



LUMINARIES & CAROLING

Ormewood Park

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Angels We Have Heard on High

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly swinging o'er the plains
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their joyous strains:

Gloria In Excelsis Deo!
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Shepherds why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
Say what may the tidings be
Which inspire your heavenly song?

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

Away in a Manger

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.

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.

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.

Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire

Chestnuts roasting on an open fire,
Jack Frost nipping at your nose,
Yuletide carols being sung by a choir
And folks dressed up like eskimos.

Everybody knows a turkey and some mistletoe
Help to make the season bright.
Tiny tots with their eyes all aglow
Will find it hard to sleep tonight.

They know that Santa's on his way.
He's loaded lots of toys and goodies on his sleigh.
And ev'ry mother's child is gonna spy
To see if reindeer really know how to fly.

And so I'm offering this simple phrase
To kids from one to ninety-two,
Although its been said many times,
Many ways:
"Merry Christmas to you"

Deck the Halls

Deck the halls with boughs of holly, Fa la la la la la la la!
'Tis the season to be jolly, Fa la la la la la la la!
Don we now our gay apparel, Fa la la la la la la la!
Troll the ancient Yuletide carol, Fa la la la la la la la!

See the blazing yule before us, Fa la la la la la la la!
Strike the harp and join the chorus, Fa la la la la la la la!
Follow me in merry measure, Fa la la la la la la la!
While I tell of Yuletide treasure, Fa la la la la la la la!

Fast away the old year passes, Fa la la la la la la la!
Hail the new, ye lads and lasses, Fa la la la la la la la!
Sing we joyous all together! Fa la la la la la la la!
Heedless of the wind and weather, Fa la la la la la la la!

Feliz Navidad

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Prospero año y felicidad!
(2 times)

I want to wish you a Merry Christmas!
I want to wish you a Merry Christmas!
I want to wish you a Merry Christmas!
From the bottom of my heart!

Frosty the Snowman

Frosty the snowman was a jolly happy soul,
With a corncob pipe and a button nose,
And two eyes made out of coal.
Frosty the snowman is a fairytale they say.
He was made of snow, but the children know
How he came to life one day.

There must have been some magic
In that old silk hat they found
For when they placed it on his head
He began to dance around!
Frosty the snowman was alive as he could be
And the children say, "He could laugh and play,
Just the same as you and me."

Frosty the snowman knew the sun was hot that day.
So he said let's run, and we'll have some fun
now before I melt away.
Down to the village, with a broomstick in his hand
Running here and there all around the square,
Saying catch me if you can!

He led them down the streets of town
Right to the traffic cop, and he only paused a moment
when he heard him holler "Stop!"
Frosty the snowman had to hurry on his way,
But he waved goodbye, saying, "Don't you cry!
I'll be back again some day."

Thumpety thump thump, thumpety thump thump.
Look at Frosty go!
Thumpety thump thump, thumpety thump thump
Over the hills of snow!

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing!

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born 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 new-born King!"

Christ, by highest heaven adored:
Christ, the everlasting Lord;
Late in time behold him come,
Offspring of the favoured one.
Veiled in flesh, the Godhead see;
Hail, th'incarnate Deity:
Pleased, as man, with men to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel!
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King!"

Hail! the heaven-born
Prince of peace!
Hail! the Son of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
Risen with healing in his wings
Mild he lays his glory by,
Born that man no more may die:
Born to raise the ones of earth,
Born to give them second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King!"

Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas

Have yourself a merry little Christmas.
Let your heart be light.
Next year all our troubles will be out of sight.
Have yourself a merry little Christmas
Make the Yuletide gay.
Next year all our troubles will be miles away.

Here we are as in olden days,
Happy golden days of yore.
Faithful friends who are dear to us
Gather near to us, once more.

Someday soon we all will be together
If the fates allow,
Until then we'll have to muddle through somehow.
So have yourself a merry little Christmas now.

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 heav'n and nature sing,
and heav'n and nature sing,
and heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! The Savior reigns!
Let men their songs employ;
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

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.

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, wonders of his love.

Let It Snow

Oh the weather outside is frightful
But the fire is so delightful
And since we've no place to go
Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow.

It doesn't show signs of stopping,
And I've brought some corn for popping.
The lights are turned way down low.
Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow

When we finally kiss goodnight,
How I hate going out in the storm.
But if you really hold me tight,
All the way home I'll be warm!

The fire is slowly dying
And my dear we're still goodbye-ing.
As long as you love me so
Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow!

O Christmas Tree

O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree,
Thy leaves are so unchanging!
O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree,
Thy leaves are so unchanging!

Not only green when summer's here,
But also when it's cold and drear.
O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree,
Thy leaves are so unchanging.

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;

*O come, let us adore him; O come, let us adore him;
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!*

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above;
glory to God, all glory in the highest;

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning:
Jesus, to thee be all glory giv'n;
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing;

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, O Wisdom from on high,
who ordered all things mightily;
to us the path of knowledge show
and teach us in its ways to go.

O come, O Bright and Morning Star,
and bring us comfort from afar!
Dispel the shadows of the night
and turn our darkness into light.

O come, O King of nations, bind
in one the hearts of all humankind.
Bid all our sad divisions cease
and be yourself our King of Peace.

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 glorious morn.

Fall on your knees.

O hear the angels' voices.

O night divine!

O night when Christ was born,

O night divine, o night, o night divine.

Truly He taught us to love one another;
His law is love and His Gospel is Peace
Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother
And in His name, all oppression shall cease.
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we.
Let all within us praise His Holy name!

O Little Town of Bethlehem

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by,
Yet in the dark street shineth the everlasting Light.
The hopes and fears of all the years
are met in thee tonight.

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, our King, & peace to us on earth

How silently, how silently the wondrous Gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of the heavens.
No ear may hear His coming, but in this world of sin
Where meek souls will receive Him still
The dear Christ enters in.

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!

Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer

You know Dasher and Dancer
and Prancer and Vixen,
Comet and Cupid and Donner and Blitzen,
But do you recall the most famous reindeer of all?

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer
Had a very shiny nose,
And if you ever saw it,
You would even say it glows!
All of the other reindeer
Used to laugh and call him names.
They never let poor Rudolph
Join in any reindeer games.

Then one foggy Christmas Eve, Santa came to say,
"Rudolph, with your nose so bright
Won't you guide my sleigh tonight?"
Then how the reindeer loved him,
As they shouted out with glee,
"Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer
You'll go down in history"

Santa Claus is Comin' to Town

You better watch out!
You better not cry!
You better not pout!
I'm telling you why,
Santa Claus is coming to town.

He's making a list.
He's checking it twice.
He's gonna find out
Who's naughty or nice.
Santa Claus is coming to town.

He sees you when you're sleeping,
He knows when you're awake,
He knows when you've been bad or good,
So be good for goodness sake!

You better watch out!
You better not cry!
You better not pout!
I'm telling you why, Santa Claus is coming to town.

Silent Night

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.

Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight.
Glories stream from heaven above.
Heavenly hosts sing 'Alleluia!
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.

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.

Sleigh Ride

Just hear those sleigh bells jingling. Ring-ting-tingling too.
Come on it's lovely weather for a sleigh ride together with you
Outside the snow is falling and friends are calling, "Yoohoo!"
Come on, it's lovely weather
For a sleigh ride together with you.

Giddy yap, giddy yap, giddy yap; Let's go, let's look at the show!
We're riding in a wonderland of snow.
Giddy yap, giddy yap, giddy yap
It's grand, just holding your hand.
We're riding along with a song of a wintry fairy land!

Our cheeks are nice and rosy and comfy cozy are we.
We're snuggled up together
Like two birds of a feather would be.
Let's take that road before us and sing a chorus or two.
Come on, it's lovely weather
For a sleigh ride together with you.

There's a birthday party at the home of Farmer Gray.
It'll be the perfect ending of a perfect day.
We'll be singing the songs we love to sing without a single stop
At the fireplace while we watch the chestnuts pop.
Pop! Pop! Pop!

There's a happy feeling nothing in the world can buy
When they pass around the chocolate and the pumpkin pie.
It'll nearly be like a picture print by Currier and Ives.
These wonderful things are the things we remember all
through our lives!

Silver Bells

*Silver bells, silver bells.
It's Christmas time in the city.
Ring-a-ling, hear them ring.
Soon it will be Christmas day!*

City sidewalks, busy sidewalks,
Dressed in holiday style.
In the air there's a feeling of Christmas.
Children laughing, people passing,
Meeting smile after smile,
And on every street corner you hear...

Strings of street lights, even stoplights
Blinkin' bright red and green,
As the shoppers rush home with their treasures.
Hear the snow crunch, see the kids bunch.
This is Santa's big day,
And above all this bustle you hear...

So This Is Christmas

So this is Christmas and what have you done?
Another year over and a new one just begun.
And so this is Christmas, I hope you have fun.
The near and the dear one, the old and the young.

*A very Merry Christmas!
And a happy new year!
Let's hope it's a good one
Without any fear.*

And so this is Christmas, for weak and for strong,
For rich and the poor ones, the world is so wrong.
And so happy Christmas, for black and for white,
For yellow and red one, let's stop all the fight.

War is over
If you want it
War is over
Now.

The First Noel

The first Noel the angels did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay:
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

*Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel!
Born is the King of Israel!*

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.

The Grinch

You're a mean one, Mr. Grinch. You really are a heel.
You're as cuddly as a cactus, you're as charming as an eel,
Mr. Grinch! You're a bad banana, with a greasy black peel!

You're a monster, Mr. Grinch! Your heart's an empty hole.
Your brain is full of spiders. You've got garlic in your soul,
Mr. Grinch! I wouldn't touch you
with a thirty-nine-and-a-half foot pole!

You're a vile one, Mr. Grinch!
You have termites in your smile.
You have all the tender sweetness of a seasick crocodile,
Mr. Grinch! Given the choice between the two of you,
I'd take the seasick crocodile!

You're a rotter, Mr. Grinch! You're the king of sinful sots!
Your heart's a dead tomato, Spotted with moldy, purple
spots, Mr. Grinch! Your soul is an appalling dump-heap,
Overflowing with the most disgraceful
assortment of deplorable rubbish imaginable,
Mangled-up in tangled-up knots!

You nauseate me, Mr. Grinch! With a nauseous super naus!
You're a crooked jerky jockey, and you drive a crooked hoss,
Mr. Grinch! You're a three-decker sauerkraut
and toadstool sandwich, with arsenic sauce!

You're a foul one, Mr. Grinch! You're a nasty, wasty skunk!
Your heart is full of unwashed socks.
Your soul is full of gunk, Mr. Grinch!
The three words that best describe you Are as follows,
and I quote, "Stink, stank, stunk!"

Up on the Housetop!

Up on the house top reindeers pause,
Out jumps good old Santa Claus.
Down through the chimney with lots of toys,
All for the little ones, Christmas joys.

Ho ho ho, oh, who wouldn't go?
Ho ho ho, who wouldn't go?
Up on the housetop
Click click click
Down through the chimney with good St. Nick.

First comes the stocking of little Nell.
Ol' dear Santa fill it well.
Give her a dolly that laughs and cries,
One that can open and shut its eyes.

Next comes the stocking of little Will.
Oh just see what a glorious fill.
Here is a hammer and lots of tacks,
Also a ball and a whip that cracks.

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!

Good tidings we bring to you and your kin,
Good tidings for Christmas & a Happy New Year!

Now bring us some figgy pudding!
Now bring us some figgy pudding!
Now bring us some figgy pudding!
Now bring some out here!

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!

We wish you a Merry Christmas!
We wish you a Merry Christmas!
We wish you a Merry Christmas,
and a Happy New Year!

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 ass are feeding?
The end of fear for all who hear
The silent Word is speaking.

So bring him incense, gold and myrrh
Come peasant king to love him;
The king of kings salvation brings
Let loving hearts enthrone him.

Winter Wonderland

Sleigh bells ring, are you listening?
In the lane, snow is glistening.
A beautiful sight, we're happy tonight,
Walking in a winter wonderland.

Gone away is the bluebird, here to stay is a new bird.
He sings a love song as we go along
Walking in a winter wonderland.

In the meadow, we can build a snowman,
Then pretend that he is Parson Brown.
He'll say, "Are you married?" We'll say, "No man,
But you can do the job when you're in town."

Later on, we'll conspire
As we dream by the fire
To face unafraid, the plans that we've made
Walking in a winter wonderland.

In the meadow, we can build a snowman
And pretend that he's a circus clown.
We'll have lots of fun with Mr. Snowman
Until the other kiddies knock him down.