



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2022

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Welcome to City Song 2022!

Tonight is indeed about singing Christmas carols and celebrating together. It is also about celebrating relationships with those we have known and loved, as well as opening our lives to new friends. Yet, while these things should be widely celebrated and encouraged, we must also recognize that what we are about to embark on has the potential to make a monumental impact.

Think of this: What other time, other than Christmas, can a group of strangers voluntarily show up on front doorsteps all over the city...ring doorbells...and sing songs about Jesus to people they may have never met before? What an opportunity to make an impact this Christmas!

If tonight was merely for the enjoyment of singing and fellowship, then we, like much of today's society, would find ourselves engaged in merely celebrating the season of Christmas. However, because our faith is in a God who has rescued us and because our songs testify



to the reality of the great rescue...tonight is about publicly bearing witness to the *reason* for Christmas. Tonight, we gather to sing our hope and share good news to those who might open their doors to hear it.

Jesus Himself said, "Let your light shine before all men, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven" (Matthew 5). May God's Spirit be in your midst tonight, as you sing the light of Christ into our world. And may you bring glory to God as you go together!

Joy to the world! The Lord is come!

**Merry Christmas!** 

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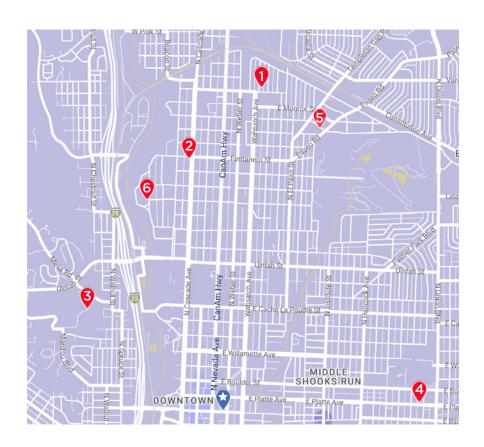
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#### **Angels We Have Heard on High**

Angels we have heard on high Sweetly singing o'er the plains, And the mountains in reply Echoing their joyous strains.

Glo—ria in excelsis Deo, Glo—ria in excelsis Deo.

Come to Bethlehem and see Him whose birth the angels sing. Come adore on bended knee Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

#### Away in a Manger

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed
The little Lord Jesus lay down his sweet head
The stars in the sky looked down where he lay
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay

The cattle are lowing the baby awakes but little Lord Jesus no crying He makes I love Thee Lord Jesus look down from the sky And stay by my side until morning is nigh.

#### **Deck the Halls**

Deck the halls with boughs of holly,
Fa la la la la la la la.
'Tis the season to be jolly.
Fa la la la la la la la.
Don we now our gay apparel,
Fa la la, fa la la la la.
Troll the ancient Yuletide carol,
Fa la la la la la la la.



#### Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Go tell it on the mountain
Over the hills and everywhere!
Go tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born!



While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night

Behold throughout the heavens, there shone a holy light!

The shepherds feared and trembled, when lo, above the earth

Rang out the angels' chorus, that hailed our Savior's birth.

#### God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen

God rest ye merry gentlemen let nothing you dismay

Remember, Christ our Savior was born on Christmas Day

To save us all from Satan's power when we were gone astray.

#### REFRAIN:

O, tidings of comfort and joy Comfort and joy O, tidings of comfort and joy.

From God our heav'nly Father, a blessed angel came

And unto certain shepherds brought tiding of the same

How that in Bethlehem was born the Son of God by name.

(REFRAIN)





#### Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled."
Joyful, all ye nations rise,
Join the triumph of the skies.
With the angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethle-hem!"
Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King!

#### Joy to the World!

Joy to the world! The Lord has come:
Let earth receive her King.
Let eve-ry heart prepare Him room,
And heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and heaven and na-ture sing.

He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love
And wonders of His love
And wonders, wonders of His love!

#### **Jingle Bells**

Dashing through the snow
In a one-horse open sleigh;
O'er the fields we go,
Laughing all the way.
Bells on bobtail ring,
Making spirits bright;
What fun it is to ride and sing a sleighing song tonight.



Oh! Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way; Oh, what fun it is to ride in a one-horse open sleigh!

Hey! Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way; Oh, what fun it is to ride in a one-horse open sleigh!

#### O Come, All Ye Faithful

O come, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Beth-lehem
Come and behold Him,
born the King of angels.

#### REFRAIN:

O come, let us adore Him,

O come, let us adore Him,

O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation; Sing all ye citizens of heaven above: Glory to God in the Highest.

(REFRAIN)



#### O Little Town of Bethlehem

O little town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in Thee tonight.

O holy Child of Bethlehem!
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in;
Be born in us today
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Emmanuel.



#### **Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer**

Rudolph, the red-nosed reindeer had a very shiny nose.
And if you ever saw him, you would even say it glows.
All of the other reindeer used to laugh and call him names. They never let poor Rudolph join in any reindeer games.



Then one foggy Christmas Eve
Santa came to say:
"Rudolph with your nose so bright,
won't you guide my sleigh tonight?"
Then all the reindeer loved him
as they shouted out with glee,
Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer,
you'll go down in history!

#### **Silent Night**

Silent night, Holy night
All is calm, all is bright
Round yon virgin, mother and child
Holy infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, Holy night,
Shepherds quake at the sight
Glories stream from heavens afar,
Heavenly hosts sing alleluia;
Christ the Savior, is born!
Christ the Savior, is born!

#### We Wish You a Merry Christmas

We wish you a Merry Christmas! We wish you a Merry Christmas! We wish you a Merry Christmas and a happy new year!

Good tidings we bring To you and your kin, Good tidings for Christmas and a happy new year!

# Merry Christmas!

### CHRISTMAS EVE AT FIRST PRES



#### **FAMILY SERVICE**

10:30 AM

This 55-minute Sanctuary service is ideal for families with elementary-aged kids. Children are invited to help make the Christmas story come alive by singing in the choir loft and dressing up in provided angel and shepherd costumes. Plan on arriving 30 minutes early to choose a costume before the service begins. No Nursery care is available.



#### **CANDLELIGHT SERVICES**

1, 3, 5 & 7:30 PM

Each Sanctuary service is filled with special music from our Big Blue choir and music ensembles and ends with a special Silent Night candlelight moment together. Nursery childcare available for infants through 4 years old.



### MIDNIGHT COMMUNION SERVICE

11 PM

This warm 55-minute communion service in the Sanctuary features acoustic Christmas carols and ends at midnight as we say, "Merry Christmas!" to one another. No Nursery childcare available.



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