

Hymns ~ Second Sunday of Christmas

Angels we have heard on high / Sweetly singing o'er the plains
And the mountains in reply / Echoing their joyous strains
Gloria, 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.
See Him in a manger laid / Jesus Lord of heaven and earth;
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid, / With us sing our Savior's birth.

God is love: His the care, Tending each, everywhere.
God is love, all is there! Jesus came to show him,
That mankind might know Him!
Sing aloud, loud, loud! Sing aloud, loud, loud!
God is good! God is truth!
God is beauty! Praise Him!

None can see God above; We can share life and love;
Thus may we Godward move, Seek him in creation,
Holding every nation. (*Refrain*)

Jesus lived on the earth, Life and hope brought to birth
And affirmed human worth, For He came to save us
By the truth He gave us. (*Refrain*)

To our Lord praise we sing, Light and life, friend and King,
Coming down, love to bring, Pattern for our duty,
Showing God in beauty. (*Refrain*) Percey Dearmer

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‘My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the Altar.
I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that
I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever.’ Amen
(based on prayer of St Alphonsus Liguori)

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 heaven afar, Heavenly hosts sing alleluia;
Christ the Saviour, is born! Christ the Saviour, is born!

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.

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 Bethlehem"
Hark! The herald angels sing / "Glory to the newborn King!"

Christ by highest heav'n 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 heav'n-born Prince of Peace! / Hail the Son of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings / Ris'n 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