KENILWORTH LIONS

CAROL SHEET 2025

The holly and 1. the ivy



The holly and the ivy When they are full grown, Of all the trees in the wood The holly bears the crown.

Chorus The rising of the sun The running of the deer, The playing of the organ Sweet singing in the choir.

The holly wears a blossom As white as any flower, And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ To be our Saviour.

Chorus

The holly bears a berry As red as any blood, And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ To do sinners good.

Chorus

The holly bears a prickle As sharp as any thorn, And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ On Christmas Day in the morn.

Chorus

The holly bears a bark As bitter as any gall, And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ, To redeem us all.

Chorus

The holly and the ivy, When they are full grown, Of all the trees in the wood, The holly bears the crown.

Chorus

God rest ye Merry Gentlemen

God rest ye merry gentlemen Let nothing you dismay Remember, Christ, our Saviour Was born on Christmas Day To save us all from Satan's power When we were gone astray O tidings of comfort and joy, Comfort and joy O tidings of comfort and joy

From God our Heavenly Father A blessed Angel came, And unto certain shepherds Brought tidings of the same: How that in Bethlehem was born The Son of God by Name. O tidings of comfort and joy, Comfort and joy O tidings of comfort and joy

Now to the Lord sing praises, All you within this place, And with true love and brotherhood Each other now embrace this holy tide of Christmas All other doth deface O tidings of comfort and joy, Comfort and joy O tidings of comfort and joy

Hark the Herald Angels

3.

Sing

Hark! the herald-angels sing glory to the new-born 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 Bethlehem.' Hark! the herald-angels sing glory to the new-born King.

Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord, late in time behold him come, offspring of a virgin's womb. Veiled in flesh the Godhead see! Hail, the incarnate Deity! Pleased as man with man to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.

Hail, the heaven-born Prince of peace! Hail, the sun of righteousness! Light and life to all he brings, risen with healing in his wings. Mild he lays his glory by, born that man no more may die, born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them second birth.

4. 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 morning stars, together proclaim the holy birth, and praises sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth; for Christ is born of Mary; and, gathered all above, while mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wondering love.

How silently, how silently, the wondrous gift is given! So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of his heaven. No ear may hear his coming; but in this world of sin, where meek souls will receive him, still the dear Christ enters in.

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.

5. Deck the Halls

Deck the halls with boughs of holly, Fa la la la la, la la la la. Tis the season to be jolly, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Don we now our gay apparel, Fa la la, la la la, la la la. Troll the ancient Yule tide carol, Fa

la la la la, la la la la.

See the blazing Yule before us, Fa la la la la, la la la la. Strike the harp and join the chorus.

Strike the harp and join the chorus. Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Follow me in merry measure,

Fa la la la la, la la la la. While I tell of Yule tide treasure, Fa la la la la, la la la la

Fast away the old year passes, Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Hail the new, ye lads and lasses, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Sing we joyous, all together, Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Heedless of the wind and weather,

6. O Come, all ye faithful

Fa la la la la, la la la la.

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem; come and behold him, born the King of angels;

Chorus

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

God of God, Light of Light, lo, he abhors not the virgin's womb:
Very God,

begotten, not created Chorus

See how the shepherds

summoned to his cradle, leaving their flocks, draw nigh to gaze; we too will thither bend our joyful footsteps:

Chorus

magi, Christ adoring, offer him incense, gold, and myrrh; we to the Christ-child bring our hearts' oblations:

Lo, star-led chieftains,

Chorus

Child, for us sinners poor and in the manger, fain we embrace thee with love and awe. Who would not love thee, loving us so dearly?

Chorus

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, sing all ye citizens of heaven above:
"Glory to God in the highest:"

Chorus

7. Jingle Bells

Dashing through the snow, in a one-horse open sleigh, Over the fields we go, laughing all the way. Bells on bob-tails ring, making spirits bright, What fun it is to ride and sing a sleighing song tonight.

Chorus

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

A day or two ago,
I thought I'd take a ride And soon Miss Fanny Bright, was seated by my side. The horse was lean and lank, misfortune seemed his lot. He got into a drifted bank and we got upsot.

Chorus

A day or two ago, the story I must tell I went out on the snow, and on my back I fell; A gent was riding by, in a one-horse open sleigh He laughed as there I sprawling lie but quickly drove away

Chorus

Now the ground is white, go it while you're young Take the girls tonight, and sing this sleighing song. Just get a bob-tailed bay, two-forty as his speed Hitch him to an open sleigh and crack! you'll take the lead.

Chorus

8. Silent Night

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. All is

quake at the sight, glories stream from heaven afar, heav'nly hosts sing alleluia: Christ, the Saviour is born, Christ, the Saviour is born.

Silent night, holy night. Shepherds

Silent night, holy night. Son of God, love's pure light, radiant beams from thy holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace: Jesus, Lord, at thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.