

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Luke 2:11-15; John 1:14

Latin, 18th century; attrib. to John Francis Wade
Transl. Frederick Oakeley, 1841, and others; alt.

1 A - des - te, fi - de - les, lae - ti tri - um - phan - tes; ve -
 1 O come, all you faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
 2 God of true God . . . Light of true Light . . .
 3 Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
 4 A - men, Lord, we greet you, born this hap - py morn - ing;

ni - te, ve - ni - te in Beth - le - hem.
 come now, O come now to Beth - le - hem.
 born of the Vir - gin's womb in hu - man form;
 sing, all you mes - sen - gers of heaven - ly love:
 Je - sus to you shall all glo - ry be given;

Na - tum vi - de - te Re - gem an - ge - lo - rum.
 Come and be - hold the rul - er of all an - gels:
 Tru - ly our God, be - got - ten, not cre - at - ed:
 "Glo - ry to God, all glo - ry in the high - est":
 Word of our God . . . now in flesh ap - pear - ing:

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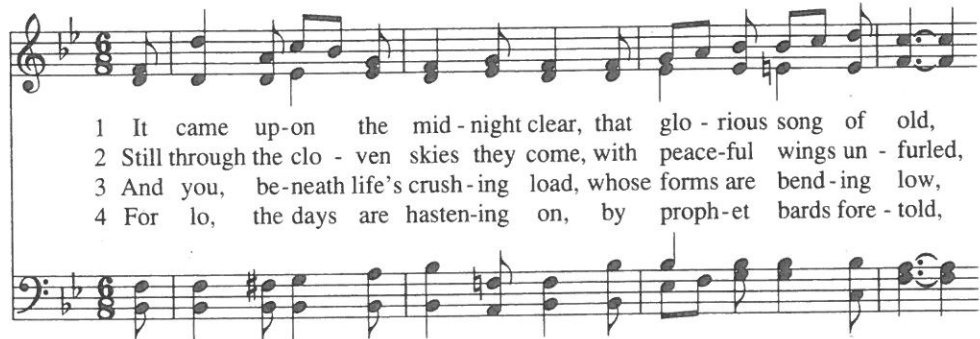
Ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus, ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus,
 O come in ad - o - ra - tion, O come in ad - o - ra - tion,

ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus, Do - mi - num.
 O come in ad - o - ra - tion: Christ is Lord!

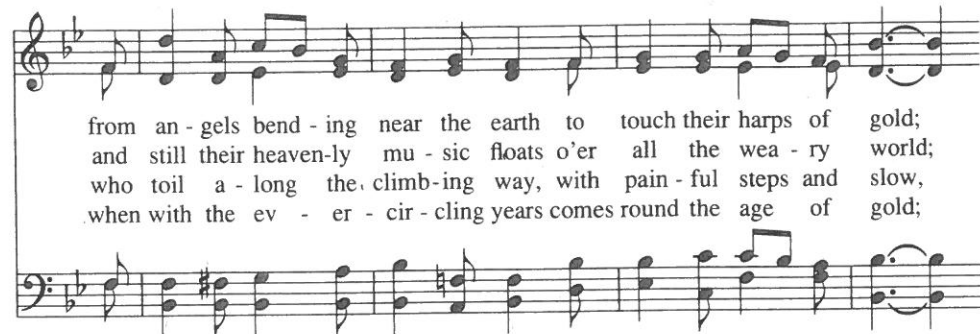
It Came upon the Midnight Clear

Luke 2:8-14

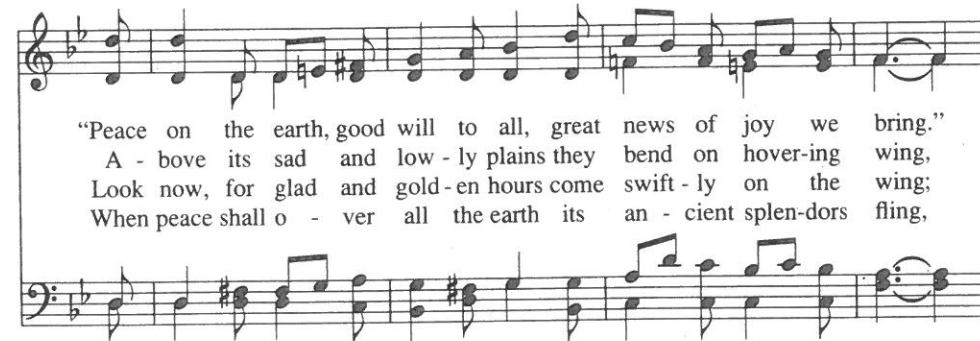
Edmund H. Sears, 1849; alt.



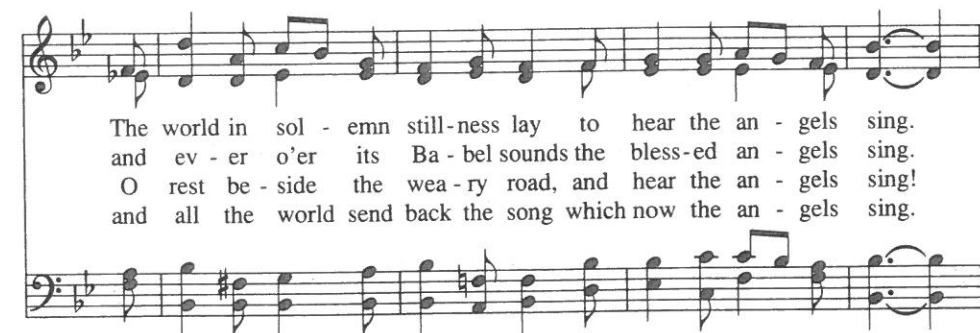
1 It came up-on the mid - night clear, that glo - rious song of old,
 2 Still through the clo - ven skies they come, with peace-ful wings un - furled,
 3 And you, be-neath life's crush - ing load, whose forms are bend - ing low,
 4 For lo, the days are hasten - ing on, by proph - et bards fore - told,



from an - gels bend - ing near the earth to touch their harps of gold;
 and still their heaven - ly mu - sic floats o'er all the wea - ry world;
 who toil a - long the climb - ing way, with pain - ful steps and slow,
 when with the ev - er - cir - cling years comes round the age of gold;



"Peace on the earth, good will to all, great news of joy we bring."
 A - bove its sad and low - ly plains they bend on hover - ing wing,
 Look now, for glad and gold - en hours come swift - ly on the wing;
 When peace shall o - ver all the earth its an - cient splen - dors fling,



The world in sol - emn still - ness lay to hear the an - gels sing.
 and ev - er o'er its Ba - bel sounds the bless - ed an - gels sing.
 O rest be - side the wea - ry road, and hear the an - gels sing!
 and all the world send back the song which now the an - gels sing.

Edmund Sears, a Unitarian minister who served a number of congregations in the Boston area, wrote this Christmas hymn emphasizing the social implications of the Gospel for his congregation at Wayland, Massachusetts.

Tune: CAROL C.M.D.
 Richard S. Willis, 1850

Silent Night, Holy Night

Joseph Mohr, 1818

Transl. John F. Young, c. 1863; alt.

Luke 2:1-20

1 Si - lent night, ho - ly night, all is calm, all is bright
 2 Si - lent night, ho - ly night, shep-herds quake at the sight,
 3 Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Child of God, love's pure light,

Round you vir - gin moth-er and child. Ho - ly in - fant so ten - der and mild,
 Glo - ries stream from heav-en a - far, heav-en-ly hosts sing Al - le - lu - ia;
 Ra - diant beams from your ho-ly face bring the dawn of re - deem - ing grace;

Sleep in heav-en-ly peace, sleep in heav-en-ly peace.
 Christ the Sav - ior is born, Christ the Sav - ior is born.
 Je - sus Christ at your birth, Je - sus Christ at your birth.

Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come

Isaac Watts, 1719; alt.

Ps. 98:4-9; Luke 2:11-15

1 Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth its
 2 Joy to the earth! the Sav - ior reigns! Let all their
 3 Christ rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the

prais - es bring; Let ev - ery heart pre - pare Christ room,
 songs em - ploy; While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
 na - tions prove The glo - ries of God's righ - teous - ness

and heaven and na - ture sing, and heaven and na - ture
 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
 and won - ders of God's love, and won - ders of God's

and heaven and na - ture sing, and
 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re -
 and won - ders of God's love, and

sing, and heaven, and heaven and na - ture sing.
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of God's love.

heaven and na - ture sing,
 peat the sound - ing joy,
 won - ders of God's love,