

# **Hark! The Herald Angels Sing**

*UMH 240*

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 angelic hosts proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem."  
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

Christ, by highest heav'n adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord;  
Late in time behold Him come, Offspring of a virgin's womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see, Hail, the incarnate Deity!  
Pleased with us in flesh to dwell, Jesus our Emmanuel.  
Hark! the herald angels sing, "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 we no more may die;  
Born to raise us from the earth, Born to give us second birth.  
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

## Luke 2:1-20

<sup>1</sup> Now in those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus, that a census be taken of all the inhabited earth. <sup>2</sup> This was the first census taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. <sup>3</sup> And everyone was on his way to register for the census, each to his own city. <sup>4</sup> Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, <sup>5</sup> in order to register along with Mary, who was engaged to him, and was with child. <sup>6</sup> While they were there, the days were completed for her to give birth. <sup>7</sup> And she gave birth to her firstborn son; and she wrapped Him in cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. <sup>8</sup> In the same region there were some shepherds staying out in the fields and keeping watch over their flock by night. <sup>9</sup> And an angel of the Lord suddenly stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them; and they were terribly frightened. <sup>10</sup> But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people; <sup>11</sup> for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. <sup>12</sup> "This will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." <sup>13</sup> And suddenly there appeared 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 among men with whom He is pleased." <sup>15</sup> When the angels had gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds began saying to one another, "Let us go straight to Bethlehem then, and see this thing that has happened which the Lord has made known to us." <sup>16</sup> So they came in a hurry and found their way to Mary and Joseph, and the baby as He lay in the manger. <sup>17</sup> When they had seen this, they made known the statement which had been told them about this Child. <sup>18</sup> And all who heard it wondered at the things which were told them by the shepherds. <sup>19</sup> But Mary treasured all these things, pondering them in her heart. <sup>20</sup> The shepherds went back, glorifying and praising God for all that they had heard and seen, just as had been told them.

## **Silent Night, Holy Night**

*UMH 239*

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 afar, 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.

Silent night, holy night, Wondrous star, lend thy light.  
With the angels, let us sing, Alleluia to our King.  
Christ the Savior is born; Christ the Savior is born.

## **Joy to the World**

*UMH 246*

Joy to the world! the Lord is come; Let earth receive her King.  
Let every 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 world! The Savior reigns; Let all 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, and wonders of His love.