Christmas Eve 2024

Processional and Cross Songs *All in grades 5–8*

Once in Royal David's City

Grades 5–8 (Solo) Once in royal David's city Stood a lowly cattle shed. Where a mother laid her baby In a manger for his bed. Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little child.

Grades 5–8 (All)

He came down to earth from heaven, Who is God and Lord of all. And his shelter was a stable, And his cradle was a stall; With the poor and mean and lowly Lived on earth our Savior holy.

In the Bleak Midwinter

In the bleak midwinter, 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 midwinter long ago.

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 can I give him—give my heart.

Still, Still, Still

Still, still, still, thy heart with joy I'd fill. I'd sing thee a song and watch by thy manger, Guard thee from harm and keep thee from danger. Still, still, still, thy heart with joy I'd fill.

Schlaf, schlaf, schlaf, mein liebes Kindlein schlaf! Die Engel tun schön Musizieren, Bei dem Kindelein jubilieren, Schlaf, schlaf, schlaf, mein liebes Kindlein schlaf!

Still, still, still, within thy holy will. To thee, great God, my voice I'd raise With awe and wonder, sing thy praise. Still, still, still, within thy holy will.

Songs for Grades 5–8

O Holy Night

O holy night the stars are brightly shining It is the night of our dear Savior's birth; Long lay the world in sin and error pining Till he appeared and the soul felt its worth.

A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices, For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn; Fall on your knees, Oh, hear the angel voices! O night divine, O night when Christ was born! O night divine, O night when Christ was born!

He knows our need, our weakness is no stranger. Behold your King, before Him lowly bend! Behold your King, before Him lowly bend!

Torches

Torches, torches, run with torches All the way to Bethlehem! Christ is born and now lies sleeping: Come and sing your song to him! *Repeat*

Ah, Ro-ro, Ro-ro my baby. Ah, Ro-ro, my love, Ro-ro; Sleep you well, my heart's own darling, While we sing you our Ro-ro.

Sing, my friends, and make you merry, Joy and mirth and joy again; Lo, he lives, the King of heaven, Now and evermore. Amen.

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O Sing of Christ

All

1.O sing of Christ, whose birth made known The kindness of the Lord, Eternal Word made flesh and bone So we could be restored. Upon our frail humanity God's finger chose to trace The fullness of His deity, the icon of His grace.

Small group

2. What Adam lost, none could reclaim, And Paradise was barred Until the second Adam came To mend what sin had marred.For when the time was full and right God sent His only Son; He came to us as life and light And our redemption won.

All

3. He came to that which was His own, But He was not received;Yet still through Him God's glory shone, And some His name believed.To these He gave the right to be The heirs of heav'n above, Born not of human ancestry But born of God in love.

All+Congregation

4. Lord Jesus Christ, You deigned to dwell Among us here on earthAs God with us, Emmanuel,To bring this holy birth.Though rich, You willingly becameOne with our poverty,That we might share your wealth and nameFor all eternity.

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

All

1.Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming From tender stem hath sprung! Of Jesse's lineage coming As those of old have sung. It came, a floweret bright, Amid the cold of winter, When half spent was the night.

All

2. Isaiah 'twas foretold it, The Rose I have in mind, With Mary we behold it, The Virgin Mother kind. To show God's love aright, She bore to us a Savior, When half spent was the night.

Rocking Song

All

1. Tiny baby softly sleeping, Cradled in your mother's arms. Sweetly singing, gently rocking mother Keeps you safe from harm.

Refrain: Lullaby, sing lullaby. Sleep, baby, sleep 'til break of day. May your dreams all be sweet, Gentle and mild. Slumber in peace and love, Holy Child.

All

2. Starlight fills the winter sky In radiant beauty shining bright. Sleep my dear one, cradled gently In your mother's arms tonight. *Refrain*

All

3. Tiny baby, softly sleeping, Cradled in your mother's arms. Sweetly singing, gently rocking, Mother keeps you safe from harm. *Refrain*

Jesus Child

All

1.Have you heard the story that they're telling 'bout Bethlehem, Have you heard the story Of the Jesus child? How he came from heaven And was born in a manger bed? Mary was his virgin mother Pure and mild.

Refrain:

Sing alleluia, brothers, Sing alleluia, sisters, Worship the Jesus child And praise his mother mild. Glory to God on high The angel hosts above are singing: Listen to the story of the Jesus child.

All

2. Have you heard the story Of the poor humble shepherd men, Sitting on the hillside With their flocks at night? Suddenly the angel tells them: Hurry to Bethlehem; Go and find the Jesus child, The world's new light. *Refrain*

All

3. Jesus child lying at Bethlehem, Sleeping safe at Mary's knee, Save my soul and bring me to paradise, Let me join the angels singing Glory to Thee. *Refrain*

4. Have you heard the story Of the kings from the orient, Following the star that's shining Over his head? Offering their precious gifts Of gold, myrrh and frankincense. Kneeling with the ox and ass Before his bed? *Refrain*

Away in a Manger

Grades 1–4

1. Away in a manger, no crib for his bed, The little Lord Jesus lay down His sweet head. The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay. The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

Grades 1-8 (All) with the congregation

2. The cattle are lowing, the poor baby wakes, But little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes. I love you, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky And stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.

Grades 1-8 (All) with the congregation

3. Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask you to stay. Close by me forever and love me I pray. Bless all the dear children in your tender care, And fit us for heaven to live with you there.

Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful

All children and congregation

 Oh, come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, Oh, come, ye, oh, come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold Him! Born the King of angels;
Oh, come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

2. Sing choirs of angels, sing in exultation,Sing all you citizens of heav'n above;Glory to God in the highest;Oh, come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

Sing We Now of Christmas

All

1.Sing we now of Christmas, Noel sing we here! Hear our grateful praises To the babe so dear.

Refrain:

Sing we Noel, The king is born, Noel! Sing we now of Christmas, Sing we now Noel!

All

2. Angels called to shepherds, "Leave your flocks at rest; Journey forth to Bethlehem, Find the child so blest." *Refrain*

Small group

3. In Bethlehem they found him, Joseph, and Mary mild, Seated by the manger, Watching the holy child. *Refrain (all 5-8)*

All

4. From the eastern country Came the kings afar, Bearing gifts to Beth-l'em, Guided by a star. *Refrain*

All

5. Gold and myrrh they took there, Gifts of greatest price; Ne'er a stable so like paradise. Sing we now, the King is born, Noel! *Refrain*

Sussex Carol

All

1. On Christmas night all Christians sing To hear the news the angels bring, On Christmas night all Christians sing To hear the news the angels bring News of great joy, news of great mirth, News of our merciful King's birth.

All

2. Then why should people be so sad Since our Redeemer made us glad, Then why should people be so sad Since our Redeemer made us glad, When from our sin he set us free, All for to gain our liberty.

All

3. When sin departs before his grace, Then life and health come in its place. When sin departs before his grace, Then life and health come in its place. Angels above with joy may sing All for to see the newborn King.

4. All out of darkness we have light Which made the angels sing that night, All out of darkness we have light Which made the angels sing that night. Glory to God we sing again; Now and forevermore, Amen.

Silent Night, Holy Night

Grades 1–8 (All) 1. 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.

Grades 5–8 (All), with the congregation 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!

Grades 5–8 (All), with the congregation 3. Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love's pure light Radiant beams from your holy face, With the dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus, Lord, at your birth, Jesus, Lord, at your birth.