

It came upon the midnight clear

Organ and mixed choir

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Lyrics: Edmun Sears (1810-1876)
Melody: Arthur Sullivan (1842-1900)
Arrangement: Euwe de Jong

VERSE 1: S. (scad lib.)



1 It came - on the mid - night clear, That
5 glo - rious song of old, From an - gels ben - ding near the earth, To
9 touch their hands of gold; 'Peace on the earth, good will to men, From
13 Heav'n's all - gracious King! The world in so - lemn still - ness lay, To
hear the an - gels sing.

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VERSE 2: A cappella



20
S
A
2. Still through the clo - ven skies they come, with peace - ful wings un - furled
Still through
24
And still their heav'n - ly mu - sic floats O'er all the ves - try world;
And still their mu - sic floats O'er all the world;
28
A - bove its sad and ly plains They bend on ho - v'ring wing;
32
And o'er o'er its Ba - bel sounds The bless - ed an - gels sing.
And ev - er Ba - bel

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VERSE 3: SATB with organ



39
Tenor
Bass
3. Yet with the woes of sin and strife
Be - neath the an - gel
world has suf - fered long; neath the
42
strain have rolled two thou - sand years of wrong
strain have rolled thou - sand And
45
man, at war with man, hears not the love - song which they bring; O
49
Hush! hush! ye men of strife, and hear the an - gels sing!
8
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VERSE 4: All other voices



Descant
4. For lo! the days are haste - ning on by pro - phet - bards fore -
59
told. When - with the e - ver - cir - cular year comes round the age of
64
VERSE 4: Descant
its an - cient splen - dours
Gold; when peace shall o - ver all the earth its an - cient splen - dours
69
(*ossia*)
fling, and the whole earth the song the an - gels sing.
and the whole world give back the song which now the an - gels sing.