Traditional Holiday Sheet Music Lyrics

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Angels We Have Heard On High

 Angels we have heard on high Singing sweetly through the night, And the mountains in reply Echo back their brave delight.

Refrain:

Gloria, in excelsis Deo. Gloria, in excelsis Deo.

Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why these songs of happy cheer? What great brightness did you see? What glad tidings did you hear?

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3. Come to Bethlehem to see Him whose birth the angels sing; Come, adore on bended knee Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

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4. See Him in a manger laid Whom the angels praise above; Mary, Joseph, lend your aid, While we raise our hearts in love.

Away In A Manger

- 1. Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head. The stars in the sky looked down where He lay, The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.
- 2. 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 cradle 'til morning is nigh.
- 3. 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.

Deck The Hall

- 1. 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 la.
 Don we now our gay apparel,
 Fa la la, la la la, la la la.
 Troll the ancient Yuletide carol,
 Fa la la la la, la la la la.
- 2. 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 Yuletide treasure, Fa la la la la, la la la.
- 3. 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.

The First Noel

The first Nowell the angel did say, Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay; In fields as they lay keeping their sheep, On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Refrain:

Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Born is the King of Israel.

2. 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.

[Refrain]

3. 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.

[Refrain]

4. This star drew nigh to the northwest, O'er Bethlehem it took its rest, And there it did both stop and stay Right over the place where Jesus lay.

[Refrain]

5. Then entered in those Wise Men three, Full reverently upon their knee, And offered there, in His presence Their gold and myrrh, and frankincense.

God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen

1. 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!
- 2. 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.

[Refrain]

3. "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."

[Refrain]

4. 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 doth bring redeeming grace.

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, gathering 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 food and bring me wine, bring me pine logs hither. Thou and I will see him dine, when we bear him thither."

 Page and monarch forth they went, forth they went together,
 Through the rude winds' wild lament and the bitter weather.
- 4. "Sire, the night is darker now, and the wind blows stronger. Fails my heart, I know not how; I can go no longer." "Mark my footsteps, my good page; tread now in them boldly: Thou shalt find the winter's rage freeze thy blood less coldly."
- 5. In his master's steps he trod, where the snow lay dinted.

 Heat was in the very sod which the saint had printed.

 Therefore, Christian men, be sure, wealth or rank possessing,

 You who now will bless the poor shall yourselves find blessing.

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 host proclaim,
Christ is born in Bethlehem!

Refrain:

Hark! The herald angels sing Glory to the newborn King!

Christ, by highest heaven 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!

[Refrain]

3. Mild He lays His glory by,
Born that we no more may die,
Born to raise us from the Earth,
Born to give us second birth.
Risen with healing in his wings,
Light and life to all he brings,
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!
Hail, the heaven born Prince of Peace!

Here We Come A-Wassailing

1. O here we come a-wassailing Among the leaves so green,
Here we come a-wand'ring
So fair to be seen.

Refrain:

Love and joy come to you, And to you your wassail, too, And God bless you and send you a Happy New Year, And God send you a Happy New Year.

We are not daily beggars That beg from door to door, But we are neighbors' children Whom you have seen before.

[Refrain]

3. Good master and good mistress,
As you sit beside the fire,
Pray think of us poor children
Who wander in the mire.

[Refrain]

4. We have a little purse
Made of ratching leather skin;
We want some of your small change
To line it well within.

In the Bleak Midwinter

- 1. In the bleak mid-winter,
 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 mid-winter
 Long ago.
- Our God, Heaven cannot hold Him, Nor Earth sustain; Heaven and Earth shall flee away When He comes to reign; In the bleak mid-winter A stable place sufficed The Lord God carnate, Jesus Christ.
- 3. Angels and archangels
 May have gathered there,
 Cherubim and seraphin
 Thronged the air;
 But His mother only,
 In her maiden bliss,
 Worshiped the Beloved
 With a kiss.
- 4. 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;
 Yet what I can, I give Him,
 Give my heart.

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, goodwill to men, From heaven's all-gracious King." The world in solemn stillness lay, To hear the angels sing.
- 2. 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 hov'ring wing, And ever o'er its Babel sounds The blessed angels sing.
- 3. Yet with the woes of sin and strife
 The world has suffered long;
 Beneath the heavenly hymn have rolled
 Two thousand years of wrong;
 And warring humankind hears not
 The tidings which they bring;
 O hush the noise and cease your strife
 And hear the angels sing!
- 4. For lo!, the days are hastening on,
 By prophets seen of old,
 When with the ever-circling years
 Shall come the time foretold,
 When peace shall over all the Earth
 Its ancient splendors fling,
 And all the world give back the song
 Which now the angels sing.

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 heaven and nature sing, And heaven and nature sing, And heaven and heaven and nature sing.
- 2. Joy to the World! the Savior reigns; Let us our songs employ, While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains, Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.
- 3. 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.
- 4. 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 and wonders of his love.

Oh Chanukah, Oh Chanukah

O Chanukah, Oh Chanukah, come light the menorah, Let's have a party, we'll all dance the hora. Gather 'round the table, we'll give you a treat, Dreydels to play with and latkeys to eat. And while we are playing
The candles are burning low
One for each night, they shed a sweet light
To remind us of days long ago.

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;

Refrain:

- O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.
- 2. God from God, light from light eternal, Lo! He abhors not the Virgin's womb; Only begotten Son of the Father;

[Refrain]

3. Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, Sing, all ye citizens of Heaven above; Glory to God, glory in the highest;

[Refrain]

4. See how the shepherds, summoned to His cradle, Leaving their flocks, draw nigh to gaze; We too will thither bend our joyful footsteps;

[Refrain]

5. Child, for us sinners poor and in a manger, We would embrace thee with love and awe; Who would not love thee, loving us so dearly?

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.
- Where children pure and happy pray to the blessed Child, Where misery cries out to Thee, Son of the mother mild; Where charity stands watching and faith holds wide the door, The dark night wakes, the glory breaks, and Christmas comes once more.
- 5. 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.

O Tannenbaum

- O tannenbaum, O tannenbaum,
 Wie treu sind deine blätter!
 O tannenbaum, O tannenbaum,
 Wie treu sind deine blätter!
 Du grünst nicht nur zur sommerzeit,
 Nein, auch im winter, wenn es schneit.
 O tannenbaum, O tannenbaum,
 Wie treu sind deine blätter!
- 2. O tannenbaum, O tannenbaum,
 Du kannst mir sehr gefallen!
 O tannenbaum, O tannenbaum,
 Du kannst mir sehr gefallen!
 Wie oft hat nicht zur weihnachtszeit
 Ein baum von dir mich hoch erfreut!
 O tannenbaum, O tannenbaum,
 Du kannst mir sehr gefallen!
- 3. O tannenbaum, O tannenbaum, Dein kleid will mich was lehren: O tannenbaum, O tannenbaum, Dein kleid will mich was lehren: Die hoffnung und beständigkeit, Gibt trust und kraft zu jeder zeit! O tannenbaum, O tannenbaum, Das soll dein kleid mich lehren.

On This Day The Earth Shall Ring

1. On this day Earth shall ring
With the song children sing
To the Lord, Christ our King,
Born on Earth to save us;
Him the Father gave us.

Refrain:

Ideo-o-o, ideo-o-o,
Ideo gloria in excelsis Deo!

2. His the doom, ours the mirth; When he came down to Earth, Bethlehem saw his birth; Ox and ass beside him From the cold would hide him.

[Refrain]

3. God's bright star, o'er his head, Wise Men three to him led; Kneel they low by his bed, Lay their gifts before him, Praise him and adore him.

[Refrain]

4. On this day angels sing, With their song Earth shall ring, Praising Christ, heaven's King, Born on Earth to save us; Peace and love he gave us.

Silent Night

- Silent night, holy night, All is calm, all is bright Round you virgin mother and Child. Holy Infant so tender and mild, Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.
- 2. Silent night, holy night, Shepherds quake at the sight, Glories stream from heaven afar, Heavenly hosts sing alleluia. Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born!
- 3. 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.

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 light, Star with royal beauty bright, Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to Thy perfect light.

2. Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, Gold I bring to crown Him again, King forever, ceasing never, Over us all to reign.

[Refrain]

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

[Refrain]

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

[Refrain]

5. Glorious now behold Him arise, King and God and sacrifice; Alleluia, alleluia, Earth to heaven replies.

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.

Refrain:

Good tidings we bring to you and your kin; We wish you a Merry 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.

[Refrain]

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.

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?

Refrain:

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.

[Refrain]

3. So bring Him incense, gold and myrrh, Come peasant, king to own Him. The King of kings salvation brings, Let loving hearts enthrone Him.