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from Psalm 36:5-9

Worship Leader: ⁵ Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

ALL: ⁶ Your righteousness is like the mountains of God; your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast you save, O LORD.



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WL: ⁷ How precious is your steadfast love, O God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings. ⁸ They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

ALL: ⁹ For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light.



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WL: Sisters and brothers, the Lord – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – calls you to himself this day!

ALL: Let us worship God!

Angels We Have Heard On High

Music and text: French traditional.



An - gels we have heard on high, sweet - ly sing - ing



o'er the plains, and the moun - tains in re - ply



ech - o back teir joy - ous strains.

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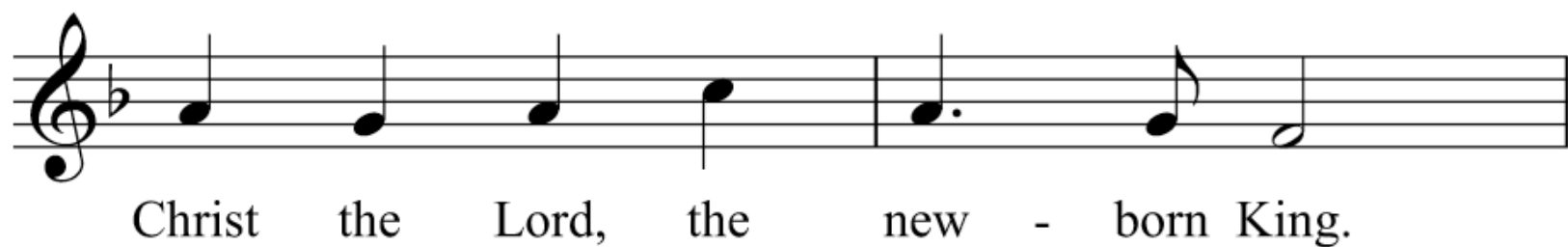
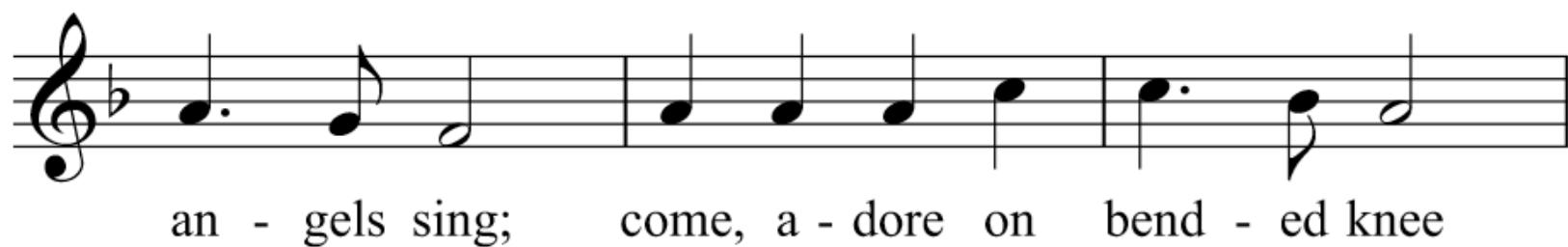


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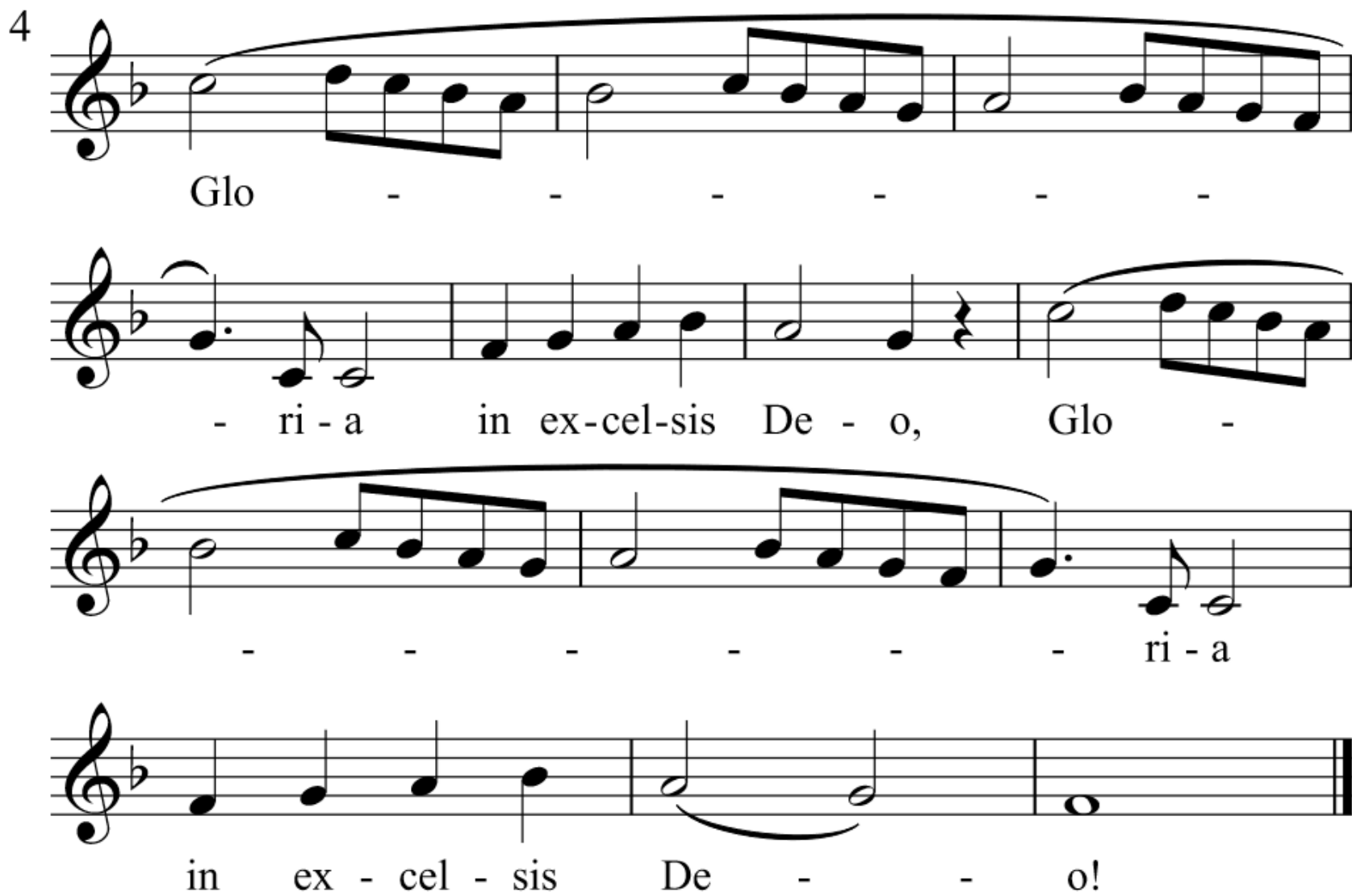
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Angels from the Realms of Glory

Text: James Montgomery (1816)

Music: Henry T. Smart (1866)



An-gels, from the realms of glo-ry, wing your flight o'er



all the earth; Ye who sang cre-a-tions sto-ry,



now pro-claim Mes-si-ah's birth: Come and wor-ship,



come and wor-ship, wor-ship Christ the new-born King!

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Shep-herds, in your fields a-bid-ing, watch-ing o'er your



flocks by night, God with man is now re-sid-ing,



yon-der shines the in-fant Light: Come and wor-ship,



come and wor-ship, wor-ship Christ the new-born King!

3

Saints be - fore the al - tar bend-ing, watch-ing long in
hope and fear, sud - den - ly the Lord, de scend-ing,
in His tem - ple_ shall ap - pear: Come and wor-ship,
come and wor-ship, wor-ship Christ the new-born King!



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O God, in the beginning you spoke, and creation was born,
the object of your loving care. In the fullness of time you
spoke, and the Word became flesh, Jesus, gift of your love.
We wonder at the miracle of creation; we stand in awe
before the mystery of the incarnation.



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Forgive us earthbound creatures, feeble in faith, empty of hope, lacking in love. This year let the miracle and mystery of Christmas happen for us again. We wait upon you with ready hearts, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Take Me, O My Father, Take Me

Text: Ray Palmer (1864)

Music: Once In Royal David's City
Henry J. Gauntlett (1849)



Take me, O my Fa - ther, take me; take me,
save me through Thy Son; that which Thou wouldst have me,
make me, let Thy will in me be done. Long from
Thee my foot-steps stray-ing, wear-y come I now and pray-ing.

2



Fruit-less years with grief re - call-ing, hum-bly I con-fess my_



sin; at Thy feet, O Fa - ther, fall - ing, to Thy



house - hold take_ me_ in. Free - ly now to Thee I



prof - fer, free - ly life and soul_ I_ of - fer.

Once the world's Re-deem-er, dy-ing, bore our sins up-on the

tree; on that sac - ri - fice re - ly - ing, now I

look in hope to Thee: Fa - ther, take me, all for -

giv - ing; In Thy love for - ev - er liv - ing.

Yet Not I, But Through Christ In Me

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and Michael Farren

The musical score is written on four staves in treble clef, with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes, with some measures containing rests. The lyrics are written below the staves, aligned with the notes.

What gift of grace is Je-sus my Re-deem er. There is no
more for heav-en now to give. He is my
joy, my right-eous-ness and free-dom, my stead-fast
love, my deep and bound-less peace.

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To this I hold: my hope is on-ly Je - sus, for my



life is whol - ly bound to His. Oh how



strange and di - vine, I can sing: "All is mine! Yet not



I, but through Christ in me."



The night is dark but I am not for-sak-en, for by my



side, the Sav-ior, He will stay. I la-bour



on in weak-ness and re-joic-ing, for in my



need, His pow-er is dis-played.

4



To this I hold: my Shep-herd will de-fend me; through the



deep - est val - ley He will lead. Oh the



night has been won, and I shall ov - er come! Yet not



I, but through Christ in me.



No fate I dread; I know I am for-giv-en. The fu-ture



sure, the price-- it has been paid. For Je - sus



bled and suf-fered for my par - don, and He was



raised to ov - er - throw the grave!

6



To this I hold: my sin has been de - feat- ed! Je-sus



now and ev - er is my plea. Oh the



chains are re-leased, I can sing: "I am free! Yet not



I, but through Christ in me."



With ev-'ry breath I long to fol-low Je-sus, for He has



said that He will bring me home, and day by



day I know He will re - new me un - til I



stand with joy be - fore the throne.

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The musical score is written on four staves in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The first staff begins with a measure rest (7) and contains the lyrics 'To this I hold: my hope is on-ly Je - sus. All the'. The second staff continues with 'glo - ry ev - er-more to Him. When the'. The third staff continues with 'race is com-plete, still my lips shall re - peat:'. The fourth staff begins with a repeat sign and contains the lyrics '"Yet not I, but through Christ in Me!____'.

To this I hold: my hope is on-ly Je - sus. All the

glo - ry ev - er-more to Him. When the

race is com-plete, still my lips shall re - peat:

"Yet not I, but through Christ in Me!____

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The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.



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⁸ And he entered the synagogue and for three months spoke boldly, reasoning and persuading them about the kingdom of God.



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⁹ But when some became stubborn and continued in unbelief, speaking evil of the Way before the congregation, he withdrew from them and took the disciples with him, reasoning daily in the hall of Tyrannus.



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¹⁰ This continued for two years, so that all the residents of Asia heard the word of the Lord, both Jews and Greeks.



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¹¹ And God was doing extraordinary miracles by the hands of Paul, ¹² so that even handkerchiefs or aprons that had touched his skin were carried away to the sick, and their diseases left them and the evil spirits came out of them.

Acts 19:8-12 ESV



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¹² For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

Ephesians 6:12 ESV



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¹³ Then some of the itinerant Jewish exorcists undertook to invoke the name of the Lord Jesus over those who had evil spirits, saying, “I adjure you by the Jesus whom Paul proclaims.”



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¹⁴ Seven sons of a Jewish high priest named Sceva were doing this. ¹⁵ But the evil spirit answered them, “Jesus I know, and Paul I recognize, but who are you?”



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¹⁶ And the man in whom was the evil spirit leaped on them, mastered all of them and overpowered them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded.



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¹⁷ And this became known to all the residents of Ephesus, both Jews and Greeks. And fear fell upon them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was extolled.



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¹⁸ Also many of those who were now believers came, confessing and divulging their practices.



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¹⁹ And a number of those who had practiced magic arts brought their books together and burned them in the sight of all. And they counted the value of them and found it came to fifty thousand pieces of silver.



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²⁰ So the word of the Lord continued to increase and prevail mightily.

Good Christian Men, Rejoice!

Text: traditional 14th century.

Music: IN DULCI JUBILO (14th century)



Good Christ-ian men, re- joice___ with heart and soul and voice!___



Give ye heed to what we say: News! News! Je - sus Christ is



born to-day! Ox and ass be - fore Him bow, and He is in the



man-ger now: Christ is born to day!___ Christ is born to - day!

2



Good Christ-ian men, re - joice__with heart and soul and voice!__



Now ye hear of end-less bliss: Joy! Joy! Je - sus Christ was



born for this! He has op-ened hea-ven's door, and man is bless'd for-



ev-er more: Christ was born for this!__ Christ was born for this!



Good Christ-ian men, re - joice__with heart and soul and voice!__



Now ye need not fear the grave: Peace! Peace! Je - sus Christ was



born to save! Calls you one and calls you all to gain His ev - er-



last-ing hall: Christ was born to save!_ Christ was born to save!