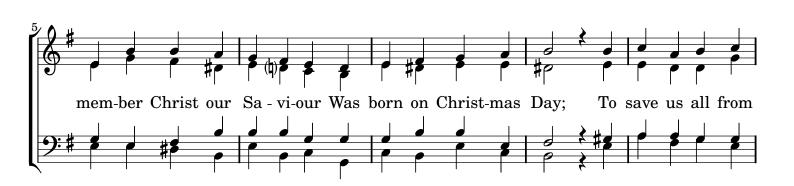
God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen

Traditional









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- 2. In Bethlehem, in Jewry,
 This blessed Babe was born,
 And laid within a manger,
 Upon this blessed Morn;
 The which His Mother Mary,
 Did nothing take in scorn.
- O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy, O tidings of comfort and joy.
- 3. 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.
- 4. 'Fear not then,' said the Angel, 'Let nothing you affright, This day is born a Saviour Of a poor Virgin bright, To free all those who trust in Him From Satan's power and might.'

- 5. The shepherds at those tidings, Rejoiced much in mind, And left their flocks a-feeding, In tempest, storm and wind: And went to Bethlehem straightway The Son of God to find.
- 6. And when they came to Bethlehem, Where our dear Saviour lay, They found Him in a manger, Where oxen feed on hay; His Mother Mary kneeling down, Unto the Lord did pray.
- 7. 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.