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## I. Alleluia! Christ Is Born

Quietly, rhythmically

TENOR I

TENOR II

BASS I

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ACCOMP.  
(For  
rehearsal  
only)

Christ is born; the world re - joice - es,  
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*ppp* *poco* *poco* *p*

We with glad-ness raise our voic-es. Al-le-lu-  
 Sing the shep-herds bowed be-fore Him. Al-le-lu-  
 Sing with joy the ho-ly sto-ry. Al-le-lu-

*ppp* *poco* *poco* *p*

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*ppp* *p*

*f* *poco rit.* *p* *pp*

ia! Al-le-lu-ia!  
 ia! Al-le-lu-ia!  
 ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

*f* *poco rit.* *p* *pp*

ia, Al-le-lu-ia!  
 ia, Al-le-lu-ia!  
 ia, Al-le-lu-ia!

*f* *poco rit.* *p* *pp*

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## \*II. Gladly Sing This Wondrous Thing

*Vivace e leggiero possibile*

**TENOR I** *pp* *senza rit.* *pp*  
 Glad-ly sing This won-drousting, Al-le-lu - - ia!  
 Near and far, The guid-ing star, Al-le-lu - - ia!  
 By its rays Through man-y days, Al-le-lu - - ia!

**TENOR II** *pp melody* *senza rit.* *pp*  
 Glad-ly sing This won-drousting, Al-le-lu - - ia!  
 Near and far, The guid-ing star, Al-le-lu - - ia!  
 By its rays Through man-y days, Al-le-lu - - ia!

**BASS I** *pp* *senza rit.* *pp*  
 Glad-ly sing This won-drousting, Al-le-lu - - ia!  
 Near and far, The guid-ing star, Al-le-lu - - ia!  
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**BASS II** *pp* *senza rit.* *pp*  
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 By its rays Through man-y days, Al-le-lu - - ia!

*Vivace e leggiero possibile*

**ACCOMP.**  
*(For rehearsal only)* *pp* *rit.* *pp*

*pp legato* *rit.* *ppp*  
 Peace on earth For Je-sus' birth, Al-le-lu - - ia!  
 Shines so bright Through-out the night, Al-le-lu - - ia!  
 All come round The Child new found, Al-le-lu - - ia!

*pp legato* *rit.* *ppp*  
 Peace on earth For Je-sus' birth, Al-le-lu - - ia!  
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*pp* *rit.* *ppp*

\* Melodic version (measures 3 and 7) by Rev. Francis Denes.

## III. The First Night

Poco lento e molto tristo ma sempre con moto

**TENOR I** *mf* *f* *più f*  
 Through the night as all the world slept, Al - le -  
 Dark - ness and cold all a - round Him, Al - le -  
 Thus the night of Je - sus' birth, Al - le -

**TENOR II** *mf* *f* *più f*  
 Through the night as all the world slept, Al - le -  
 Dark - ness and cold all a - round Him, Al - le -  
 Thus the night of Je - sus' birth, Al - le -

**BASS I** *mf* *f* *più f*  
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 Dark - ness and cold all a - round Him, Al - le -  
 Thus the night of Je - sus' birth, Al - le -

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 Dark - ness and cold all a - round Him, Al - le -  
 Thus the night of Je - sus' birth, Al - le -

**ACCOMP.**  
 (For rehearsal only)  
*mf* *f* *più f*  
 Poco lento e molto tristo ma sempre con moto

*molto meno mosso*  
*ff* *pp* *ppp*  
 lu - ia! Christ His lone-ly vig-il in the man-ger kept.  
 lu - ia! Met the shep-herds when they came and found Him.  
 lu - ia! Thus His drear-y, lone-ly first night up-on earth.

*molto meno mosso*  
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*ff* *pp molto meno mosso* *ppp*

# IV. Peace On Earth

*Andante semplice*

**TENOR I**  
*p*  
 Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia!

**TENOR II**  
*p*

**BASS I**  
*p*  
 Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia!

**BASS II**  
*p*

**ACCOMP.**  
*(For rehearsal only)*  
*p*

*pp*  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Peace on earth, good  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing with joy that

*pp*  
*humming "mm" with closed*  
*pp*

*pp*  
 Al - le - lu - ia! *humming "mm" with closed*  
 Al - le - lu - ia! *pp*

*pp*  
*pp*

will to men, Christ is born in Beth-le - hem. Al - - -  
Christ is here, Sound His prais-es loud and clear. Al - - -

lips) Mm

le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!  
le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!