
O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

Christmas Carol

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SATB and Accompaniment

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(Christmas Carol). Henry Walford Davies.

1. O lit - tle town of
 2. O morn - ing stars to -
 2. *For Christ is born of*
 3. How si - lent - ly. how
 4. Where chil - dren pure and

*Sometimes verse 2 is as printed in italic.**
NB The italics version of verse 2 interchanges the first half of the stanza with the 2nd half. See non-italics version.

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Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie, a -
 geth - er pro - claim the ho - ly birth, and
Ma - ry, and ga - thered all a - bove, While
 si - lent - ly the won - drous gift is given; so
 hap - py pray to the bless - ed child. Where

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bove thy deep and dream - less sleep the si - lent stars go
 prais - es sing to God the King, and peace to men on
mor - tals sleep, the an - gels keep their watch of won - d'ring
 God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bless - ings of his
 mi - se - ry cries out to thee, Son of the moth - er

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by; yet in thy dark streets shin - eth the
 earth. For Christ is born of Ma - ry, and
 love. O morn - ing stars to - geth - er pro -
 heaven. No ear may hear his com - ing, but
 mild; Where cha - ri - ty stands watch - ing and

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ev - er - last - ing light, the hopes and fears of
 ga - thered all a - bove, while mor - tals sleep, the
claim the ho - ly birth, *And prai - ses sing to*
 in this world of sin, where meek souls will re -
 faith holds wide the door, the dark night wakes, the

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all the years are met in
 an - gels keep their watch of
God the King and peace to
 ceive him, still the dear Christ
 glo - ry breaks, and Christ - mas

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thee to - night.
 won - d'ring love.
 men on earth.
 en - ters in.
 comes once more.

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5. O ho - ly child of Beth - le - hem, de - scend to us we_ pray, cast

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out our sin and en - ter_ in, be_ born in us to - day. We_

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hear the Christ - mas an - gels, the_ great glad ti - dings tell; O

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come to us, a - bide with us, our Lord _ Em - ma - nu - el.