To Welcome the Christ Child

In Bethlehem on a winter's day Does Mary in her travail lay As the oxen low and the donkeys bray To welcome the Christ child

So it comes to pass on this quiet morn That Mary's baby son is born And the herald angel blows the horn To welcome the Christ child

The shepherds come from their meadows green For rejoicing angels they have seen And they sing His praise in voices keen To welcome the Christ child

Then three wise men travel very far As they follow yonder Eastern star Bearing gold and frankincense and myrrh To welcome the Christ child

As He lies within the manger there Who the name of Prince of Peace will bear All sing hallelu to the baby fair To welcome the Christ child

So all the earth sings His praises high From the creatures low to the boundless sky As so do you, and so do I To welcome the Christ child

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On this day of glad epiphany We sing hallelu on bended knee To Father, Son, and Spirit three To welcome the Christ child

Then let us all in every place Of every kindred, every race Open all our hearts to the gift of peace And welcome the Christ child