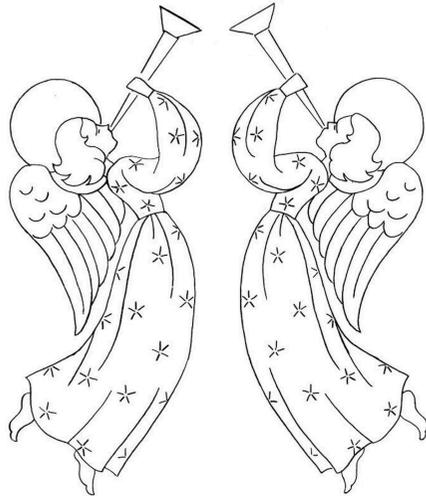


Angels We Have Heard on High

Please turn to Hymn No. 142
of the Seventh-day Adventist Hymnal

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*Congregational
singing*



Luke 2:1-4 (NIV)

The Birth of Jesus

Reader

2 In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. ²(This was the first census that took place while ^[a]Quirinius was governor of Syria.) ³And everyone went to their own town to register.

⁴So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David.

O Little Town of Bethlehem, CCL 83789

V1

Singer

**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.**

V2

*Congregational
singing*

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.

V3

Singer

**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.**

V4

*Congregational
singing*

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 --
Oh, come to us, abide with us, our Lord Immanuel!

Luke 2:5-7 (NIV)

Reader ⁵ He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. ⁶ While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, ⁷ and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

Silent Night, Holy Night, CCL 83789

V1

Singer **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.**

V2

Congregational singing Silent night, holy night, darkness flies, all is light;
Shepherds hear the angels sing,
"Alleluia! Hail the King!
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born."

V3

Singer **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.**

V4

Congregational singing Silent night, holy night, Wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing,
Alleluia to our King;
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.

Responsive Reading

The Birth of Christ

CCL 83789

- From Matthew 1 and Luke 2, NIV

Gentlemen This is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about.

Ladies **His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be with child through the Holy Spirit.**

Gentlemen An angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.

Ladies **"She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."**

Gentlemen And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.

Ladies **But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.**

Gentlemen Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in strips of cloth and lying in a manger."

Ladies **Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,**

**"Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to men
on whom his favour rests"**

We Three Kings, CCL 83789

V1

Male Trio We three kings Orient are; bearing gifts we traverse afar
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,
Following yonder star.

Refrain

Male Trio O star of wonder, star of night,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to Thy perfect light.

V2

Singer Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown Him again,
King forever, ceasing never
Over us all to reign.
(Repeat Refrain)

V3

Singer Frankincense to offer have I; incense owns a Deity nigh;
Prayer and praising all men raising,
Worship Him, God on high.
(Repeat Refrain)

V4

Singer Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume; breathes a life of gathering gloom:
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying,
Sealed in the stone-cold tomb.
(Repeat Refrain)

V5

Congregational Singing Glorious now behold Him arise, King and God and sacrifice;
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Sounds through the earth and skies.
(Repeat Refrain)

Luke 2:8-12 (NIV)

Reader ⁸ And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. ⁹ An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. ¹¹ Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹² This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

Go, Tell It on the Mountain, CCL 83789

Chorus

Singer **Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere:
Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!**

V1

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

V2

Congregational singing 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 our Savior's birth
Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere:
Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!

V3

Children **Down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born,
And brought us God's salvation that blessed Christmas morn**

Congregational singing

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere:
Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!

Luke 2:13-14 (NIV)

Reader ¹³ Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,
¹⁴ "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

O Come All Ye Faithful, CCL 83789

V1

Congregational singing 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!

Refrain

O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ, the Lord!

V2

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest!
(Repeat Refrain)

V3

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning,
Jesus, to Thee be all glory given;
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing!
(Repeat Refrain)

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

Kid's Choir Infant holy, infant lowly
For His bed a cattle stall;
Oxen lowing, little knowing,
Christ the babe is Lord of all.
Swift are winging, angels singing,
Noels ringing, tidings bringing,
Christ the babe is Lord of all,
Christ the babe is Lord of all.

Flocks were sleeping, shepherd keeping
Vigil till the morning new;
Saw the glory, heard the story,
Tidings of the gospel true;
Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow,
Praises voicing, greet the morrow,
Christ the babe was born for you,
Christ the babe was born for you.