Christmas Day
Choral Fantasy on Old Carols

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Good Christian men, rejoice
friends

With heart, and soul, and man.

Give ye heed to what we say:
News! News! 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!

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Good Christian men, rejoice With heart, and soul, and voice;

Give ye heed to what we say: News! News! Jesus Christ is born today:
Ox and ass before Him bow, and He is in the manger now, Christ is born to-

do! Christ is born to-day!

day! Christ is born to-day!

* if solo, Holst's instructions are that the soloist is placed away from the choir.
take nothing you dismay, Remember Christ our Saviour Was born on Christmas day, To

save us all from woe and sin, When we were gone as tray. O tidings of comfort and

joy, comfort and joy, O tidings of comfort and joy.
if desired, this may be sung by solo quartet

S.  

In Beth-le-hem, in Jew-ry, This bless-ed Babe was born, And laid with-in a

A.  

In Beth-le-hem, in Jew-ry, This bless-ed Babe was born, And laid with-in a

T.  

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In Beth-le-hem, in Jew-ry, This bless-ed Babe was born, And laid with-in a

B.  

In Beth-le-hem, in Jew-ry, This bless-ed Babe was born, And laid with-in a

man-ger, Up-on that ho-ly morn; The which His Mo-ther, Ma-ry, Did

A.  

man-ger, Up-on that ho-ly morn; The which His Mo-ther, Ma-ry, Did

T.  

man-ger, Up-on that ho-ly morn; The which His Mo-ther, Ma-ry, Did

B.  

man-ger, Up-on that ho-ly morn; The which His Mo-ther, Ma-ry, Did
no thing take in scorn. O__ ti dings of com fort and joy, com fort and joy, O__ ti dings of com fort and joy.
Good Christian men, rejoice,
With heart, and soul, and voice;
Now ye hear of endless bliss:

joyce, With heart, and soul, and voice; Now ye hear of endless bliss:

joyce, With heart, and soul, and voice; Now ye hear of endless bliss:

joyce, With heart, and soul, and voice; Now ye hear of endless bliss:
Joy! Joy! Jesus Christ was born for this! He hath oped the heav'nly door, And man is blessed evermore.

Joy! Joy! Jesus Christ was born for this! He hath oped the heav'nly door, And man is blessed evermore.

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Joy! Joy! Jesus Christ was born for this! He hath oped the heav'nly door, And man is blessed evermore.
Come, ye lofty, come, ye lowly, Let your songs of gladness ring;

In a stable lies the Holy, In a manger rests the King:

See, in Mary's arms resting, Christ by highest heav'n adored:
Come, your circle round Him closing, Pious hearts that love the Lord.

Come, ye poor, no pomp of station Robes the Child your hearts adore:

The first No - well the an - gels did

mp solo or section

man.
say, Was to certain poor

He, the Lord of all salvation, Shares your want, is weak and poor:

shepherds in fields as they

Oxen, round about behold them; Rafterd naked, cold and bare,

lay; In fields where

See the shepherds, God has told them That the Prince of Life lies there.
they lay keeping their

Come, ye children, blithe and merry, This one Child your model make;

They lay keeping their

Come, ye children, blithe and merry, This one Child your model make;

Come, ye children, blithe and merry, This one Child your model make;

On a cold winter's night that was so

Come, ye gentle hearts, and tender, Come ye spirits, keen and bold;

Christmassolly, leaf, and berry, All be praised for His dear sake;

Sheep, On a cold winter's

Christmassolly, leaf, and berry, All be praised for His dear sake;

Sheep, On a cold winter's

Christmassolly, leaf, and berry, All be praised for His dear sake;
No well, No -

All in all your homage render, Weak and mighty, young and old.

Piu mosso

High above a star is shining, And the Wise-men haste from far:

Piu mosso

well,

No well, no -

ped.
Come, glad hearts, and spirits pining: For you all has ris'n the star.

Let us bring our poor oblations, Thanks and love and faith and praise:

Born is the
Allegro $d = 104$

come, ye peo- ple, come, ye na- tions, All in all draw night to gaze.

King______ of Is - ra - el,

born is the

No - well,____ No - well,____

Born is the King____ of Is - ra - el,

No - well,____ No - well,____

King____ of Is - ra - el, born is the King____ of
poco rit.  

Tempo primo, ma maestoso

S.

A.

T.

B.

poco rit.  

Tempo primo, ma maestoso

No - well, ______ No - well.

born is the King ______ of Is - ra - el.

well, ______ No - well. Good Christ - ian men, re - joice ______ with

Is - ra - el, Good Christ - ian men, re - joice ______ with

poco rit.  

Tempo primo, ma maestoso

News! News!

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heart, and soul, and voice;  

Give ye heed to what we say:

heart, and soul, and voice;  

Give ye heed to what we say:
S. 167 ff

News! News! Jesus Christ is born to-day: Ox and ass before Him bow, And He is in the

A.

ff

News! News! Jesus Christ is born to-day: Ox and ass before Him bow, And He is in the

T. 8

Jesus Christ is born to-day: Ox and ass before Him bow, And He is in the

B.

Jesus Christ is born to-day: Ox and ass before Him bow, And He is in the

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fore Him bow, And He is in the manger now. Christ is born to-day!

A.

fore Him bow, And He is in the manger now. Christ is born to-day!

T.

manger now. Christ is born to-day! Christ is born to-day!

B.

manger now. Christ is born to-day! Christ is born to-day!
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Christ is born to-day! Good Christian men, rejoice With heart, and soul, and voice;

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Now ye hear of endless bliss: Joy! Joy! Jesus Christ was born for this!
He hath o'pen the heav'n-ly door, And man is bless-ed ev-er-more. Christ was born for this!

*see instructions, page 3*
you within this place, And with true love and brotherhood Each other now embrace; This

Born is the King

holy tide of Christmas All others doth de-face. O tidings of comfort and
210  S.  

Is - ra - el.

B.  

joy, com - fort and joy,  O - ti - dings of com - fort and joy.

morendo

215  Piu lento  \( \text{\textfrac{1}{4}} = 66 \)

S.  

e l.

A.  

solo or section  \( p \)

Good Chris - tian men,  re - joice  With

B.  

Piu lento  \( \text{\textfrac{1}{4}} = 66 \)

man.

221  A.  

heart, and soul, and voice;  Now ye need not fear the grave: Peace! Peace!

A.  

...
Jesus Christ was born to save! Calls you one, and calls you all, To gain His ever-

last - ing hall:

Christ was born to save!

*if the preceeding page was not sung as a solo, divide the altos here.