Hymns, Lessons, Gradual Christmas Day 2022

# 102

- 1. Oh, come, all ye faithful, triumphantly sing; Come, see in the manger our Savior and King To Bethlehem hasten with joyful accord; Oh, come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!
  - 2. True Son of the Father, He comes from the skies; To be born of a virgin He doth not despise. To Bethlehem hasten with joyful accord; Oh, come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!
  - 3. Hark, hark, to the angels all singing in heaven, "To God in the highest all glory be given!"
    To Bethlehem hasten with joyful accord;
    Oh, come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!
  - 4. To Thee, then, 0 Jesus, this day of Thy birth Be glory and honor through heaven and earth, True Godhead incarnate, omnipotent Word! Oh, come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord! Amen.

Lesson: Isaiah 7.10-14

10 Moreover the LORD spake again unto Ahaz, saying, 11 Ask thee a sign of the LORD thy God; ask it either in the depth, or in the height above. 12 But Ahaz said, I will not ask, neither will I tempt the LORD. 13 And he said, Hear ye now, O house of David; Is it a small thing for you to weary men, but will ye weary my God also? 14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

Epistle: Titus 2:11-14

11 For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, 12 Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; 13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; 14 Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

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All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God: make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth. The Lord hath made known His salvation: His righteousness hath He openly showed in the sight of the heathen. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Oh, come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us worship and bow down before Him. Hallelujah.

Gospel: Luke 2.1-20

1 ¶ And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. 2 (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.) 3 And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. 4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:)

5 To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. 6 And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. 7 And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn

8 And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. 9 And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. 10 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. 11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. 12 And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. 13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, 14 Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

15 And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. 16 And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. 17 And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. 18 And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds. 19 But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart. 20 And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

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- Come, your hearts and voices raising, Christ the Lord with gladness praising; Loudly sing His love amazing, Worthy folk of Christendom.
  - 2. Sin and death may well be groaning, Satan now may well be moaning; We, our full salvation owning, Cast our every care away.
  - 3. See how God, for us providing, Gave His Son and life abiding; He our weary steps is guiding From earth's woe to heavenly joy.
  - 4. Christ, from heaven to us descending And in love our race befriending, In our need His help extending, Saved us from the wily Foe.
  - 5. Jacob's Star in all its splendor Beams with comfort sweet and tender, Forcing Satan to surrender, Breaking all the powers of hell.
  - 6. From the bondage that oppressed us, From sin's fetters that possessed us, From the grief that sore distressed us, We, the captives, now are free.
  - 7. Oh, the joy beyond expressing When by faith we grasp this blessing

And to Thee we come confessing, That our freedom thou hast wrought!

8. Gracious Child, we pray Thee, hear us, From Thy lowly manger cheer us, Gently lead us and be near us Till we join the angelic choir. Amen.

## #87

- 1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come!

  Let earth receive her King;

  Let every heart prepare Him room

  And heaven and nature sing.
  - 2. Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns! Let men their songs employ, While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains Repeat the sounding joy.
  - 3. No more let sins and sorrows grow Nor thorns infest the ground; He comes to make His blessings flow 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. Amen.

## # 79

Rejoice, rejoice, this happy morn,
 A Savior unto us is born,
 The Christ, the Lord of Glory.
 His lowly birth in Bethlehem
 The angels from on high proclaim
 And sing redemption's story.
 My soul, extol God's great favor,
 Bless Him ever For salvation,
 Give Him praise and adoration. Amen.