

Angels We Have Heard on High

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Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests.

Luke 2:14

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 strains 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 back their joy - ous strains.
 Say what may the tid - ings be, which in - spire your heav'n - ly song?
 come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ the Lord, the new - born King.

REFRAIN

Glo - - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o,

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

Traditional French carol

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Traditional French melody
Arr. by Edward S. Barnes, 1937

Psalm 98:1-4

1. O sing a new song to the LORD For
 2. The great salvation wrought by Him Je-
 3. He mindful of His grace and truth To
 4. O all the earth, sing to the LORD And

won-ders He has done, For won - ders He has
 ho - vah has made known, Je - ho - vah has made
 Is - rael's house has been, To Is - rael's house has
 make a joy - ful sound, And make a joy - ful

done, His right hand and His ho - ly arm
 known. His jus - tice in the na - tions' sight
 been. The great sal - va - tion of our God
 sound. Lift up your voice a - loud to Him;

The vic - to - ry have won,
 The Lord has clear - ly shown,
 All ends of earth have seen,
 Sing psalms! Let joy re - sound!

The vic - to - ry have won,
 The Lord has clear -
 All ends of earth
 Sing psalms! Let joy

The vic - to - ry
The Lord has of clear earth
All ends psalms! Let joy
Sing

have won, The vic - to - ry
have seen, The Lord has of clear earth
re - sound! Sing psalms! Let joy

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The First Noel

1. The first No - el, the an- gel did say, Was to cer-tain poor
2. And by the light of a great star Came wise men
3. The star drew nigh to the north- west, O'er Beth - le-
4. Then they who the great star did see Fell rev' - rent
5. Then let us all with one ac - cord Sing prai - ses

shep-herds in fields where they lay; In fields where they lay -
from a coun - try far; To seek for a king was -
hem it took its rest; And there it did both
ly up - on their knee, And of - fered there in -
to our heav'n - ly Lord, That hath made heav'n and -

keep-ing their sheep, On a cold win-ter's night that was so deep.
their in - tent, And to fol - low the star wher - e - ver it went.
stop - and stay, Right o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.
His pre - sence Their gold, and myrrh, and frank - in - cense.
earth of naught, And with His blood man - kind hath bought.

No - el, no - el, no - el, no - el:

Born is the King of Is - ra - el!

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God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen

Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.
Luke 2:10

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. The shep - herds at those tid - ings re - joic - ed much in mind,

re - mem - ber Christ our Sav - ior was born on Christ - mas day,
 and un - to cer - tain shep - herds brought tid - ings of the same:
 this day is born a Sav - ior of a pure vir - gin bright,
 and left their flocks a - feed - ing, in tem - pest, storm, and wind:

to save us all from Sa - tan's pow'r when we were gone a - stray;
 how that in Beth - le - hem was born the Son of God by name.
 to free all those who trust in him from Sa - tan's pow'r and might."
 and went to Beth - le - hem straight - way, the Son of God to find.

REFRAIN

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

HIS BIRTH

O tid - ings of com - fort and joy.

English carol, 18th cent.

GOD REST YOU MERRY 8.6.8.6.8.6.ref.
English melody, 18th cent.

Psalm 125

1. ¹Like Zi - on's moun - tain shall they be
 2. ²As all a - round Je - ru - sa - lem
 3. ³Up on the land of right - eous ones
 4. ⁴O LORD, to those men who are good
 5. ⁵Yet shall the LORD drive out all those

Who in the LORD con - fide,
 The moun - tains firm - ly stand,
 No e - vil rule shall press,
 Show Your - self good kind,
 In crook - ed ways and dwell,

A mount which ne - ver can be moved
 The LORD for e - ver - more sur - rounds
 Lest right - eous men put forth their hands
 And like - wise show Your good - ness to
 A - long with all who prac - tice sin;

But e - ver shall a - bide.
 The peo - ple of His hand,
 To work un - right - eous - ness.
 All them of up - right - mind.
 But peace on Is - ra - el!

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Gentle Mary Laid Her Child

She gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger. Luke 2:7

1. Gen - tle Mar - y laid her child low - ly in a man - ger;
 2. An - gels sang a - bout his birth, wise men sought and found him;
 3. Gen - tle Mar - y laid her child low - ly in a man - ger;

there he lay, the Un - de - filed, to the world a strang - er.
 heav - en's star shone bright - ly forth, glo - ry all a - round him.
 he is still the Un - de - filed, but no more a strang - er.

Such a babe in such a place, can he be the Sav - ior?
 Shep - herds saw the won - drous sight, heard the an - gels sing - ing;
 Son of God of hum - ble birth, beau - ti - ful the sto - ry;

Ask the saved of all the race who have found his fa - vor.
 all the plains were lit that night, all the hills were ring - ing.
 praise his name in all the earth, hail the King of glo - ry!

Joseph Simpson Cook, 1919

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