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# LYRICS

# 1. AWAY IN A MANGER

Away in a manger, no crib for his 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 poor baby wakes But little Lord Jesus no crying he makes I love Thee, Lord Jesus look down from the sky And stay by my side, 'til 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 take us to heaven to live with thee there

#### 2. DECK THE HALL

Deck the hall with boughs of holly, fa la la la la, la la la la Tis the season to be jolly, fa la la la, la la la la

Don we now our gay apparel, fa la la, la la la, la la la Troll the ancient Yule tide carol, fa la la la la, la la la la

See the blazing Yule before us, fa la la la la, la la la la Strike the harp and join the chorus, fa la la la la, la la la la

Follow me in merry measure, fa la la la la, la la la la While I tell of Yule tide treasure, fa la la la la, la la la la

Fast away the old year passes, fa la la la la, la la la la Hail the new, ye lads and lasses, fa la la la la, la la la la

Sing we joyous, all together, fa la la la la, la la la la Heedless of the wind and weather, fa la la la la, la la la la

### 3. GREENSLEEVES (What Child Is This?)

What Child is this who, laid to rest, on Mary's lap is sleeping? Whom angels greet with anthems sweet While shepherds watch are keeping? This, this is Christ the king Whom shepherds guard and angels sing Haste, haste, to bring him laud; The babe, the son of Mary!

Why lies he in such mean estate Where ox and ass are feeding? Good Christian, fear, for sinners here The silent Word is pleading Nails, spear shall pierce him through The Cross be borne for me, for you Hail, hail the Word made flesh, the babe, the son of Mary!

So bring him incense, gold and myrrh Come peasant, king to own him The King of kings salvation brings Let loving hearts enthrone him Raise, raise, the song on high; the virgin sings her lullaby Joy, joy, for Christ is born; The babe, the son of Mary!

# 4. GOD REST YE MERRY GENTLEMAN

God rest ye merry gentlemen, let nothing you dismay Remember Christ our Savior was born on Christmas Day To save us all from Satan's power when we were gone astray

#### Refrain

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

In Bethlehem, in Israel, this blessèd babe was born And laid within a manger upon this blessèd morn The which his mother Mary did nothing take in scorn 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 "Fear not, then," said the angel, "Let nothing you afright This day is born a Savior of a pure virgin bright To free all those who trust in him from Satan's power and might."

The shepherds at those tidings rejoiced much in mind And left their flocks a-feeding in tempest, storm and wind And went to Bethl'em straightaway this blessèd babe to find But when to Bethlehem they came where our dear savior lay, They found him in a manger where oxen feed on hay His mother Mary kneeling unto the Lord did pray

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

God bless the ruler of this house, and send him long to reign And many a merry Christmas may live to see again Among your friends and kindred that live both far and near

That God send you a happy new year, happy new year, And God send you a happy new year.

#### 5. GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN Refrain

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 low above the earth, rang out the angels chorus That hailed our Savior's birth

While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night Behold, throughout the heavens there shone a holy light

And lo! When they had heard it, they all bowed down to pray Then travelled on together to where the Baby lay

Down in a lowly manger, the humble Christ was born And God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn

### 6. HARK THE HERALD ANGELS SING

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 the angelic host 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 a Virgin's womb Veiled in flesh the Godhead see. Hail the incarnate Deity Pleased as man with man 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 son 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!"

### 7. IT CAME UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR

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, goodwill to men From heaven's all-gracious King"

# LYRICS (cont.)

The world in solemn stillness lay to hear the angels sing

Still through 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

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

And ye, beneath life's crushing load

Whose forms are bending low

Who toil along the climbing way with painful steps and slow Look now!

For glad and golden hours come swiftly on the wing O rest beside the weary road, and hear the angels sing!

For lo! The days are hastening on, by prophet seen of old When with the ever-encircling years Shall come the time foretold When peace shall over all the earth Its ancient splendors fling And the whole world send back the song Which now the angels sing

#### 8. JINGLE BELLS

Dashing through the snow in a one horse open sleigh O'er the fields we go laughing all the way Bells on bob tails ring making spirits bright What fun it is to laugh and sing a sleighing song tonight

#### Refrain

Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way; Oh, what fun (joy) it is to ride in a one-horse open sleigh

A day or two ago, I thought I'd take a ride And soon Miss Fanny Bright was seated by my side The horse was lean and lank misfortune seemed his lot He got into a drifted bank and then we got upsot

A day or two ago, the story I must tell I went out on the snow, and on my back I fell A gent was riding by in a one-horse open sleigh He laughed as there I sprawling lie, but quickly drove away

Now the ground is white go it while you're young Take the girls tonight and sing this sleighing song Just get a bob tailed bay; two forty as (for) his speed (and) Hitch him to an open sleigh and crack! You'll take the lead

#### 9. JOY TO THE WORLD

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 heaven, and nature sing

Joy to the world! 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

No more let sins and sorrows grow

Nor thorns infest the ground He comes to make his blessings flow Far as the curse is found Far as the curse is found Far as, far as, the curse is found

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

#### 10. 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

O sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation Sing all that hear in heaven God's holy word Give to our father 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

All hail! Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning O Jesus! For evermore be thy name adored 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

### 11. 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 wondering 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 given! So God imparts to human hearts, the blessings of his heaven No ear may his his coming, but in this world of sin Where meek souls will receive him still The dear Christ enters in

O holy child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray Cast out our sin and enter in, be born to us today We hear the Christmas angels, the great glad tidings tell O come to us, abide with us; our Lord Emmanuel

### 12. 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, sleep in heavenly peace

Silent night, holy night. Shepherds quake at the sight Glories stream from heaven afar Heav'nly 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

# LYRICS (cont.)

#### **13. THE FIRST NOEL**

The first Noel, the angels 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. Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel. 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 Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel. Born is the king of Israel!

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 Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel. Born is the king of Israel!

This star drew nigh to the northwest O'er Bethlehem it took its rest And there it did both pause and stay Right o'er the place where Jesus lay Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel. Born is the king of Israel!

Then entered in those wise men three Full reverently upon their knee And offered there in his presence Their gold and myrrh and frankincense. Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel. Born is the king of Israel!

Then let us all with one accord Sing praises to our heavenly Lord That hath made heaven and earth of nought And with his blood mankind has bought Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel. Born is the king of Israel!

#### 14. UP ON THE HOUSETOP

Up on the housetop, reindeer pause Out jumps good ol' Santa Claus Down through the chimney with lots of toys All for the little ones, Christmas joys Ho, Ho, Ho! Who wouldn't go? Ho, Ho, Ho! Who wouldn't go? Up on the housetop, click, click, click Down through the chimney with good Saint Nick

First comes the stocking of little Nell Oh, dear Santa, fill it well Give her a dolly that laughs and cries One that will open and shut her eyes Ho, Ho, Ho! Who wouldn't go? Ho, Ho, Ho! Who wouldn't go? Up on the housetop, click, click, click Down through the chimney with good Saint Nick

Next comes the stocking of little Will Oh, just see what a glorious fill Here is a hammer and lots of tacks Also a ball and a whip that cracks Ho, Ho, Ho! Who wouldn't go? Ho, Ho, Ho! Who wouldn't go? Up on the housetop, click, click, click Down through the chimney with good Saint Nick

#### **15. WE THREE KINGS**

We three kings of Orient are Bearing gifts we traverse afar Field and fountain, moor and mountain; Following yonder star

#### Refrain

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 rein

Frankincense to offer have I; Incense owns a Deity nigh Pray'r and praising, all men raising Worship him, God most high

Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume Breathes of life of gathering gloom Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying Sealed in the stone-cold tomb

Glorious now behold Him arise King and God and sacrifice Alleluia, Alleluia; Earth to heav'n replies

#### 16. WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS

We wish you a Merry Christmas We wish you a Merry Christmas We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Good tidings we bring to you and your kin Good tidings for Christmas and a Happy New Year

Oh, bring us a figgy pudding Oh, bring us a figgy pudding Oh, bring us a figgy pudding and a cup of good cheer

We won't go until we get some We won't go until we get some We won't go until we get some, so bring some out here

We wish you a Merry Christmas We wish you a Merry Christmas We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

#### 17. AULD LANG SYNE

Should auld acquaintance be forgot And never brought to mind? Should auld acquaintance be forgot And auld lang syne?

#### Refrain

For auld lang syne, my dear; For auld lang syne We'll take a cup o' kindness yet for auld lang syne

And surely ye'll be your pint-stowp! And surely I'll be mine! And we'll take a cup o' kindness yet For auld lang syne.

We twa hae run about the braes And pou'd the gowans fine We've wandered mony a weary foot, sin' auld lang syne

We twa hae sported I' the burn From morning sun till dine But seas between us braid hae roared sin' auld lang syne

And ther's a hand, my trusty friend And gie's a hand o' thine We'll tak' a right good willie-waught, for auld lang syne

# 1. Away In A Manger



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# 2. Deck The Hall







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3. Greensleeves



(What Child Is This?)



After 4th chorus vamp out on Interlude at letter J.

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4. God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen









