

Saints in the Light  
Advent and Christmas  
Hymn Sing





# **1. Savior of the nations, come!**

## **Hymn 54**

### **NUN KOMM, DER HEIDEN HEILAND**

- 1 Savior of the nations, come!  
Virgin's Son, make here your home.  
Marvel now, both heaven and earth,  
that the Lord chose such a birth.
  
- 2 Wondrous birth! Oh, wondrous child  
of the Virgin undefiled!  
Mighty God and Mary's son,  
eager now his race to run!
  
- 3 Thus on earth the Word appears,  
gracing his created spheres;  
hence to death and hell descends,  
then the heavenly throne ascends.

## **2. O come, O come, Emmanuel**

### **Hymnal 56**

#### **VENI, VENI, EMMANUEL**

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

*Refrain:*

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

- 2 O come, thou Wisdom from on high,  
who orderest all things mightily;  
to us the path of knowledge show,  
and teach us in her ways to go.

*Refrain*

- 3 O come, O come, thou Lord of might,  
who to thy tribes on Sinai's height  
in ancient times didst give the law,  
in cloud, and majesty, and awe.

*Refrain*

### **3. Lo! He comes, with clouds descending**

#### **Hymn 57**

#### **HELMSLEY**

- 1 Lo! he comes, with clouds descending,  
once for our salvation slain;  
thousand thousand saints attending  
swell the triumph of his train:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Christ the Lord returns to reign.
  
- 4 Yea, amen! let all adore thee,  
high on thine eternal throne;  
Savior, take the power and glory;  
claim the kingdom for thine own:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Thou shalt reign, and thou alone.

#### **4. Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding**

##### **Hymn 59**

**MERTON**

- 1 Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding:  
“Christ is nigh,” it seems to say;  
“Cast away the works of darkness,  
O ye children of the day.”
  
- 2 Wakened by the solemn warning,  
from earth’s bondage let us rise;  
Christ, our sun, all sloth dispelling,  
shines upon the morning skies.
  
- 3 Lo! the Lamb, so long expected,  
comes with pardon down from heaven;  
let us haste, with tears of sorrow,  
one and all to be forgiven;

## **5. Creator of the stars of night**

### **Hymn 60**

#### **CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM**

- 1 Creator of the stars of night,  
your people's everlasting light,  
O Christ, Redeemer of us all,  
we pray you hear us when we call.
  
- 2 In sorrow that the ancient curse  
should doom to death a universe,  
you came, O Savior, to set free  
your own in glorious liberty.
  
- 3 When this old world drew on toward night,  
you came; but not in splendor bright,  
not as a monarch, but the child  
of Mary, blameless mother mild.

## 6. Prepare the way, O Zion

### Hymn 65

#### BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN

- 1 Prepare the way, O Zion,  
your Christ is drawing near!  
Let every hill and valley  
a level way appear.  
Greet One who comes in glory,  
foretold in sacred story.

*Refrain:*

*Oh, blest is Christ that came  
in God's most holy Name.*

- 2 He brings God's rule, O Zion;  
he comes from heaven above.  
His rule is peace and freedom,  
and justice, truth, and love.  
Lift high your praise resounding,  
for grace and joy abounding.

*Refrain*

- 3 Fling wide your gates, O Zion;  
your Savior's rule embrace.  
His tidings of salvation  
proclaim in every place.  
All lands will bow before him,  
their voices will adore him.

*Refrain*



## **7. Come, thou long-expected Jesus**

### **Hymn 66**

#### **STUTTGART**

- 1 Come, thou long-expected Jesus,  
born to set thy people free;  
from our fears and sins release us,  
let us find our rest in thee.
  
- 2 Israel's strength and consolation,  
hope of all the earth thou art:  
dear desire of every nation,  
joy of every longing heart.
  
- 3 Born thy people to deliver,  
born a child, and yet a king,  
born to reign in us for ever,  
now thy gracious kingdom bring.

## 8. Comfort, comfort ye my people

### Hymn 67

### PSALM 42

- 1 Comfort, comfort ye my people,  
speak ye peace, thus saith our God;  
comfort those who sit in darkness  
mourning 'neath their sorrows' load.  
Speak ye to Jerusalem  
of the peace that waits for them;  
tell her that her sins I cover,  
and her warfare now is over.
  
- 2 Hark, the voice of one that crieth  
in the desert far and near,  
calling us to new repentance  
since the kingdom now is here.  
Oh, that warning cry obey!  
Now prepare for God a way;  
let the valleys rise to meet him  
and the hills bow down to greet him.
  
- 3 Make ye straight what long was crooked,  
make the rougher places plain;  
let your hearts be true and humble,  
as befits his holy reign.  
For the glory of the Lord  
now o'er earth is shed abroad;  
and all flesh shall see the token  
that the word is never broken.

## 9. There's a voice in the wilderness crying

### Hymnal 75

#### ASCENSION

- 1 There's a voice in the wilderness crying,  
a call from the ways untrod:  
Prepare in the desert a highway,  
a highway for our God!  
The valleys shall be exalted,  
the lofty hills brought low;  
make straight all the crooked places  
where the Lord our God may go!
  
- 2 O Zion, that bringest good tidings,  
get thee up to the heights and sing!  
Proclaim to a desolate people  
the coming of their King.  
Like the flowers of the field they perish,  
like grass our works decay,  
the power and pomp of nations  
shall pass like a dream away;
  
- 3 but the word of our God endureth,  
the arm of the Lord is strong;  
he stands in the midst of nations,  
and he will right the wrong.  
He shall feed his flock like a shepherd,  
the lambs he'll gently hold;  
to pastures of peace he'll lead them,  
and bring them safe to his fold.

## 10. On Jordan's Bank

### Hymn 76

#### WINCHESTER NEW

- 1 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry  
announces that the Lord is nigh;  
awake and hearken, for he brings  
glad tidings of the King of kings.
  
- 2 Then cleansed be every breast from sin;  
make straight the way for God within,  
and let each heart prepare a home  
where such a mighty guest may come.
  
- 3 For thou art our salvation, Lord,  
our refuge, and our great reward;  
without thy grace we waste away  
like flowers that wither and decay.

## 11. O Little town of Bethlehem

### Hymn 78

#### FOREST GREEN

- 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.

## 12. Lo, how a Rose e'er Blooming

### Hymn 81

#### ES IST EIN ROS

- 1 Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming  
from tender stem hath sprung!  
Of Jesse's lineage coming  
as seers of old have sung.  
It came, a blossom bright,  
amid the cold of winter,  
when half spent was the night.
  
- 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.
  
- 3 O Flower, whose fragrance tender  
with sweetness fills the air,  
dispel in glorious splendor  
the darkness everywhere;  
true man, yet very God,  
from sin and death now save us,  
and share our every load.

### **13. Of the Father's love begotten**

#### **Hymn 82**

#### **DIVINUM MYSTERIUM**

- 1 Of the Father's love begotten,  
ere the worlds began to be,  
he is Alpha and Omega,  
he the source, the ending he,  
of the things that are, that have been,  
and that future years shall see,  
evermore and evermore!
  
- 2 O that birth for ever blessèd,  
when the Virgin, full of grace,  
by the Holy Ghost conceiving,  
bore the Savior of our race;  
and the Babe, the world's Redeemer,  
first revealed his sacred face,  
evermore and evermore!
  
- 3 Let the heights of heaven adore him;  
angel hosts, his praises sing;  
powers, dominions, bow before him,  
and extol our God and King;  
let no tongue on earth be silent,  
every voice in concert ring,  
evermore and evermore!

## 14. O come, all ye faithful

### Hymn 83

#### ADESTE FIDELES

- 1 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 God 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*



## 15. Hark! the herald angels sing

### Hymn 87

#### MENDELSSOHN

1 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 the angelic host proclaim  
Christ is born in Bethlehem!

#### *Refrain:*

*Hark! the herald angels sing  
glory to the newborn King!*

2 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 the incarnate Deity.  
Pleased as man with man 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!

*Refrain*

## 16. It came upon the midnight clear

### Hymn 89

#### CAROL

- 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, good will 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 hovering wing,  
and ever o’er its Babel-sounds  
the blessed angels sing.
  
- 3 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.

## 17. On this day

### Hymn 92

#### PERSONENT HODIE

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 adored him.

*Refrain*

## 18. Angels, from the realms of Glory

### Hymn 93

#### REGENT SQUARE

- 1 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:

#### *Refrain*

*come and worship, come and worship,  
worship Christ, the newborn King.*

- 2 Shepherds in the field abiding,  
watching o'er your flocks by night,  
God with you is now residing;  
yonder shines the infant Light:

#### *Refrain*

- 3 Saints before the altar bending,  
watching long in hope and fear,  
suddenly the Lord, descending,  
in his temple shall appear:

#### *Refrain*

## **19. While shepherds watched their flocks**

### **Hymn 94**

#### **WINCHESTER OLD**

- 1 While shepherds watched their flocks by night,  
all seated on the ground,  
the angel of the Lord came down,  
and glory shone around.
  
- 2 "Fear not," said he, for mighty dread  
had seized their troubled mind;  
"Glad tidings of great joy I bring  
to you and all mankind".
  
- 3 "All glory be to God on high,  
and on the earth be peace;  
good will henceforth from heaven to men  
begin and never cease."

## 20. Angels we have heard on high

### Hymn 96

#### GLORIA

- 1 Angels we have heard on high,  
singing sweetly through the night,  
and the mountains in reply  
echoing their brave delight.

*Refrain:*

*Gloria in excelsis Deo.*

*Gloria in excelsis Deo.*

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

*Refrain*

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

*Refrain*

## 21. Go tell it on the mountain

### Hymn 99

#### GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

*Refrain:*

*Go tell it on the mountain,  
over the hills and everywhere;  
go tell it on the mountain,  
that Jesus Christ is born!*

1 While shepherds kept their watching  
o'er silent flocks by night,  
behold, throughout the heavens  
there shone a holy light.

*Refrain*

2 The shepherds feared and trembled  
when lo! above the earth  
rang out the angel chorus  
that hailed our Savior's birth.

*Refrain*

3 Down in a lowly manger  
the humble Christ was born,  
and God sent us salvation  
that blessed Christmas morn.

*Refrain*



## 22. Joy to the world

### Hymn 100

#### ANTIOCH

- 1 Joy to the world! the Lord is come:  
let earth receive her King;  
let every 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 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.

## 23. Away in a manger

### Hymn 101

#### CRADLE SONG/MUELLER

- 1 Away in a manger, no crib for his bed,  
the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.  
The stars in the bright 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 side until morning is nigh.
  
- 3 Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask thee to stay  
close by me for ever, and love me I pray.  
Bless all the dear children in thy tender care,  
and fit us for heaven to live with thee there.

## 24. Once in royal David's city

### Hymn 102

#### IRBY

- 1      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.
  
2.      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, the scorned, the lowly  
         lived on earth our Savior holy.
  
3.      We, like Mary, rest confounded  
         that a stable should display  
         heaven's Word, the world's creator,  
         cradled there on Christmas Day,  
         yet this child, our Lord and brother,  
         brought us love for one another.

## 25. God rest you merry gentlemen

### Hymn 105

#### GOD REST YOU MERRY

- 1 God rest you 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 affright;  
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*

## 26. Good Christian friends, rejoice

### Hymn 107

#### IN DULCI JUBILO

- 1 Good Christian friends, rejoice  
with heart and soul and voice;  
give ye heed to what we say:  
Jesus Christ is born today;  
ox and ass before him bow,  
and he is in the manger now.  
Christ is born today!  
Christ is born today!
  
- 2 Good Christian friends, rejoice  
with heart and soul and voice;  
now ye hear of endless bliss;  
Jesus Christ was born for this!  
He hath opened heaven's door,  
and we are blest for evermore.  
Christ was born for this!  
Christ was born for this!
  
- 3 Good Christian friends, rejoice  
with heart and soul and voice;  
now ye need not fear the grave:  
Jesus Christ was born to save!  
Calls you one and calls you all  
to gain his everlasting hall.  
Christ was born to save!  
Christ was born to save!

## 27. The first Nowell

### Hymn 109

#### THE FIRST NOWELL

- 1 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, 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*

## 28. Silent night, holy night

### Hymn 111

#### STILLE NACHT

- 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.
  
- 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.

## 29. In the bleak midwinter

### Hymn 112

#### CRANHAM

- 1 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.
  
- 2 Our God, heaven cannot hold him,  
nor earth sustain;  
heaven and earth shall flee away  
when he comes to reign:  
in the bleak midwinter  
a stable-place sufficed  
the Lord God incarnate,  
Jesus Christ.
  
- 3 What can I give him,  
poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd,  
I would bring a lamb;  
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.



### 30. What child is this

#### Hymn 115

#### GREENSLEEVES

- 1 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.*

- 2 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.

*Refrain*

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### IN THE CHURCH

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

11:15\* a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

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### Christmas Eve

1:00 p.m.\* | A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

3:00 p.m.\* and 5:00 p.m. | A Service of Lessons and Carols

7:00 p.m.\* and 10:00 p.m. | Holy Eucharist Rite II

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### Christmas Day

10:00 a.m. | Holy Eucharist Rite II

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