

It came upon the midnight clear

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Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Piano

The musical score consists of five staves. The top three staves (Soprano, Alto, Tenor) are vocal parts in treble clef, with the Alto staff starting at measure 10. The Bass staff is in bass clef. The Piano staff at the bottom has two systems of chords. The vocal parts play mostly sustained notes or short dashes. The piano part includes eighth-note chords and rests.

It came up - on the mid-nightclear, that glo - rious

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This section begins at measure 10. The vocal parts (Alto, Tenor, Bass) sing a melody with eighth-note patterns. The piano part continues with chords. The lyrics "song of old, from an - gels ben - ding near the earth to touch their harps of gold:" are written below the vocal staves.

song of old, from an - gels ben - ding near the earth to touch their harps of gold:

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The world in

"Peace on the earth, good will to men, from heav'n's all - gra - cious King." Ah

Ah

Ah

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so - lem - ness lay, to hear the an - gels sing.

A harmonic progression at the end of the page includes chords such as G major, C major, F major, B major, E major, A major, D major, and G major."/>

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Glo____ri-a!

46

Still through the clo - ven skies they come with peace-ful wings un - fur - led, and still their

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heavenly mu - sic floats o'er all the wea - ry world;____ a - bove its sad_ and low - ly

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Ah_____ the bles - sed

plains, they bend on ho - vering wing,____ and e - ver o'er_ its Ba - bel sounds the bles - sed

Ah_____ the bles - sed

plains, they bend on ho - vering wing,____ and e - ver o'er_ its Ba - bel sounds the bles - sed

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an - gels sing. Glo...

an - gels sing.

8 an - gels sing.

an - gels

83

ri - a! In ex-cel-sis De - o

Glo - ri - a In ex-cel-sis De - o

Glo - ri - a In ex-cel-sis De - o And

Glo - ri - a In ex-cel-sis De - o And

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life's cru-shing load ben-ding low
 life's cru-shing load ben-ding low
 ye, be-neath life's cru-shing load, whose forms are ben-ding low, who toil a-
 ye, be-neath life's cru-shing load, whose forms are ben-ding low, who toil a-

100

clim-bing way steps and slow
 clim-bing way steps and slow look now! for glad_and gol-den
 long the climb-ing way with pain-ful steps and slow,
 long the climb-ing way with pain-ful steps and slow, look now! for glad_and gol-den
 long the climb-ing way with pain-ful steps and slow, look now! for glad_and gol-den

110

on the wing Ah_____ the bles - sed

hours come swift - ly on the wing._____ O rest be - side_ the wea - ry road, and hear the

on the wing Ah_____ the bles - sed

hours come swift - ly on the wing._____ O rest be - side_ the wea - ry road, and hear the

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an - gels sing. Glo_____

an - gels sing.

an - gels sing.

an - gels

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ri - a! In ex-cel-sis De - o Glo _____
 Glo - ri - a In ex-cel-sis De - o Glo - - - - - ri - a
 Glo - ri - a In ex-cel-sis De - o Glo - - - - - ri - a
 Glo - ri - a In ex-cel-sis De - o Glo - - - - - ri - a

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ri - a! For lo! the days are hasten-ing on, by
 Glo - ri - a For lo! the days are hasten-ing on, by
 Glo - ri - a For lo! the days are hasten-ing on, by
 Glo - ri - a For lo! the days are hasten-ing on, by

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pro - phet seen of old,____ whenwith the e - ver cir - clingyears shall come the time fore
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 8 pro - phet seen of old,____ whenwith the e - ver cir - clingyears shall come the time fore
 pro - phet seen of old,____ whenwith the e - ver cir - clingyears shall come the time fore

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told____ its an - cient splen-dours fling,____ and
 told____ whenpeaceshall o - ver all the earth its an - cient splen-dours fling,____ and
 8 told____ its an - cient splen-dours fling,____ and
 told____ whenpeaceshall o - ver all the earth its an - cient splen-dours fling,____ and

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the whole world send back the song which now the an - gels sing.

the whole world send back the song which now the an - gels sing.

the whole world send back the song which now the an - gels sing.

the whole world send back the song which now the an - gels sing.

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Glo _____ ri - a!

Glo - - - - ri - a Glo - ri - a

Glo - - - - ri - a Glo - ri - a

Glo - - - - ri - a Glo - ri - a

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In ex - cel - sis De - o Glo _____

In ex - cel - sis De - o Glo - - - - - ri - a

⁸ In ex - cel - sis De - o Glo - - - - - ri - a

In ex - cel - sis De - o Glo - - - - - ri - a

rit.

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ri - a! In ex-cel-sis De - o In ex-cel-sis De - o

Glo - ri - a In ex-cel-sis De - o In ex-cel-sis De - o

⁸ Glo - ri - a In ex-cel-sis De - o In ex-cel-sis De - o

Glo - ri - a In ex-cel-sis De - o In ex-cel-sis De - o

rit.