### December 1 O Come, O Come Emmanuel

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel, That mourns in lonely exile here Until the Son of God appear.

#### Refrain

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel.

- 2. O come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free Thine own from Satan's tyranny; From depths of hell Thy people save, And give them victory o'er the grave. *Refrain*
- 3. O come, Thou Dayspring, come and cheer Our spirits by Thine advent here; Disperse the gloomy clouds of night And death's dark shadows put to flight! *Refrain*
- 4. O come, Thou Key of David, come, And open wide our heavenly home; Make safe the way that leads on high, And close the path to misery. *Refrain*
- 5. O come, O come, Thou Lord of Might, Who to Thy tribes on Sinai's height In ancient times didst give the law In cloud, and majesty, and awe. *Refrain*

#### December 2 Deck the Halls

- 1. Deck the hall with boughs of holly, Fa la la la la, la la la la. Don we now our gay apparel, Fa la la, la la la, la la la. Troll the ancient Christmas carol, Fa la la la la, la la la la.
- 2. See the blazing yule before us, Fa-la-la-la, la-la-la, la-la-la, Strike the harp and join the chorus, Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la Follow me in merry measure, Fa-la-la, la-la-la, la-la-la While I tell of Christmas treasure, Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la
- 3. Fast away the old year passes, Fa-la-la-la, la-la-la, la-la-la, Hail the new, ye lads and lasses, Fa-la-la-la, la-la-la, la-la-la Sing we joyous all together, Fa-la-la, la-la-la, la-la-la Heedless of the wind and weather, Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la

# December 3 Carol of the Bells

Hark! How the bells, sweet silver bells, all seem to say, throw cares away.

Christmas is here, bringing good cheer, to young and old, meek and the bold,

Oh how they pound, raising the sound, o'er hill and dale, telling their tale,

Gaily they ring, while people sing songs of good cheer, Christmas is here,

Merry, merry, merry, merry Christmas, Merry, merry, merry, merry Christmas,

On, on they send, on without end, their joyful tone to every home,

Dong ding dong ding, dong bong.

# December 4 The Holly and the Ivy

1. The holly and the ivy, Now both are full well grown. Of all the trees that are in the wood, The holly bears the crown.

#### Chorus

Oh, the rising of the sun, The running of the deer. The playing of the merry organ, Sweet singing in the choir.

- 2. The holly bears a blossom As white as lily flower; And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ To be our sweet Savior. *Chorus*
- 3. The holly bears a berry As red as any blood; And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ To do poor sinners good. *Chorus*
- 4. The holly bears a prickle As sharp as any thorn; And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ On Christmas day in the morn. *Chorus*
- 5. The holly bears a bark
  As bitter as any gall;
  And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
  For to redeem us all. *Chorus*
- 6. The holly and the ivy, When they are both full grown, Of all the trees that are in the wood, The holly bears the crown. *Chorus*

# December 5 Good Christian Men, Rejoice

- 1. Good Christian men, rejoice With heart and soul and voice, Give ye heed to what we say: News! News! News!

  Jesus Christ was Born today!
  Ox and ass before Him bow, And He is in the manger now; Christ is born today!
  Christ is born today.
- 2. Good Christian men, rejoice With heart and soul and voice; Now ye hear of endless bliss; Joy! Joy! Jesus Christ was born for this! He hath open'd the heav'nly door And man is blessed evermore. Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
- 3. Good Christian men, rejoice With heart and soul and voice; Now ye need not fear the grave; Peace! Peace! Jesus Christ was born to save! Calls you one and calls you all To gain his everlasting hall. Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

# December 6 Up on the Housetop

1. Up on the housetop reindeer pause, Out jumps good old Santa Claus. Down thru the chimney with lots of toys, All for the little ones, Christmas joys.

#### Chorus

Ho, ho, ho! Who wouldn't go.
Ho, ho, ho! Who wouldn't go!
Up on the housetop, click, click, click.
Down thru the chimney with good Saint Nick.

- 2. First comes the stocking of little Nell; Oh, dear Santa, fill it well; Give her a dolly that laughs and cries, One that will open and shut her eyes. *Chorus*
- 3. Look in the stocking of little Bill; Oh, just see that glorious fill! Here is a hammer and lots of tacks, a whistle and a ball and a set of jacks. *Chorus*

## December 7 Hark the Herald Angels Sing

1. Hark! the Herald Angels sing, Glory to the new-born King, Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinner reconcil'd.

#### Chorus

Hark! the Herald Angels sing, Glory to the new-born King.

- 2. Joyful all ye nations rise, Join the triumph of the skies, With the angelic host proclaim, Christ is born in Bethlehem. *Chorus*
- 3. Christ by highest Heaven ador'd, Christ the everlasting Lord! Late in time behold him come, Offspring of a Virgin's womb. *Chorus*
- 4. Hail the Heaven-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of righteousness! Light and life to all he brings, Risen with healing in his wings. *Chorus*
- 5. Mild he lays his glory by, Born that man no more may die, Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them second birth. *Chorus*

# December 8 How Great Our Joy

While by the sheep we watched at night, Glad tidings brought an angel bright.

#### Refrain

How great our joy! (Great our joy!) Joy, joy, joy! (Joy, joy, joy!) Praise we the Lord in heaven on high! (Praise we the Lord in heaven on high!)

There shall be born, so he did say, In Bethlehem a Child today. *Refrain* 

There shall the Child lie in a stall, This Child who shall redeem us all. *Refrain* 

This gift of God we'll cherish well, That ever joy our hearts shall fill. *Refrain* 

# December 9 O Christmas Tree

- 1. O Christmas Tree, O Christmas tree, How lovely are your branches!
  O Christmas Tree, O Christmas tree, How lovely are your branches!
  In beauty green will always grow Through summer sun and winter snow.
  O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree, How lovely are your branches!
- 2. O Christmas Tree, O Christmas tree, You are the tree most loved! O Christmas Tree, O Christmas tree, You are the tree most loved! How often you give us delight In brightly shining Christmas light! O Christmas Tree, O Christmas tree, You are the tree most loved!
- 3. O Christmas Tree, O Christmas tree, Your beauty green will teach me O Christmas Tree, O Christmas tree, Your beauty green will teach me That hope and love will ever be The way to joy and peace for me. O Christmas Tree, O Christmas tree, Your beauty green will teach me.

#### December 10 Pat-a-Pan

- 1. Willie, get your little drum, Robin, bring your flute and come. Aren't they fun to play upon? Tu-re-lu-re-lu, pat-a-pat-a-pan; When you play your fife and drum, How can anyone be glum?
- 2. When the men of olden days
  Gave the King of Kings their praise,
  They had pipes to play upon.
  Tu-re-lu-re-lu, pat-a-pat-a-pan;
  And also the drums they'd play,
  Full of joy, on Christmas Day.
- 3. God and man today become Closely joined as flute and drum. Let the joyous tune play on! Tu-re-lu-re-lu, pat-a-pat-a-pan; As the instruments you play, We will sing, this Christmas Day.

### December 11 O Come, All Ye Faithful

1. 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;

Refrain
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord.

- 2. True God of true God, Light from Light Eternal, Lo, He shuns not the Virgin's womb; Son of the Father, begotten, not created; *Chorus*
- 3. Sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation; Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above! Glory to God, In the highest; *Chorus*
- 4. Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, Born this happy morning; Jesus, to Thee be all glory given; Word of the Father, Now in flesh appearing. *Chorus*

# December 12 It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

- 1. It came upon the midnight clear, That glorious song of old, From angels bending near the earth, To touch their harps of gold; "Peace on the earth, good will to men, From heaven's all gracious King." The world in solemn stillness lay, To hear the angels sing.
- 2. Still through the cloven skies they come, With peaceful wings unfurl And still their heavenly music floats, O'er all the weary world. Above its sad and lowly plains, They bend on hovering wing And ever o'er its Babel sounds, The blessed angels sing.
- 3. Yet with the woes of sin and strife, The world has suffered long; Beneath the angel-strain have rolled, Two thousand years of wrong; And man, at war with man, hears not, The love song which they bring: O hush the noise, ye men of strife, And hear the angels sing.
- 4. And ye, beneath life's crushing load, Whose forms are bending low Who toil along the climbing way With painful steps and slow Look now! for glad and golden hours Come swiftly on the wing O rest beside the weary road And hear the angels sing.

5. For lo! the days are hastening on, By prophet bards foretold, When, with the ever-circling years, Shall come the Age of Gold; When peace shall over all the earth, Its ancient splendors fling, And all the world give back the song, Which now the angels sing.

### December 13 I Saw Three Ships

- I saw three ships come sailing in,
   On Christmas day, on Christmas day,
   I saw three ships come sailing in,
   On Christmas day in the morning.
- 2. And what was in those ships all three? On Christmas day, on Christmas day, And what was in those ships all three? On Christmas day in the morning.
- 3. Our Saviour Christ and his lady On Christmas day, on Christmas day, Our Saviour Christ and his lady, On Christmas day in the morning.
- 4. Pray whither sailed those ships all three?On Christmas day, on Christmas day,Pray whither sailed those ships all three?On Christmas day in the morning.
- 5. Oh, they sailed into Bethlehem,On Christmas day, on Christmas day,Oh, they sailed into Bethlehem,On Christmas day in the morning.
- And all the bells on earth shall ring,
   On Christmas day, on Christmas day,
   And all the bells on earth shall ring,
   On Christmas day in the morning.
- 7. And all the Angels in Heaven shall sing, On Christmas day, on Christmas day, And all the Angels in Heaven shall sing, On Christmas day in the morning.
- 8. And all the souls on earth shall sing, On Christmas day, on Christmas day, And all the souls on earth shall sing, On Christmas day in the morning.

### December 14 The First Noel

1. The first Noel the Angel did say
Was to three poor shepherds in fields as they lay.
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
In a cold winter's night that was so deep.

#### Chorus

Noel, Noel, Noel. Born is the King of Israel.

- 2. 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. *Chorus*
- 3. And by the light of that same Star
  Three Wise Men came from country far,
  To seek for a King was their intent,
  And to follow the Star wherever it went. *Chorus*
- 4. This Star drew nigh to the North West; O'er Bethlehem it took its rest. And there it did both stop and stay, Right over the place where Jesus lay. *Chorus*

### December 15 Jolly Old Saint Nicholas

- 1. Jolly old St. Nicholas, lean your ear this way! Don't you tell a single soul, what I'm going to say; Christmas Eve is coming soon; now, you dear old man, Whisper what you'll bring to me; tell me if you can.
- 2. When the clock is striking twelve, when I'm fast asleep, Down the chimney broad and black, with your pack you'll creep; All the stockings you will find hanging in a row; Mine will be the shortest one, you'll be sure to know.
- 3. Johnny wants a pair of skates, Susy wants a dolly; Nellie wants a story book; she thinks dolls are folly; As for me, my little brain isn't very bright; Choose for me, old Santa Claus, what you think is right.

# December 16 Angels We Have Heard on High

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

#### Refrain

Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

- 2. Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong? What the gladsome tidings be Which inspire your heavenly song? *Refrain*
- 3. Come to Bethlehem and see
  Him whose birth the angels sing;
  Come, adore on bended knee,
  Christ the Lord, the newborn King. *Refrain*
- 4. See Him in a manger laid, Whom the choirs of angels praise; Mary, Joseph, lend your aid, While our hearts in love we raise. *Refrain*

# December 17 Joy to the World

- 1. 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.
- 2. Joy to the world, 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 the sounding joy
- 3. No more let sin and sorrows grow, Nor thorns infest the ground; He comes to make His blessings flow Far as the curse is found, Far as, far as the curse is found.
- 4. 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, wonders of His love.

# December 18 Jingle Bells

1. Dashing thro' the snow,
In a one horse open sleigh,
O'er the hills we go,
Laughing all the way;
Bells on bob tail ring,
Making spirits bright,
Oh what sport to ride and sing
A sleighing song to night.

#### Chorus:

Jingle bells, Jingle bells, Jingle all the way; Oh! what joy it is to ride In a one horse open sleigh. Jingle bells, Jingle bells, Jingle all the way Oh! what joy it is to ride In a one horse open sleigh.

# December 19 Away in a Manger

- 1. Away in a manger, no crib for His 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 in the hay.
- 2. The cattle are lowing, the poor Baby wakes. But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes. I love thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky. And stay by the cradle till morning is nigh.
- 3. 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 take us to heaven, to Live with Thee there.

# December 20 What Child is This?

1. What Child is this, who laid to rest On Mary's lap is sleeping? Whom angels greet with anthems sweet While shepherds watch are keeping?

#### Refrain

This, this is Christ the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing; Haste, Haste, to bring him laud, The Babe, the Son of Mary.

- 2. Why lies He in such mean estate, Where ox and ass are feeding? Good Christian, fear; for sinners here The silent Word is pleading. *Refrain*
- 3. So bring Him incense, gold and myrrh Come peasant, King to own Him; The King of Kings salvation brings Let loving hearts enthrone him. *Refrain*

# December 21 God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen

1. God rest you merry, gentlemen, Let nothing you dismay. For Jesus Christ our Savior, Was born on Christmas Day; To save us all from Satan's power, When we were gone astray.

#### Chorus

O tidings of comfort and joy, For Jesus Christ our Savior Was born on Christmas day.

- 2. In Bethlehem, in Israel,
  This blessed Babe was born,
  And laid within a manger,
  Upon this blessed morn;
  The which His mother Mary
  Did nothing take in scorn. *Chorus*
- 3. From God our heavenly Father, A blessed angel came. And unto certain shepherds, Brought tidings of the same, How that in Bethlehem was born, The Son of God by name: *Chorus*

### December 22 O Holy Night

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

#### Chorus

Fall on your knees, Oh hear the angel voices! O night divine, O night when Christ was born! O night, O holy night, O night divine.

2. Led by the light of faith serenely beaming With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming Here come the wise men from Orient land The King of Kings lay thus in lowly manger In all our trials born to be our friend.

#### Chorus

He knows our need, To our weakness is no stranger. Behold your King! Before Him lowly bend! Behold your King! Before Him lowly bend!

3. Truly He taught us to love one another His law is love and His gospel is peace Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother, And in His name all oppression shall cease. Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we, Let all within us praise His holy name.

#### Chorus

Christ is the Lord, O praise His name forever! His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim! His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim!

#### December 23 O Little Town of Bethlehem

- O little town of Bethlehem,
   How still we see thee lie!
   Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
   The silent stars go by.
   Yet in thy dark streets shineth
   The everlasting Light;
   The hopes and fears of all the years
   Are met in thee to-night.
- 2. O morning stars, together
  Proclaim the holy birth!And praises sing to God the King,
  And peace to men on earth.For Christ is born of Mary
  And gathered all above,While mortals sleep the Angels keep
  Their watch of wondering love.
- 3. How silently, how silently,
  The wondrous gift is given;
  So God imparts to human hearts
  The blessings of His Heaven.
  No ear may hear His coming,
  But in this world of sin,
  Where meek souls will receive Him still,
  The dear Christ enters in.
- 4. O holy Child of Bethlehem,
  Descend to us, we pray!
  Cast out our sin and enter in,
  Be born in us to-day.
  We hear the Christmas angels,
  The great glad tidings tell;
  O come to us, abide with us,
  Our Lord Emmanuel!

# December 24 Silent Night

- 1. 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.
- 2. 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.
- 3. 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.

# December 25 I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day

- 1. I heard the bells on Christmas day Their old familiar carols play, And wild and sweet the words repeat Of peace on earth, good will to men.
- 2. I thought how, as the day had come, The belfries of all Christendom Had rolled along the unbroken song Of peace on earth, good will to men.
- 3. And in despair I bowed my head 'There is no peace on earth,' I said, 'For hate is strong and mocks the song Of peace on earth, good will to men.'
- 4. Then pealed the bells more loud and deep: 'God is not dead, nor doth He sleep; The wrong shall fail, the right prevail With peace on earth, good will to men.'
- 5. Till ringing, singing on its way The world revolved from night to day, A voice, a chime, a chant sublime Of peace on earth, good will to men.