

Lord I have cried

Christmas

Tone 2

Kievan

First line of musical notation. Treble and bass staves with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are: Come — let us re - jice in the Lord,

Second line of musical notation, starting with a measure rest marked '2'. Treble and bass staves. The melody continues in the treble staff. The lyrics are: pro - claim - ing the pre - sent my - - - ster - y;

Third line of musical notation, starting with a measure rest marked '3'. Treble and bass staves. The melody continues in the treble staff. The lyrics are: for He hath bro - ken the middle wall of par - ti - tion,

Fourth line of musical notation, starting with a measure rest marked '4'. Treble and bass staves. The melody continues in the treble staff. The lyrics are: and the flam - ing spear shall turn — a - bout,

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Some texts may have been adapted from Internet sources, the Antiochian Archdiocese and the Festal Menion (Ware).

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and the Cherubim shall admit all to the Tree _____ of Life.

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As for me, I shall return to enjoy the bliss of par - a - dise

7

from which I was driven a - way _____ be - fore,

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by reason of i - ni - qui - ty; for the like - ness of the Fa - ther,

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for the Per - son of His e - ter - - - ni - ty,

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which it is im - pos - si - ble to change,

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has ta - ken the likeness of a ser - vant,

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com-ing from a Moth - er who has not known wed - - lock;

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free from tran - sub - stan - ti - a - - - - - tion,

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since He re - mained as He was, true God,

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and took what had not been,

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hav - ing become Man for His love of man - kind.

18

Where-fore, let us lift our voices unto Him cry - ing, //

19

O Thou Who was born of the Vir-gin, O God, have mer-cy on us.

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When the Lord Jesus was born of the ho - ly Vir - gin,

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the whole creation was light - - - - ed,

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the shep-herds keep - ing watch, the Ma - gi wor - ship-ping,

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the an - gels prais - ing, and Her - od trem - - - bling;/'

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for the God and Sav-ior of our souls hath ap-peared in the flesh.

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Thy king - dom, O Christ God,

26

is the kingdom of all a - - - ges;

27

and Thy rule is from generation to gen - er - a - tion;

28

for Thou Who was incarnate of the Ho - ly Spi - - - rit

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and became Man from Mary the ev - er - Vir - - - gin,

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hast caused a light to shine on us by Thy presence, O Christ God;

31

O Light of Light, O Ra - di - ance of the Fa - - - ther,

32

Thou hast illumined all cre - a - - - - - tion;

33

and ev - - - 'ry breath doth praise Thee,

34

O Like - ness of the glory of the Fa - - - - ther.

35

Where-fore, O ev - er - last - ing God,

36

Who art be - fore e - ter - - ni - ty,

37

Who didst shine forth from the Vir - - - - gin, //

38

O God, have mer - cy on us.

39

What shall we ren - der to Thee, O Christ,

40

for that Thou didst appear on earth as a man for our sake?

41

Tru-ly, all the crea-tures Thou didst create shall offer thee thanks-giv - ing.

42

The an - gels shall ten - der Thee praise; the hea - vens, the star;

44

the Ma - gi, gifts; the shep - herds, won - der;

45

the earth, the cave; the wil - der - ness, the man - - - ger;

46

and we men, a vir - gin Moth - - - er.//

47

Where - fore, O God be - fore the a - ges, have mer - cy on us.

48 *Glory...Now and ever...*

When_ Au - gus - tus became supreme ru - ler of the earth,

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the multiplicity of rule a - mong men_ ceased.

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And when Thou be - cam - est human from the spot - less one,

51

the wor - ship of many heath - en gods al - so ceased.

52

Then the cities came un - der one world - ly rule;

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and the na - tions be-lieved in one divine su - pre - ma - cy.

54

The nations were en - rolled by an order of Cae - - - sar;

55

But we be - liev - ers were en - - - rolled

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in the name of Thy Divinity, O our in - car - nate God.//

57

Where - fore, great are Thy mer - cies, glo - ry to Thee.

Tone 1

Litya

Kievan

58

Let hea - - ven and earth to - day make glad pro - phe - ti - c'ly,

59

an - gels and men, let us keep spi - ri - tual feast.

60

For God born of a wo - man, has ap-peared in the flesh

62

to those that sit in dark - ness and sha - - - dow.

63

A cave and a man-ger have re-ceived Him.

64

Shep-herds an-nounce the won-der;

65

Ma-gi from the east of-fer gifts in Beth-le-hem.

66

Let us then, from our un-worth-y lips

67

of-fer praise like the an-gels:

68

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth_ peace.

70

For the Ex - pec - ta - tions of the na - tions has come, //

71

He has come and saved us

72

from the bon - dage of the e - - - ne - my.

73

Hea - - - ven and earth are u - ni - ted to - day,

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for Christ is born. To-day God has come up-on the earth,

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and man has gone up to hea - - - ven.

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To-day for man's sake is seen in the flesh

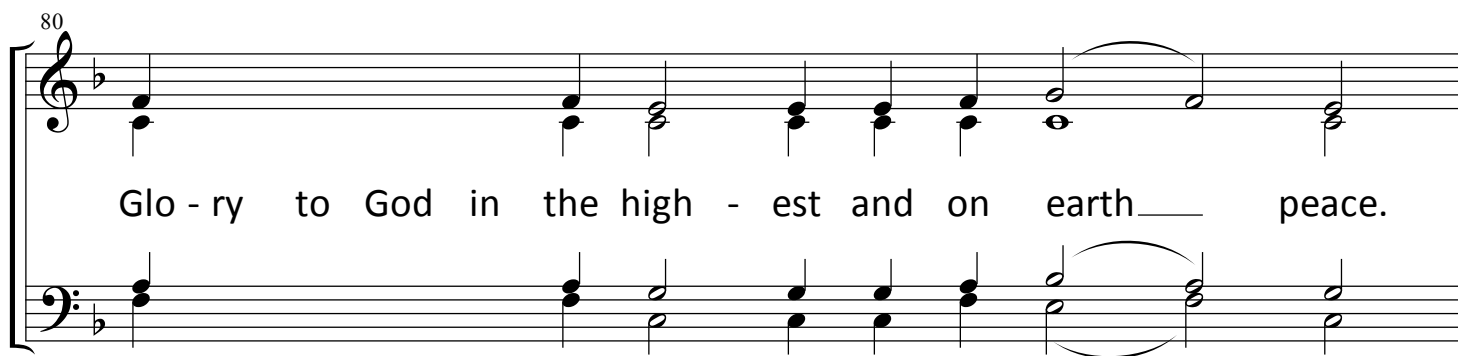
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He who by na-ture is in-vis-i-ble.

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There-fore let us give glo-ry and cry a-loud to Him:

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Glo - ry to God in the high - est and on earth___ peace.

81

which Thy com - - - ing has be - stowed up - on___ us,/'

82



O our Sav - - - ior: glo - ry to Thee.

83



'Glo - - - - ry to God in the high - est',

84

I hear to - day in Beth - le - hem from the an - - - gels,

85

glo - ry to Him whose good plea - sure it was

86

that there be peace on earth.

87

The Vir - gin is now more spa-cious than the hea - vens.

88

Light has shown up - on those in dark - - - ness,

89

and has ex - alt - ed the low - ly who sing like the an - gels://

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Glo - ry to God in the high est.

91

Be - hold - - ing him that was in God's im - age and like - ness

92

fal - len through the trans - gres - - - sion,

93

Je - sus bowed the hea - vens and came down,

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and with - out chang - ing he took up His

95

dwel - ling in a Vir - - - gin womb:

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that there - by He might fash - ion cor - rupt A - dam a - new,

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who cried to Him:// 'Glo-ry to Thine E - pi - pha - ny,—

99

O my De - liv - er - er - and God.

Glory to the Father...

Tone 5

Kievan

100

The Ma - gi, Kings of Per - sia, knew with as - sur - ance that Thou,

102

the hea - ven - ly King, wast born on earth.

103

Led by the light of the star, they came to Beth - le - hem

105

and off - ered their cho - sen gifts: of gold, frank - incense and myrrh.

107

Fall - ing down be - fore Thee, they wor - shipped Thee,

108

for they saw Thee Who art time - - - less, //

109

ly - ing as a Babe in a cave.

Now and ever... Kievan

110 Tone 6

To - day all the an - gels exchange glad ti - dings and re - joice;

111

and the en - tire cre - a - tion ex - ul - - - teth

112

for the Birth of the Lord Sav - ior in Beth - le - hem;

113

for the er - ror of the i - dols hath passed out com - plete - ly, //

115

and Christ shall reign for - ev - - - er.

Aposticha

Tone 2

Kievan

116

To - day hath come about a great and won - der - ful thing,

117

in that a Vir - - gin giv - eth birth,

118

yet cor - rup - tion hath not en - tered the womb;

119

the Word is in-car-nate, yet is not seperated from the Fa - ther;

120

the angels give glory with the shep - - - herds,

121

and we lift our voi - ces with them cry - ing out,/'

122

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth__ peace.

The Lord said to my Lord: Sit Thou at my right hand until I make Thine enemies Thy footstool.
Tone 3

123

To - day the Virgin doth give birth to the Cre - a -

tor of all; E - den off - er - eth the cave;

125

the star tell - eth those in dark-ness of Christ the Sun;

126

the Ma - gi with presents worshipped Him, en - light -

ened by faith; and the shep - herds be-held the won - der,

128

the an - gels singing and say - - - ing, //

129

Glo - ry to God in the high - - - est.

From the womb, before the morning star, I begot Thee. The Lord hath sworn, and He shall not repent.

130

When the Lord Je - sus was born in Bethlehem of

Ju - de - - - a, the Ma - gi came from the east

132

and wor - shipped Him as in - car - nate - God.

133

Ea-ger-ly they o - pened their treasures and offered Him pre - cious gifts,

134

pure gold for that He is King of the a - - - ges;

135

frank-in - cense in that He is God of all;

136

and as dead for three days they offered myrrh

to the death - less One. Where-fore, come, all ye na - tions, //

138

let us wor-ship Him Who was born to save our souls.

Glory to the Father...
Tone 4

Kievan

139

Re-joice, O Je - ru - sa - lem, and celebrate all ye lov - ers of Zi - on;

141

for the tem - por - al bonds with which Adam was

con-demned hath been loosed; par-a-dise hath been o-pened for us,

This system contains measures 142 and 143. The music is in G minor (three flats) and 4/4 time. Measure 142 features a treble staff with a half note G4, a half note F#4, and a half note E4, with a slur over the first two notes. The bass staff has a half note G2, a half note F#2, and a half note E2, also with a slur over the first two notes. Measure 143 continues with a treble staff of half notes: G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3. The bass staff has half notes: G2, F#2, E2, D2, C2, B1, A1, G1.

143
and the ser - pent hath been an - ni - hi - lat - ed,

This system contains measure 143. The treble staff has half notes: G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3. The bass staff has half notes: G2, F#2, E2, D2, C2, B1, A1, G1.

144
hav - ing beheld now that the one de-ceived by her of old

This system contains measure 144. The treble staff has half notes: G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3. The bass staff has half notes: G2, F#2, E2, D2, C2, B1, A1, G1.

145
hath become a Mother to the Cre - a - - - tor.

This system contains measure 145. The treble staff has half notes: G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3. The bass staff has half notes: G2, F#2, E2, D2, C2, B1, A1, G1.

146
O depth, rich - ness, wis - dom and know-ledge of God.

This system contains measure 146. The treble staff has half notes: G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3. The bass staff has half notes: G2, F#2, E2, D2, C2, B1, A1, G1.

147

The instrument of sin which brought death to all flesh

148

hath become the first - fruit of salvation to all the world,

149

be - cause of the The - o - to - - - - kos;

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for the all - perfect God hath been born from her as a babe;

151

and by His birth He hath sealed her vir - gin - i - ty;

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by His swad - dling clothes He hath loosed the

chains of our sins; and by His ba - by - hood

154

He hath healed the pains and sor - rows of Eve. Let all cre - a -

tion, therefore, ex - change glad ti - dings and re - joice;/'

156

for Christ hath come to re-call it and to save - our souls.

Now and ever...

157

O Christ God, Thou hast dwelt in a cave,

158

and a manger did receive Thee.

159

The Ma - gi with the shep-herds wor-shipped Thee,

160

thus fulfilling the preaching of the Proph - - - ets;

161

and the an - gels won - dered lift - ing their voic - es to say://

162

Glo - ry to Thy con - de - scen - sion, O Lov - er of man - kind.