

CHRISTMAS SEASON GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

REFRAIN: (♩. = ca. 60) 1st time: Cantor, All repeat; thereafter: All

G C/E D G D Em Am G/D D G (Fine)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

VERSE: Christmas Vigil

D Em D G D G

Tomorrow the wickedness of the earth will be de-royed: the Savior of the world will

C/E D G C/G G C G/D D G D.C.

reign o - ver us. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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VERSE: Christmas Midnight (Luke 2:10-11)

D G D

I pro - claim to you good news of great joy: ————— to -

Detailed description: This system contains the first two staves of music. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 7/8 time signature. The bottom staff is in bass clef with the same key signature. The lyrics are written below the staves. Chord symbols 'D', 'G', and 'D' are placed above the first three measures.

Em D G D G C/G G C G/D D G D.C.

day a Sav - ior is born for us, Christ the Lord. ————— Al - le - lu - ia.

Detailed description: This system contains the next two staves of music. The top staff continues the melody from the first system. The bottom staff provides harmonic support. Chord symbols 'Em', 'D', 'G', 'D', 'G', 'C/G', 'G', 'C', 'G/D', 'D', and 'G' are placed above the staves. The system ends with a 'D.C.' (Da Capo) instruction.

VERSE: Christmas Dawn (Luke 2:14)

G D/F# G D/F# G

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to those on

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D G D G C/G G C G/D D G D.C.

whom — his fa - vor rests. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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VERSE: Christmas Mass during the Day

D G D Em Bm C

A holy day has dawned up - on us. Come, you nations, and a - dore the Lord.

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D G Am/D D

For to - day a great light has come up - on the earth.

G C/G G C G/D D G D.C.

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

VERSES: Holy Family (Colossians 3:15a, 16a); 2nd Sunday after Christmas (cf. 1 Timothy 3:16)

D G D

Holy Family ABC Let the peace of Christ con - trol your hearts;
 *Year B In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets;
 *Year C Open our hearts, O Lord,
 2nd Sunday, ABC Glory to you, O Christ, pro - claimed to the Gentiles.

G C/E D

let the word of Christ dwell in you rich - ly.
 in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son.
 to listen to the words of your Son.
 Glory to you, O Christ, believed in through - out the world!

G C/G G C G/D D G D.C.

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

*Optional gospel verses for Holy Family: Year B (Hebrews 1:1-2), Year C (cf. Acts 16:14b)

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VERSE: (January 1) Mary, Mother of God (Hebrews 1:1-2)

G Am/E B/F# G

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; in these last days, he has spoken to

C/E D G C/G G C G/D D G D.S.

us through the Son. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

VERSE: Epiphany (Matthew 2:2)

Em D G C G/D D G D.S.

We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage. Al - le - lu - ia!

VERSE: Baptism of the Lord (cf. Mark 9:7)

G D/F# Em Am/C B

ABC The heavens were opened and the voice of the Father thundered:
 *Year B John saw Jesus approaching him, and said: Behold the Lamb of God

G D G C G/D D G D.S.

This is my beloved Son, listen to him. } Al - le - lu - ia!
 who takes a - way the sin of the world.

VERSE: Baptism of the Lord, Year C (cf. Luke 3:16)

G Em Am B G

John said: One mightier than I is coming; he will baptize you with the

D G D G C G/D D G D.S.

Ho - ly Spir - it and with fire. Al - le - lu - ia!

VERSES: Days in the Octave of Christmas; remaining days in the Christmas Season

A G D

December 26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD:

*Optional gospel verse for Year B (cf. John 1:29)

The musical score is written for two staves, treble and bass clef, in G major (one sharp). The key signature is G major. The time signature is 6/8. The score begins with a boxed 'B' above the treble staff and a 'G' above the bass staff. The lyrics are: 'the LORD is God and has given us light. Alleluia!'. The melody is simple and homophonic. Above the treble staff, there are chord markings: 'G', 'C', 'C', 'G/D', 'D', 'G', and 'D.S.' at the end. The bass staff provides a simple harmonic accompaniment.

December 26: Stephen, first martyr

(Psalm 118:26a, 27a)

A Blessed is he who comes in the name of the / LORD:

B the LORD is God and has given us / light.

C Alleluia!

December 27: John, apostle and evangelist

A We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as / Lord;

B the glorious company of Apostles / praise you.

C Alleluia!

December 28: Holy Innocents, martyrs

A We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as / Lord;

B the white-robed army of martyrs / praise you.

C Alleluia!

December 29: Thomas Becket, bishop and martyr

Option 1 (Luke 2:32)

A A light of revelation to the / Gentiles and

B glory for your people / Israel.

C Alleluia!

Option 2 (Matthew 5:6)

A Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for /
righteousness;

B for they will be / satisfied.

C Alleluia!

December 30A A holy day has dawned upon us. Come, you
nations, and adore the / Lord.

B Today a great light has come upon the / earth.

C Alleluia!

December 31: Sylvester I, Pope

Option 1 (John 1:14a, 12a)

A The Word of God became flesh and dwelt
a / mong us.B To those who accepted him he gave power to
become the children of / God.

C Alleluia!

Option 2 (Mark 1:17)

A Come after me, says the / Lord,

B and I will make you fishers of / men.

C Alleluia!

**January 2: Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen,
bishops and doctors**

Option 1 (Hebrews 1:1-2)

A In times past, God spoke to our ancestors through
the / prophets:B in these last days, he has spoken to us through
his / Son.

C Alleluia!

Option 2 (Matthew 23:9b, 10b)

A You have but one Father in / heaven;

B you have but one master, the / Christ.

C Alleluia!

January 3: The Most Holy Name of Jesus

(John 1:14a, 12a)

A The Word of God became flesh and dwelt
a / mong us.B To those who accepted him he gave power to
become the children of / God.

C Alleluia!

January 4: Elizabeth Ann Seton, religious

(Hebrews 1:1-2)

A In the past God spoke to our ancestors through
the / prophets:B in these last days, he has spoken to us through
the / Son.

C Alleluia!

January 5: John Neumann, bishop

(see December 30)

January 6: André Bessette, religious

(Mark 9:6)

A The heavens were opened and the voice of the
Father / thundered:

B This is my beloved Son. Listen to / him.

C Alleluia!

January 7: Raymond of Peñafort, priest

Option 1 (Luke 7:16)

A A great prophet has arisen in our / midst

B and God has visited his / people.

C Alleluia!

Option 2 (Luke 21:36)

A Be vigilant at all times and / pray

B that you may have the strength to stand before the
Son of / Man.

C Alleluia!