



# Christmas

WITH SHEPHERD

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## **Merry Christmas, Shepherd family!**

Thank you for being the Church, spreading the cheer of the Christmas season by caroling to Shepherd families and your neighborhood. Your gift of presence helps others be seen and reminds them that Jesus' birth brings hope, peace, love, comfort, and joy to the world.

On the following pages, you'll find the lyrics to Christmas favorites along with some instructions and tips we've learned along the way. Gather your family, friends, small group, or neighbors to have some fun together this season.

Wishing you and yours a wonderful Christmas,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeremey", with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Pastor Jeremey

## 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

## 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 afar  
Heav'nly hosts sing alleluia  
Christ the Savior is born  
Christ the Savior is born

## Away in 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

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

## 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

## Hark the Herald Angels Sing

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

## Angels We Have Heard on High

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

Gloria, In excelsis Deo  
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Come to Bethlehem and see  
Christ whose birth the angels  
sing  
Come adore on bended knee  
Christ the Lord the newborn King

Gloria, In excelsis Deo  
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## The First Noel

The first Noel 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

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

Noel Noel Noel Noel  
Born is the King of Israel

## 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

## Have a Great Caroling Experience!

- ★ If you're able, call ahead to say you are coming. This helps you know if someone will be home and can ensure access to apartment or senior living complexes.
- ★ Keep your visit and singing simple, short, and sweet. Wonderful singing voices are not required! It's hard for people to stand in the cold, so select just a few songs to sing and keep caroling to 2–3 minutes total.
- ★ Kids, jingle bells, battery-operated candles, instruments, and holiday attire are encouraged!
- ★ Consider bringing a tangible gift—cookies, a poinsettia, or an ornament are great options.
- ★ Caroling late at night won't provide the best experience. Aim to start late afternoon or early evening and finish by 7:30pm. Have fun!





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