

# The heavenly Birth

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*mp*

1. Hail this ho - ly Christ - mas sea - son When the Heav'n - ly Birth we

The first system of music is in 3/4 time, marked *mp*. It features a treble and bass staff with a key signature of three flats. The melody is in the treble staff, and the accompaniment is in the bass staff. The lyrics are: "1. Hail this ho - ly Christ - mas sea - son When the Heav'n - ly Birth we".

8

sing, Lit - tle Beth - l'hem now tri - um - phant Gaze up - on thy

The second system of music starts at measure 8. The melody continues in the treble staff, and the accompaniment continues in the bass staff. The lyrics are: "sing, Lit - tle Beth - l'hem now tri - um - phant Gaze up - on thy".

15

Sa - viour King, Who with - in a man - ger low - ly

The third system of music starts at measure 15. The melody continues in the treble staff, and the accompaniment continues in the bass staff. The lyrics are: "Sa - viour King, Who with - in a man - ger low - ly".

21

Deigns His In - fant Form to lay, Cast - ing off His

The fourth system of music starts at measure 21. The melody continues in the treble staff, and the accompaniment continues in the bass staff. The lyrics are: "Deigns His In - fant Form to lay, Cast - ing off His".

27

Roy - al Glo - ry While He wills on earth to stay.

The fifth system of music starts at measure 27. The melody continues in the treble staff, and the accompaniment continues in the bass staff. The lyrics are: "Roy - al Glo - ry While He wills on earth to stay."

2. In this Holy Babe are gathered  
All God's promises of old,  
All that patriarchs had spoken,  
All that prophets had foretold.  
Man's Redeemer lying meekly  
On His gentle Mother's arm,  
Son of David, loving Shepherd,  
Shedding o'er us peace and calm.
  
3. See! the heavens wide are op'ning  
To disclose an angel throng,  
And the silent night is broken,  
With a joyful, holy song.  
Shepherds hear those blessed tidings,  
In their ears the message rings,  
And to Bethl'hem now they hasten  
To adore the King of kings.
  
4. Others, too, will come to seek Him,  
Come to offer worship sweet;  
At the brightness of His rising  
Wise men bow before His feet.  
Bearing gifts of fragrant beauty,  
They will unto Bethl'hem speed,  
And the moving star above them  
To the "Morning Star" will lead.
  
5. Shall not we, in rev'rent homage  
Likewise haste our King to find?  
Wilt not Thou, Lord, gladly great us,  
Thou so gracious and so kind?  
Ere the angels cease their singing  
We, too, praise Thee and adore,  
And while Christmas bells are ringing  
We would learn to love Thee more.