Unto Us a Child Is Born
An Early American Christmas Anthem

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Isaiah, Chapter 9

In early American performance practice, most female voices sang the Treble part. Boys, and some lower female voices, sang Counter. Higher adult male voices sang Tenor, and lower adult male voices sang Bass. Though anthems were often sung a cappella, instruments may be used to double voice parts: flute or violin on Treble, flute or clarinet on Counter, clarinet or viola on Tenor, and cello or bassoon on Bass.
government shall be upon his shoulders. Hal-le-lu-jah, hal-le-lu-jah. Unto us a child is born,
Fa ther, the e ver las ting Fa ther, the Prince of Peace. Hal le lu jah, hal le lu jah.

Of the in crease of his gov ern ment, his gov ern ment and peace there shall be no end.

U pon the throne of Da vid and u pon his king dom to or der it and to es tab lish it,

The zeal of the Lord with judg ment and jus tice from hence-for th e ven for ever.