

# Luke 2 Christmas Program

## Christ Born of Mary

**2** And it came to pass in those days *that* a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. <sup>2</sup>This census first took place while Quirinius was governing Syria. <sup>3</sup>So all went to be registered, everyone to his own city.

<sup>4</sup>Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, <sup>5</sup>to be registered with Mary, his betrothed wife,<sup>[a]</sup> who was with child. <sup>6</sup>So it was, that while they were there, the days were completed for her to be delivered. <sup>7</sup>And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

### **O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM (Mike L.)**

Verse 1

**D** **Em**  
O little town of Bethlehem  
**D** **A7** **D**  
How still we see thee lie  
**D** **B7** **Em**  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
**D** **A7** **D**  
The silent stars go by  
**Bm** **F#**  
Yet in thy dark streets shineth  
**Bm** **F#**  
The everlasting Light  
**D** **Em**  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
**D** **A7** **D**  
Are met in thee tonight

Verse 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

### **AWAY IN A MANGER**

**D** **G** **D**  
Away in a manger, No crib for a bed,

**G** **D** **Em** **A**  
The little Lord Jesus, Lay down his sweet head.

**D** **G** **D**  
The stars in the bright sky, Looked down where he lay

**G** **D** **A7** **D**  
The little Lord Jesus, Asleep on the hay.

The cattle a-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 bedside, 'Til morning is Nigh.

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.

### **THE FIRST NOEL**

**D** **A** **G** **D**  
The First Noel, the Angels did say

**G** **D** **G D/F#** **Em** **D**  
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay

**D A G D**

In fields where they may keep their sheep

**G D G D/F# Em D**

On a cold winter's night that was so deep

**Bm D G D**

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel

**G D G D/F# Em D**

Born is the King of Is - ra - el!

### **WHAT CHILD IS THIS**

**Em D Bm**

What Child is this who, laid to rest

**Em C B**

On Mary's lap is sleeping?

**Em G D Bm**

Whom Angels greet with anthems sweet,

**Em Bm Em**

While shepherds watch are keeping?

### **CHORUS**

**G D Bm**

This, this is Christ the King,

**Em C B**

Whom shepherds guard and Angels sing;

**G D Bm**

Haste, haste, to bring Him laud,

**Em B Em**

The Babe, the Son of Mary.

**Em G D Bm**

So bring Him incense, gold and myrrh,

**Em C B**

Come peasant, king to own Him;

**Em G D Bm**  
The King of kings salvation brings,  
**Em Bm Em**  
Let loving hearts enthrone Him. (Repeat Chorus)

## Glory in the Highest

<sup>8</sup> Now there were in the same country shepherds living out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. <sup>9</sup> And behold,<sup>[b]</sup> an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were greatly afraid. <sup>10</sup> Then the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. <sup>11</sup> For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. <sup>12</sup> And this *will be* the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger."

<sup>13</sup> And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying:

<sup>14</sup> "Glory to God in the highest,  
And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!"

## **WHILE SHEPHERDS WATCHED THEIR FLOCKS BY NIGHT (Carmen)**

**C F C**  
While shepherds watched their flocks by night,  
**C Dm G**  
All seated on the ground,  
**G C7 Dm G C**  
The angel of the Lord came down,  
**C F C**  
And glory shone around,  
**Dm C G C**  
And glory shone around.

VERSE 2:

**C F C**  
"Fear not," said he (for mighty dread  
**C Dm G**  
had seized their troubled mind);  
**G C7 Dm G C**  
"Glad tidings of great joy I bring  
**C F C**  
To you and all mankind,  
**Dm C G C**  
To you and all mankind."

### ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

**D A7 D**  
Angels we have heard on high  
**D A7 D**  
Sweetly singing o'er the plains  
**D(Bm) A7 D**  
And the mountains in reply  
**D A7 D**  
Echoing their joyous strains.

**D B7 Em A7 D G A**  
Glo-----ria  
**D A D G D A**  
in excelsis De--o,

**D B7 Em A7 D G A**  
Glo-----ria  
**D A D G D A7 D**

in excelsis De---o.

## **HARK THE HERALD ANGELS SING**

**D**                                **A D G D A D**  
Hark! The Herald angels sing glory to the newborn king  
**D**                                **Bm7 E7 A E7 A**  
Peace on earth and mercy mild. God and sinners reconciled.  
**D**                                **A7 D A D A7 D A**  
Joyful all ye nations rise,     join the triumph of the skies,  
**G D Em B7 Em A7 D A D**  
With th'angelic host proclaim, Christ is born in Bethlehem!  
**G D Em B7 Em A7 D A7 D**  
Hark! The Herald angels sing,     Glory to the newborn king.

## **JOY TO THE WORLD**

**D**                                **G D**  
Joy to the world, the Lord is come!  
**G A D**  
Let earth receive her King;  
**D**  
Let every heart prepare Him room,  
**D**  
And Heaven and nature sing,  
**A A**  
And Heaven and nature sing,  
**D G D A D**  
And Heaven, and Heaven, and nature sing.

**D**                                **G D**  
Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!  
**G A D**  
Let men their songs employ;  
**D**  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains

**D**  
 Repeat the sounding joy,  
**A A**  
 Repeat the sounding joy,  
**D G D A D**  
 Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

**D G D**  
 He rules the world with truth and grace,  
**G A D**  
 And makes the nations prove  
**D**  
 The glories of His righteousness,  
**D**  
 And wonders of His love,  
**A A**  
 And wonders of His love,  
**D G D A D**  
 And wonders, wonders, of His love.

<sup>15</sup>So it was, when the angels had gone away from them into heaven, that the shepherds said to one another, "Let us now go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has come to pass, which the Lord has made known to us." <sup>16</sup>And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger. <sup>17</sup>Now when they had seen *Him*, they made widely<sup>[d]</sup> known the saying which was told them concerning this Child. <sup>18</sup>And all those who heard *it* marveled at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

### **O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL (Bob & Diana)**

**D A**  
 O come, all ye faithful  
**D A D G D A**  
 Joyful and triumphant

**Bm E A D A D A E A**

O come ye, oh come ye to Be--thlehem

**D G D A7 D**

Come and behold Him

**A D Bm E A**

Born the King of angels

**D A D A D**

Oh come let us adore Him

**D A D A7 D A**

Oh come let us adore Him

**D/C# A7 D A E7 A D G**

Oh come let us adore Him

**D A D**

Christ the Lord

## **WE THREE KINGS**

**Bm F#7 Bm**

We three kings of Orient are  
Bearing gifts we traverse afar.

**Bm A D**

Field and fountain, moor and mountain,

**Em Bm F#7 Bm**

Following yonder star.

**A A7 D G D**

Oh, star of wonder, star of night,



**G D**  
 Star with royal beauty bright,  
**Bm A G A**  
 Westward leading, still proceeding,  
**D G D**  
 Guide us to thy perfect Light.

**Bm F#7 Bm**  
 Born a king on Bethlehem's plain,  
 Gold I bring to crown Him again,  
**Bm A D**  
 King forever, ceasing never  
**Em Bm F#7 Bm**  
 Over us all to reign.

**A A7 D G D**  
 Oh, star of wonder, star of night,  
**G D**  
 Star with royal beauty bright,  
**Bm A G A**  
 Westward leading, still proceeding,  
**D G D**  
 Guide us to thy perfect Light

## **GOD REST YE MERRY GENTLEMEN**

Intro: **Am E Am E Am E Am E**

V1

**Am E Am E F E**  
 God rest ye merry, gentlemen, Let nothing you dismay,  
**Am E Am E F E**  
 Remember Christ our Saviour, Was born upon this day;  
**F C Am G**  
 To save us all from Satan's power, When we were gone astray.  
**C G Am G**  
 O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy,  
**C G Am E Am E**  
 O tidings of comfort and joy!

V2

Am E Am E F E  
From God our heavenly Father, This blessed angel came;  
Am E Am E F E  
And unto certain shepherds, Brought tidings of the same;  
F C Am G  
How that in Bethlehem was born, The Son of God by name.  
C G Am G  
O tidings of comfort and joy ,comfort and joy,  
C G Am E Am E  
O tidings of comfort and joy!

### CHORUS

G C F C C F C  
O, star of wonder, star of night, Star with royal beauty bright,  
Am G C F E  
Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to thy perfect light.

### GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

#### Chorus

D A D  
Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;  
D A7 D  
Go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.

D A D  
While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night,  
A A7  
Behold throughout the heavens there shone a Holy Light. (Repeat Chorus)

**D** **A** **D**  
The shepherds feared and trembled when lo! Above the earth,  
**A** **A7**  
Rang out the angel chorus that hailed our Saviour's birth. (Repeat Chorus)

**D** **A** **D**  
Down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born  
**A** **A7**  
And brought us God's salvation that blessed Christmas morn! (Repeat Chorus)

<sup>19</sup>But Mary kept all these things and pondered *them* in her heart. <sup>20</sup>Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told them.

### MARY DID YOU KNOW (Mike L)

**Em** **D2**  
Mary, did you know that your baby boy  
**Am7** **B7**  
Would someday walk on water  
**Em** **D2**  
Mary, did you know that your baby boy  
**Am7** **B7**  
Would save our sons and daughters?  
**C** **D** **G** **D/F#** **Em**  
Did you know that your baby boy has come to make you new?  
**Am** **B7**  
This child that you've delivered will soon deliver you

**Em** **D2**  
Mary, did you know that your baby boy  
**Am7** **B7**  
Will give sight to a blind man?  
**Em** **D2**  
Mary, did you know that your baby boy  
**Am7** **B7**  
Would calm the sea with his hand  
**C** **D** **G** **D/F#** **Em**  
Did you know that your baby boy has walked where angels trod?

**Am**  
When you've kissed your little baby  
**B7**  
Then you've kissed the face of God

**C** **D**  
The blind will see, the deaf will hear  
**G G/F# Em**  
The dead will live again  
**C** **D**  
The lame will leap, the dumb will speak  
**Am B7**  
The praises of the Lamb

**Em D2**  
Mary, did you know that your baby boy  
**Am B7**  
Is Lord of all creation?

**Em D2**  
Mary did you know that your baby boy  
**Am B7**  
Will one day rule the nations?

**Am B7 Em**  
This sleeping child you're holding is the great "I Am"?

### **O HOLY NIGHT (Carmen)**

**C** **F** **C**  
O holy night, the stars are brightly shining;  
**C** **G** **C**  
It is the night of the dear Savior's birth.  
**C** **F** **C** **C7**  
Long lay the world in sin and error pining,  
**Em** **B** **Em**  
Till he appeared and the soul felt its worth.  
**G** **C**  
A thrill of hope, the weary soul rejoices,  
**G** **C**  
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn.

**Am** **Em**  
Fall on your knees,

**Dm**          **Am**  
Oh, hear the angel voices!  
**C G**      **C F**  
O night divine,  
**C**                  **G**                  **C**  
O night when Christ was born!  
**G G7**      **C**                          **G**      **C**  
O night, O holy night, O night divine!

Verse 2

Led by the light of faith serenely beaming,  
With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand.  
O'er the world a star is sweetly gleaming,  
Now come the wisemen from out of the Orient land.  
The King of kings lay thus lowly manger;  
In all our trials born to be our friends.  
He knows our need, our weakness is no stranger,  
Behold your King! Before him lowly bend!

Verse 3

Truly He taught us to love one another,  
His law is love and His gospel is peace.  
Chains he shall break, for the slave is our brother.  
And in his name all oppression shall cease.  
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,  
With all our hearts we praise His holy name.  
Christ is the Lord! Then ever, ever praise we,  
His power and glory ever more proclaim!

**SILENT NIGHT (Bob & Diana)**

**D**                                  **A**                  **D**  
Silent night! Holy night! All is calm all is bright  
**G**                                  **D**                                  **G**                                  **D**  
Round yon virgin mother and child, Holy infant so tender and mild  
**A**                                  **D Bm**      **D**                  **A**                  **D**  
Sleep in heavenly peace! Sleep in heavenly peace!

Silent night! Holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight  
Glories stream from heaven afar, Heavenly hosts sing Hallelujah  
Christ the Saviour is born! Christ the Saviour 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!