star ahead
It will guide you, little donkey,
to a cattle shed

Ring out those bells tonight...

Little donkey, little donkey,
had a heavy day
Little donkey, carry Mary,
safely on her way
Little donkey, carry Mary,
safely on her way!

{21} Little Drummer Boy

Come they told me, pa rum pum pum pum
A new born King to see, pa rum pum pum pum
Our finest gifts we bring, pa rum pum pum pum
To lay before the King, pa rum pum pum pum
So to honor Him, pa rum pum pum pum.
When we come.

Little Baby, pa rum pum pum pum
I am a poor boy too, pa rum pum pum pum
I have no gift to bring, pa rum pum pum pum
That's fit to give the King, pa rum pum pum pum
Shall I play for you, pa rum pum pum pum.
On my drum?

Mary nodded, pa rum pum pum pum
The ox and lamb kept time, pa rum pum pum pum
I played my drum for Him, pa rum pum pum pum
I played my best for Him, pa rum pum pum pum
Then He smiled at me, pa rum pum pum pum.
Me and my drum.

**{22} Love came down at
Christmas**

Love came down at Christmas
Love all lovely love divine
Love was born at Christmas
Star and angels gave the sign

Worship we the Godhead
Love incarnate love divine
Worship we our Jesus
But wherewith for sacred sign

Love shall be our token
Love be yours and love be mine
Love to God and all men
Love for plea and gift and sign

{23} Mary's Boy Child

Long time ago in Bethlehem
So the Holy Bible says
Mary's boy child, Jesus Christ
Was born on Christmas day!

***Hark now hear, the angels sing
A king was born today!
And man will live forevermore
Because of Christmas day!***

While shepherds watch their flocks by night
They see a bright new shining star
They hear a choir sing a song
The music seemed to come from afar

***Hark now hear, the angels sing
A king was born today!
And man will live forevermore
Because of Christmas day!***

Now Joseph and his wife Mary
Came to Bethlehem that night
They found no place to bear her child
Not a single room was in sight.

***Hark now hear, the angels sing
A king was born today!
And man will live forevermore
Because of Christmas day!***

And then they found a little nook
In a stable all forlorn
And in a manger cold and dark
Mary's little boy was born.

Hark now hear, the angels sing...

{24} 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***

God of God
Light of light
Lo He abhors not the virgin's womb
Very God
Begotten not created

O come let us adore Him...

Sing choirs of angels
Sing in exultation
Sing all ye citizens of heaven above
Glory to God
In the highest

O come let us adore Him...

(On Christmas Day)

Yea Lord we greet Thee
Born this happy morning
Jesus to Thee be glory given
Word of the Father
Now in flesh appearing

O come let us adore Him...

{25} O Come O Come Emmanuel

O come O come Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear

***Rejoice, rejoice Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel***

O come Thou Dayspring
come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine advent here
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night
And death's dark shadows put to flight

***Rejoice, rejoice Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel***

O come Desire of nations bind
All peoples in one heart and mind
Bid envy strife and quarrels cease
Fill the whole world with heaven's peace

***Rejoice, rejoice Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel***