



MERRY CHRISTMAS



FROM



LARBERT AREA

CHURCHES



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All voices

1. Jingle Bells

Dashing through the snow
In a one-horse open sleigh,
O'er the fields we go,
Laughing all the way.
Bells on bob-tails ring,
Making spirits bright.
What fun it is to ride and sing
A sleighing song tonight, oh!

Refrain:

*Jingle bells, jingle bells,
Jingle all the way.
Oh what fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh, hey!*

*Jingle bells, jingle bells,
Jingle all the way.
Oh what fun it is to ride,
In a one-horse open sleigh.*

*Jingle bells, jingle bells,
Jingle all the way.
Oh what fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh, hey!*

*Jingle bells, jingle bells,
Jingle all the way.
Oh what fun it is to ride,
In a one-horse open sleigh.*

Now the ground is white,
Go it while you're young.
Take the girls tonight,
Sing this sleighing song.
Get a bobtailed bay,
Two forty for his speed,
And hitch him to an open sleigh,
And you will take the lead.
[Refrain]

2. It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas

It's beginning to look a lot like
Christmas
Everywhere you go
Take a look at the five and ten, it's
glistening once again
With candy canes and silver lanes
that glow

It's beginning to look a lot like
Christmas
Toys in every store
But the prettiest sight to see is the
holly that will be
On your own front door

A pair of Hopalong boots and a
pistol that shoots
Is the wish of Barney and Ben
Dolls that'll talk and will go for a
walk
Is the hope of Janice and Jen
And Mom and Dad can hardly wait
for school to start again

It's beginning to look a lot like
Christmas
Everywhere you go
There's a tree in the Grand Hotel,
one in the park as well
It's the sturdy kind that doesn't
mind the snow

It's beginning to look a lot like
Christmas
Soon the bells will start
And the thing that'll make 'em ring
is the carol that you sing
Right within your heart

3. The First Nowell

1 The First Nowell, the Angel 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.

Refrain:

*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]

4 Then let us all with one accord
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord
That hath made Heaven and earth
of nought
And with his blood mankind has
bought. [Refrain]

4. O little town of Bethlehem

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 O morning stars, together
proclaim the holy birth,
and praises sing to God the King
and peace to all the earth.
For Christ is born of Mary,
and, gathered all above
while mortals sleep, the angels
keep
their watch of wond'ring love.

3 How silently, how silently,
the wondrous gift is giv'n!
So God imparts to human hearts
the blessings of his heav'n.
No ear may hear his coming,
but in this world of sin,
where meek souls will receive
him, still
the dear Christ enters in.

4 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;
O come to us, abide with us,
our Lord Immanuel!

5. Deck the Halls

Deck the halls with boughs of
holly,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Tis the season to be jolly,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Don we now our gay apparel,
Fa la la, la la la, la la la.
Troll the ancient Yule tide carol,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.

See the blazing Yule before us,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Strike the harp and join the
chorus.
Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Follow me in merry measure,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.
While I tell of Yule tide treasure,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.

6. 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
To sing a love song
While we stroll along
Walking in a winter wonderland

Refrain:

*In the meadow, we can build a
snowman
We'll 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*

[Repeat refrain]

7. Jingle Bell Rock

Jingle bell, jingle bell, jingle bell
rock
Jingle bells swing and jingle bells
ring
Snowin' and blowin' up bushels of
fun
Now the jingle hop has begun

Jingle bell, jingle bell, jingle bell
rock
Jingle bells chime in jingle bell
time
Dancin' and prancin' in Jingle Bell
Square
In the frosty air

What a bright time, it's the right
time
To rock the night away
Jingle bell time is a swell time
To go glidin' in a one-horse sleigh

Giddy-up jingle horse, pick up
your feet
Jingle around the clock
Mix and a-mingle in the jinglin'
feet
That's the jingle bell,
That's the jingle bell,
That's the jingle bell rock

[Repeat]

8. Away in a manger

(1) Away in a manger
No crib for a 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 You, Lord Jesus
Look down from the sky
And stay by my side
Until morning is nigh

(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

9. Still the night

(1) Still the night, holy the night!
Sleeps the world; hid from sight,
Mary and Joseph in stable bare
watch o'er the child belovèd and
fair,
sleeping in heavenly rest,
sleeping in heavenly rest.

(2) Still the night, holy the night!
Shepherds first saw the light,
heard resounding clear and long,
far and near, the angel-song,
'Christ the Redeemer is here!'
'Christ the Redeemer is here!'

(3) Still the night, holy the night!
Son of God, O how bright
love is smiling from thy face!
Strikes for us now the hour of
grace,
Saviour, since thou art born!
Saviour, since thou art born!

10. Santa Claus is coming to town

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

Oh, he's making a list
And he's checking it twice
He's gonna find out who's naughty
or nice
Santa Claus is coming to town

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

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

[Repeat]

11. Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer

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"

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer
Had a very shiny nose
And if you ever saw it
You would even say it glows

Male voices

12. Good King Wenceslas

Good King Wenceslas looked out
On the Feast of Stephen
When the snow lay round about
Deep and crisp and even
Brightly shone the moon that night
Though the frost was cruel
When a poor man came in sight
Gathering winter fuel

Hither, page, and stand by me,
If thou knowst it, telling
Yonder peasant, who is he?
Where and what his dwelling?
Sire, he lives a good league
hence,
Underneath the mountain
Right against the forest fence
By Saint Agnes fountain.

Bring me flesh and bring me wine
Bring me pine logs hither
Thou and I shall see him dine
When we bear them thither.
Page and monarch, forth they
went
Forth they went together

Through the rude winds wild
lament
And the bitter weather

Sire, the night is darker now
And the wind blows stronger
Fails my heart, I know not how
I can go no longer.
Mark my footsteps, good my page
Tread thou in them boldly
Thou shall find the winters rage
Freeze thy blood less coldly.

In his masters step he trod
Where the snow lay dinted
Heat was in the very sod
Which the Saint had printed
Therefore, Christian men, be sure
Wealth or rank possessing
Ye, who now will bless the poor
Shall yourselves find blessing.

13. Good Christian men, rejoice

1 Good Christian men 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! X 2

2 Good Christian men, rejoice
With heart and soul and voice
Now ye hear of endless bliss
Jesus Christ was born for this
He hath ope'd the heav'nly door
And man is blessed evermore
Christ was born for this x 2

3 Good Christian men, 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 x 2

Female voices

14. Child in the manger

1 Child in the manger,
infant of Mary;
outcast and stranger,
Lord of all;
Child who inherits
all our transgressions,
all our demerits
on Him fall.

2 Once the most holy
Child of salvation
gently and lowly
lived below;
now as our glorious
mighty Redeemer,
see Him victorious
o'er each foe.

3 Prophets foretold Him,
infant of wonder;
angels behold Him
on His throne;
worthy our Savior
of all our praises;
happy forever
are His own.

15. Have yourself a merry little Christmas

Have yourself a merry little
Christmas,
Let your heart be light
From now on,
our troubles will be out of sight

Have yourself a merry little
Christmas,
Make the Yule-tide gay,
From now on,
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.

Through the years
We all will be together,
If the Fates allow
Hang a shining star upon the
highest bough.
And have yourself A merry little
Christmas now.

[Repeat]

All voices

16. Angels from the realms of glory

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 fields abiding,
Watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with man is now residing,
Yonder shines the infant Light;
[Refrain]

3 Wise men, leave your
contemplations,
Brighter visions beam afar;
Seek the great desire of nations,
Ye have seen His natal star;
[Refrain]

17. Ding dong merrily on high

(1) Ding dong merrily on high,
In heav'n the bells are ringing:
Ding dong! verily the sky
Is riv'n with angel singing
Gloria Hosanna in excelsis!

(2) E'en so here below, below,
Let steeple bells be swungen,
And "Io, io, io!"
By priest and people sungen
Gloria Hosanna in excelsis!

(3) Pray you, dutifully prime
Your matin chime, ye ringers,
May you beautifully rhyme
Your eve'time song, ye singers
Gloria Hosanna in excelsis!

18. Hark the herald angels sing

(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 th'angelic hosts 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 th'incarnate Deity,
pleased with us in flesh to dwell,
Jesus, our Immanuel.

[Refrain]

(3) Hail the heaven-born Prince of
Peace!

Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings.
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.

[Refrain]

19. Rockin' around the Christmas Tree

Rockin' around the Christmas tree
At the Christmas party hop
Mistletoe hung where you can see
Every couple tries to stop
Rockin' around the Christmas tree
Let the Christmas spirit ring
Later we'll have some pumpkin
pie
And we'll do some caroling

You will get a sentimental feeling
when you hear
Voices singing, let's be jolly
Deck the halls with boughs of
holly
Rockin' around the Christmas tree
Have a happy holiday
Everyone dancin' merrily
In the new old-fashioned way

[Repeat]

Male voices

20. God rest ye merry, gentlemen

1 God rest ye merry, gentlemen
Let nothing you dismay
For Jesus Christ, our Saviour
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 The shepherds at those tidings
Rejoiced much in mind,
And left their flocks a-feeding
In tempest, storm and wind:
And went to Bethlehem
straightway

This blessed Babe to find.

[Refrain]

4 Now to the Lord sing praises,
All you within this place,
And with true love and
brotherhood

Each other now embrace;
This holy tide of Christmas
All other doth deface. [Refrain]

21. As with gladness men of old

1 As with gladness men of old
did the guiding star behold,
as with joy they hailed its light,
leading onward, beaming bright,
so, most gracious Lord, may we
evermore be led by thee.

2 As with joyful steps they sped,
Saviour, to thy lowly bed,
there to bend the knee before
thee, whom heav'n and earth
adore,
so may we with willing feet
ever seek thy mercy seat.

3 As they offered gifts most rare
at thy cradle, rude and bare,
so may we with holy joy,
pure and free from sin's alloy,
all our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to thee, our heav'nly King.

4 In the heav'nly country bright
need they no created light;
thou its light, its joy, its crown,
thou its sun which goes not down.
There forever may we sing
alleluias to our King!

22. Unto us is born a son

1. Unto us is born a son,
King of choirs supernal:
See on earth his life begun,
Of lords the Lord eternal X 2

2. Christ, from heav'n descending
low,
Comes on earth a stranger;
Ox and ass their Owner know
Now cradled in a manger X 2

3. Of his love and mercy mild
Hear the Christmas story:
O that Mary's gentle Child
Might lead us up to glory! X 2

4. O and A and A and O,
Cantemus in choro,
Voice and organ, sing we so,
Benedicamus Domino. X 2

Femal voices

23. Once in royal David's city

(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 and meek and lowly
lived on earth our Saviour holy.

(3) And our eyes at last shall see
him,
through his own redeeming love;
for that Child so dear and helpless
is our Lord in heaven above;
and he leads his children on
to the place where he is gone.

(4) Not in that poor lowly stable,
with the oxen standing by,
we shall see him; but in heaven,
set at God's right hand on high,
where his children gather round,
bright like stars, with glory
crowned.

24. The Holly and Ivy

1 The holly and the ivy
when they are both full grown,
of all the trees that are in the
wood
the holly bears the crown.

Refrain:
The rising of the sun
and the running of the deer,
the playing of the merry organ,
sweet singing in the choir.

2 The holly bears a blossom,
white as the lily flower,
and Mary bore sweet Jesus
Christ,
to be our sweet Saviour. [Refrain]

3 The holly bears a berry,
as red as any blood,
and Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ

to do poor sinners good. [Refrain]

4 The holly and the ivy,
when they are both full grown,
of all the trees that are in the
wood
The holly bears the crown.
[Refrain]

25. Frosty the Snowman

1 Frosty the Snowman
Was a jolly happy soul
With a corn cob pipe and a button
nose
And two eyes made out of coal

2 Frosty the Snowman
Is a fairytale they say
He was made of snow, but the
children know
How he came to life one day

3 There must have been some
magic
In that old top hat they found
For when they placed it on his
head
He began to dance around

4 Oh, 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

All voices

26. 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.
We wish you a merry Christmas
And a Happy New Year!

Oh, bring us some figgy pudding
Oh, bring us some figgy pudding
Oh, bring us some figgy pudding
And bring it right here!

Good tidings we bring to you and
your kin.
We wish you a merry Christmas
And a Happy New Year!

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 it right here!

Good tidings we bring to you and
your kin.
We wish you a merry Christmas
And a Happy New Year!

We all like our figgy pudding
We all like our figgy pudding
We all like our figgy pudding
With all its good cheer!

Good tidings we bring to you and
your kin
We wish you a merry Christmas
And a Happy New Year!

We wish you a Merry Christmas
We wish you a Merry Christmas
We wish you a Merry Christmas
And a Happy New Year!

27. O come, all ye faithful

(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, (X 3)
Christ the Lord.*

(2) God of God, light of light,
Lo, he abhors not the Virgin's
womb;
Very God, begotten, not created:
[Refrain]

(3) Sing, choirs of angels, sing in
exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of Heaven
above!
Glory to God, glory in the highest:
[Refrain]

*Celebrate the birth of Jesus at the
Larbert Area churches over the
Christmas season:*

- *Dawson Community Church*
- *Falkirk Free Church*
- *Found Church*
- *Hope Community Church*
- *Larbert Baptist Church*
- *Larbert Cross Parish Church*
- *Our Lady of Lourdes and St.
Bernadette RC Church*
- *Tryst Church*