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88 Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers



1. Re - joice, re - joice, be - liev - ers, And let your light ap - pear;
2. See that your lamps are burn - ing; Re - plen - ish them with oil,
3. Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear!

The eve - ning is ad - van - cing, And dark - er night is near:
And wait for your sal - va - tion—The end of earth - ly toil.
A - rise, thou Sun so longed for, O'er this be - night - ed sphere!

The Bride - groom is a - ris - ing, And soon He draw - eth nigh;
The watch - ers on the moun - tain Pro - claim the Bride - groom near,
With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, We plead, O Lord, to see

Up, pray and watch and wres - tle: At mid - night comes the cry.
Go meet Him as He com - eth, With al - le - lu - ias clear.
The day of earth's re - demp - tion That brings us un - to Thee.

WORDS: Laurentius Laurenti, 1700; tr. Sarah B. Findlater, 1854; based on Matt. 25:1-13
MUSIC: Henry Smart, 1836

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Call to Worship: **Psalm 53:2, 6**

² God looks down from heaven on all mankind
**to see if there are any who understand,
any who seek God.**

⁶ Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of Zion!
**When God restores his people,
let Jacob rejoice and Israel be glad!**

The Old Testament Lesson: **Exodus 1:8-22**

⁸Then a new king, to whom Joseph meant nothing, came to power in Egypt. ⁹“Look,” he said to his people, “the Israelites have become far too numerous for us. ¹⁰ Come, we must deal shrewdly with them or they will become even more numerous and, if war breaks out, will join our enemies, fight against us and leave the country.”

¹¹ So they put slave masters over them to oppress them with forced labor, and they built Pithom and Rameses as store cities for Pharaoh. ¹² But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread; so the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites ¹³ and worked them ruthlessly. ¹⁴ They made their lives bitter with harsh labor in brick and mortar and with all kinds of work in the fields; in all their harsh labor the Egyptians worked them ruthlessly.

¹⁵ The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, whose names were Shiphrah and Puah, ¹⁶ “When you are helping the Hebrew women during childbirth on the delivery stool, if you see that the baby is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, let her live.”

¹⁷ The midwives, however, feared God and did not do what the king of Egypt had told them to do; they let the boys live. ¹⁸ Then the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and asked them, “Why have you done this? Why have you let the boys live?”

¹⁹ The midwives answered Pharaoh, “Hebrew women are not like Egyptian women; they are vigorous and give birth before the midwives arrive.”

²⁰ So God was kind to the midwives and the people increased and became even more numerous. ²¹ And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families of their own.

²² Then Pharaoh gave this order to all his people: “Every Hebrew boy that is born you must throw into the Nile, but let every girl live.”

The Response: **Luke 1:46-55**

⁴⁶ And Mary said:
**“My soul glorifies the Lord
⁴⁷ and my spirit rejoices
in God my Savior,**

⁴⁸ for he has been mindful
of the humble state of his servant.

**From now on all generations will
call me blessed, ⁴⁹ for the Mighty
One has done great things for
me—holy is his name.**

MUSICAL REFRAIN:

*Immanuel, our God is with us
And if God is with us
Who could stand against us?
Our God is with us, Immanuel*

⁵⁰ His mercy extends to those who fear
him, from generation to generation.

⁵¹ **He has performed mighty deeds
with his arm; he has scattered
those who are proud in
their inmost thoughts.**

⁵² He has brought down rulers from their
thrones but has lifted up the humble.

⁵³ **He has filled the hungry with
good things but has sent the
rich away empty.**

⁵⁴ He has helped his servant Israel,
remembering to be merciful

⁵⁵ **to Abraham and his descendants
forever, just as he promised
our ancestors.”**

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The New Testament Lesson:
John 1:6-8, 19-28 *Congregation Stand

⁶ There was a man sent from God whose name was John. ⁷ He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. ⁸ He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

¹⁹ Now this was John’s testimony when the Jewish leaders in Jerusalem sent priests and Levites to ask him who he was. ²⁰ He did not fail to confess, but confessed freely, “I am not the Messiah.”

²¹ They asked him, “Then who are you? Are you Elijah?”

He said, “I am not.”

“Are you the Prophet?”

He answered, “No.”

²² Finally they said, “Who are you? Give us an answer to take back to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?”

²³ John replied in the words of Isaiah the prophet, “I am the voice of one calling in the wilderness, ‘Make straight the way for the Lord.’ ”

²⁴ Now the Pharisees who had been sent ²⁵ questioned him, “Why then do you baptize if you are not the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?”

²⁶ “I baptize with water,” John replied, “but among you stands one you do not know. ²⁷ He is the one who comes after me, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie.”

²⁸ This all happened at Bethany on the other side of the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

Worship in Giving: **Psalm 68:29**

²⁹ Because of your temple at Jerusalem kings will bring you gifts.

Lo! How a Rose E'er Blooming 117

1. Lo! how a rose e'er bloom - ing From ten - der stem hath
 2. I - sa - iah 'twas fore - told it, The rose I have in
 3. This flower, whose fra - grance ten - der With sweet - ness fills the

sprung! Of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing As men of old have
 mind; With Mar - y we be - hold it, The vir - gin moth - er
 air, Dis - pels with glo - rious splen - dor The dark - ness ev - ery -

sung. It came, a flow - eret bright, A - mid the
 kind. To show God's love a - right She bore to
 where. True man, yet ver - y God, From sin and

cold of win - ter, When half - spent was the night.
 men a Sav - ior, When half - spent was the night.
 death He saves us And light - ens ev - ery load.

WORDS: German carol, 16th century; Sts. 1, 2, tr. Theodore Baker, 1894;
 St. 3, tr. Harriet Krauth Spaeth, 1875
 MUSIC: Geistliche Kirchengesäng, 1599; harm. Michael Praetorius, 1609

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 Irregular meter

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While by the Sheep We Watched 99

1. While by the sheep we watched at night, Glad tid - ings brought an
 2. There shall be born, so he did say, In Beth - le - hem a
 3. There shall the Child lie in a stall, This Child who shall re -
 4. This gift of God we'll cher - ish well, That ev - er joy our

an - gel bright. How great our joy! Great our joy!
 Child to - day. How great our joy! Great our joy!
 deem us all. How great our joy! Great our joy!
 hearts shall fill. How great our joy! Great our joy!

Joy, joy, joy! Joy, joy, joy! Praise we the Lord in
 Joy, joy, joy! Joy, joy, joy! Praise we the Lord in
 Joy, joy, joy! Joy, joy, joy! Praise we the Lord in
 Joy, joy, joy! Joy, joy, joy! Praise we the Lord in

heav'n on high! Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!
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 heav'n on high! Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!

WORDS: Traditional German carol
 MUSIC: Traditional German melody; arr. Hugo Jungst, c.1890

JUNGST
 Irregular meter

102 What Child Is This, Who, Laid to Rest

1. What Child is this, who, laid to rest, On Ma-ry's lap is sleep-ing?
 2. Why lies He in such mean es-tate Where ox and ass are feed-ing?
 3. So bring Him in-cense, gold and myrrh, Come, peas-ant, king, to own Him;

Whom an-gels greet with an-thems sweet, While shep-herds watch are keep-ing?
 Good Chris-tian, fear; for sin-ners here The si-lent Word is plead-ing.
 The King of kings sal-va-tion brings, Let lov-ing hearts en-throne Him.

Refrain

This, this is Christ the King, Whom shep-herds guard and an-gels sing:

This, this is Christ the King, The babe, the Son of Ma-ry.

WORDS: William C. Dix, c.1865
 MUSIC: Traditional English melody, 16th century

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Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring 89

1. Je-sus came, the heav'ns a-dor-ing, Came with peace from
 2. Je-sus comes a-gain in mer-cy, When our hearts are
 3. Je-sus comes in joy and sor-row, Shares a-like our
 4. Je-sus comes on clouds tri-um-phant When the heav'ns shall

realms on high, Je-sus came for man's re-demp-tion, Low-ly came on
 bowed with care; Je-sus comes a-gain in an-swer To an ear-nest,
 hopes and fears; Je-sus comes, what-e'er be-falls us, Glads our hearts and
 pass a-way; Je-sus comes a-gain in glo-ry, Let us then our

earth to die;	Al - le - lu - ia!	Al - le - lu - ia!
heart - felt prayer;	Al - le - lu - ia!	Al - le - lu - ia!
dries our tears;	Al - le - lu - ia!	Al - le - lu - ia!
hom - age pay;	Al - le - lu - ia!	Al - le - lu - ia!

Came in deep hu - mil - i - ty, Came in deep hu - mil - i - ty.
 Comes to save us from de - spair, Comes to save us from de - spair,
 Cheer - ing e'en our fail - ing years, Cheer - ing e'en our fail - ing years.
 Till the dawn of end - less day, Till the dawn of end - less day.

WORDS: Godfrey Thring, 1864
 MUSIC: John Hughes, 1905

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