

# Worship in Song

December 17, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Advent

## Call to Worship

The mighty God summons the earth from  
the rising of the sun to the place where it  
sets.

Our God comes and will not be silent.  
God calls, and we respond to his love.  
The heavens declare God's righteousness.  
We tell out God's glories!  
Offer up to God your thanksgiving.  
And our God will hear us, save us, and stay  
with us forever.

## Angels We Have Heard on High (Gloria)

Gloria! We sing Gloria!  
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Angels we have heard on high,  
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,  
And the mountains in reply  
Echo back their joyous strains.

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

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

## Angels, from the Realms of Glory

Angels, from the realms of glory  
Wing your flight o'er all the earth  
Ye who sang creation's story  
Now proclaim Messiah's birth

*Come and worship,*  
*Come and worship,*  
*Worship Christ, the newborn King*

Shepherds, in the fields abiding  
Watching o'er your flocks by night  
God with man is now residing  
Yonder shines the infant Light

Saints before the altar bending  
Watching long in hope and fear

Suddenly the Lord descending  
In His temple shall appear

## 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 th' angelic host proclaim,  
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"  
*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.  
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*"Glory to the newborn King."*

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!  
Hail the Sun 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.  
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## Behold

Behold the King has come  
Divinity incarnate  
Creator of the world breathing our air  
Behold what light has come  
And the dark cannot contain it  
The Savior of the world is finally here

*O come let us adore Him*  
*Come let us adore Him*  
*For He alone is worthy*  
*Christ the Lord*

Behold the Father's love  
Beyond all comprehension  
He gave His only Son to die in our place  
Go and see that empty tomb  
He's not there for He is risen  
Every heart prepare Him room  
Jesus Christ the King of Heaven

We give You all the glory we give You all the  
glory  
We give You all the glory Christ the Lord  
(REPEAT)

We praise Your name forever  
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Christ the Lord

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He is Christ the Lord

#### **Love Came Down at Christmas**

Love came down at Christmas,  
Love all lovely, love divine;  
Love was born at Christmas,  
Star and angels gave the sign.

Worship we the Godhead,  
Love incarnate, love divine;  
Worship we our Jesus:  
What shall be our sacred sign?

Love shall be our token,  
Love shall be yours and love be mine,  
Love to God and to all men,  
Love for plea and gift and sign.

#### **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 lamb are feeding  
Good Christian, fear; for sinners here  
The silent Word is pleading

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

#### **Advent Reading #4**

In this Advent season of waiting on the  
Lord,  
We trust in the Lord's goodness.  
We rely on his mercy.  
We find shelter in his steadfast love.  
In this Advent season of waiting on the  
Lord,  
We walk in the Lord's way.  
We follow his example of love.  
We keep our covenant promises.  
In this Advent season of waiting,  
Lord, forget our sins.  
Remember your love.  
Remember each one of us.  
Remember your people everywhere.  
In this Advent season of waiting,  
Lord, we wait for your salvation.  
We wait for your leading.  
We wait for your coming.

#### **Advent candle-lighting #4**

We light these candles as a sign of the  
coming light of Christ.  
In the wilderness prepare the way of our  
Lord, make straight in the desert a highway  
for our God.  
The Lord will give you a sign.  
A young woman is with child  
and shall bear a son.  
And they shall name him Immanuel, which  
means "God is with us."  
Every valley shall be lifted up and every  
mountain and hill be made low;  
The uneven ground shall become level, and  
the rough places a plain.  
Then the glory of the Lord shall be  
revealed, and all the people shall see it  
together, for the mouth of the Lord has  
spoken.

### **Hark the Herald Angels Sing/King of Heaven**

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*King of heaven come down  
King of heaven come now  
Let Your glory reign  
Shining like the day  
King of heaven come  
King of heaven rise up  
Who can stand against us  
You are strong to save in Your mighty name  
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Gloria! Gloria!

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### **Blessing**

May the Lord make you increase and  
abound in love for one another and for all,  
just as we abound in love for you.  
And may he so strengthen your hearts in  
holiness that you may be blameless before  
our God and Father at the advent of our  
Lord Jesus with all his saints.

*1 Thess. 3:12-13*