

# 629 Angel's Carol

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A musical score for four voices: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass. The key signature is one flat, and the tempo is 69. The vocal parts are arranged in two staves. The soprano and alto sing the melody, while the tenor and bass provide harmonic support. The lyrics are: "1. Have you heard the sound of the an-gel voi - ces". The soprano and alto entries begin with a dynamic of *mf*, followed by *eagerly*. The tenor and bass staves are mostly silent.

A continuation of the musical score. The soprano and alto voices are active, singing the melody. The lyrics are: "Ring-ing out so sweet - ly, ring-ing out so clear?". The tenor and bass staves are mostly silent. The soprano and alto entries begin with a dynamic of *mf*.

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Soprano (S) - Treble clef, 2 sharps, common time

Alto (A) - Treble clef, 2 sharps, common time

Tenor (T) - Treble clef, 1 sharp, common time

Bass (B) - Bass clef, common time

star shi - ning out so bright - ly As a sign from God that

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[A] *mf*

Soprano (S) - Treble clef, 2 sharps, common time

Alto (A) - Treble clef, 2 sharps, common time

Tenor (T) - Treble clef, 2 sharps, common time

Bass (B) - Bass clef, common time

Have you heard the news that they bring from  
Christ the Lord is here? Have you heard the news that they bring from

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[B]

Soprano (S) - Treble clef, 2 sharps, common time

Alto (A) - Treble clef, 2 sharps, common time

Tenor (T) - Treble clef, 2 sharps, common time

Bass (B) - Bass clef, common time

heav-en To the hum-ble shep - herds who have wai-ted long?  
heav-en To the hum-ble shep - herds who have wai-ted long?

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Soprano (S) *f* joyfully *mf*  
 Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis De - o, Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis De - o! Hear the an-gels

Alto (A) *f* *mf*  
 Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis De - o, Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis De - o! Hear the an-gels

Tenor (T) *f* *mf*  
 Glo - ri-a in ex - cel-sis, Glo - ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o! Hear the an-gels

Bass (B) *f* *mf*  
 Glo - ri-a in ex-cel-sis, Glo - ri-a in ex-cel-sis De - o! Hear them

33

Soprano (S) *p* [C] *legato* Ah  
 sing their joy-ful song.

Alto (A) *p* Ah  
 sing their joy-ful song.

Tenor (T) *p* *unisono* 2.He is come in peace  
 sing their joy-ful song.

Bass (B) *p* *unisono* 2.He is come in peace  
 sing their joy-ful song.

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Soprano (S)  
 Alto (A)  
 Tenor (T) *p* *unisono*  
 in the win-ter's still-ness, like a gen-tle snow - fall in the gen-tle

Bass (B)  
 in the win-ter's still-ness, like a gen-tle snow - fall in the gen-tle

44

Soprano (S): Ah  
Alto (A): Ah  
Tenor (T): night; He is come in joy like the sun at morn-ing  
Bass (B): night; He is come in joy like the sun at morn-ing

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Soprano (S): Ah  
Alto (A): Ah  
Tenor (T): He is come in  
Bass (B): Fill-ing all the world with ra-diance and with light.

54

Soprano (S): love as the child of Ma-ry; In a sim-ple sta-ble  
Alto (A): love as the child of Ma-ry; In a sim-ple sta-ble  
Tenor (T): Hum  
Bass (B): Hum

59

Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics "we have seen his birth;".  
 Alto (A) vocal line with lyrics "we have seen his birth;".  
 Tenor (T) vocal line with lyrics "Glo-ri-a in ex - cel-sis De-o,".  
 Bass (B) vocal line with lyrics "Glo-ri-a in ex - cel-sis De-o,".

64 *mp*

Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics "Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o! Hear them sing 'peace on earth'.".  
 Alto (A) vocal line with lyrics "Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o! Hear them sing 'peace on earth'.".  
 Tenor (T) vocal line with lyrics "Hear the an-gels sing-ing 'peace on earth'.".  
 Bass (B) vocal line with lyrics "Hear the an-gels sing-ing 'peace on earth'.".

69 [F]

Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics "3.He will bring new light to a world in".  
 Alto (A) vocal line with lyrics "3.He will bring new light to a world in".  
 Tenor (T) vocal line with lyrics "3.He will bring new light to a world in".  
 Bass (B) vocal line with lyrics "3.He will bring new light to a world in".

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Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics: "dark-ness, Like a bright star shi - ning in the skies a - bove;"

Alto (A) vocal line with lyrics: "dark-ness, Like a bright star shi - ning in the skies a - bove;"

Alto (A) vocal line with lyrics: "dark-ness, Like a bright star shi - ning in the skies a - bove;"

Tenor (T) vocal line with lyrics: "dark-ness, Like a bright star shi - ning in the skies a - bove;"

Bass (B) vocal line with lyrics: "dark-ness, Like a bright star shi - ning in the skies a - bove;"

Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics: "dark-ness, Like a bright star shi - ning in the skies a - bove;"

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Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics: "He will bring new hope to the wait-ing na - tions"

Alto (A) vocal line with lyrics: "He will bring new hope to the"

Tenor (T) vocal line with lyrics: "He will bring new hope to the wait-ing"

Bass (B) vocal line with lyrics: "He will bring new hope to the na-

Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics: "He will bring new hope to the na-

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Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics: "When he comes to reign in pu-ri-ty and love." [G]

Alto (A) vocal line with lyrics: "na - tions When he comes in pu-ri-ty and love. Let the earth re-

Tenor (T) vocal line with lyrics: "na - tions When he comes in love. Let the earth re-

Bass (B) vocal line with lyrics: "na - tions When he comes in love. Let the earth re-

88 *f*

S Let the earth re - joice at the Sa - viour's co - ming; Let the hea - vens  
A -  
T -  
B -

92

S an - swer with the joy-ful morn; Glo-ri-a in ex-  
A Let the hea-vens an - swer with the joy-ful morn; Glo - ri-a in ex-  
T an - swer with the joy-ful morn; Glo - ri-a  
B Let the hea-vens an - swer with the morn; Glo - ri-a

97 *mf*

S - cel-sis De - o, Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis De - o! Hear the an-gels sing-ing 'Christ is  
A - cel-sis De-o, Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o! Hear the an-gels sing-ing 'Christ is  
T - cel-sis, Glo - ri-a in ex-cel-sis! Hear the an-gels sing-ing 'Christ is  
B - cel-sis, Glo - ri-a in ex-cel-sis! Hear them sing-ing 'Christ is

