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And a huge thanks to our amazing volunteers—those hosting you tonight, planning behind the scenes, running the kids' activities before carols, and sharing their gifts on stage. We're so grateful for you! 🌟

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Welcome to Carols by the Lake 2025!

We're so glad you're here and hope you enjoy a beautiful evening celebrating the Christmas season with family, friends, and our wider community.

Tonight we have a lineup of free, family-friendly activities for all ages, including:

- Kids' Activities – side-show alley games, face painting, mini zoo, rock climbing wall, jumping castles, and kiddie karts.
- The Pretty Amazing Jono – roaming entertainment for kids and families.
- Pre-Show Music – enjoy live entertainment from 'Lewis Lane' and the Waratah Girls Choir to kick off the evening.
- Food Stalls – BBQ, hot meals, cold drinks, coffee, snow cones, and ice creams.
- Community Stalls – meet and support local groups and charities serving our area. Hopeworks Support Group, Lake Macquarie Community Led Safe Space, Alport Foundation, Lions Club BBQ, Mbuyu Foundation, St John Ambulance
- Candles – pick up a free battery-operated candle at one of our three candle stations (look for the "Candles" signs).

The main carols program will begin at 7:30 pm, led by our Carols by the Lake band.

This Christmas, our theme is "For God so loved the world."

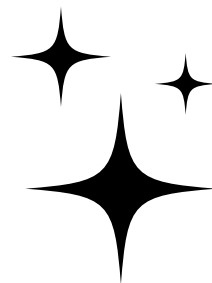
We celebrate the overwhelming love of God made known through Jesus—His gift of hope, peace, and life for every person. May you experience His love in a fresh and meaningful way tonight.

Angels We Have Heard On High

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
Gloria in Excelsis Deo

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
Which inspire your heavenly song
Gloria in Excelsis Deo
Gloria in Excelsis Deo

Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing
Come adore on bended knee
Christ our Lord, the newborn King
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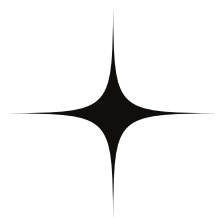
Jingle Bells

Dashing through the snow In a one-horse open sleigh
O'er the fields we go Laughing all the way
Bells on bobtails ring Making spirits bright
What fun it is to ride and sing A sleighing song tonight Oh!

Jingle bells jingle bells Jingle all the way
Oh what fun it is to ride In a one-horse open sleigh hey!
Jingle bells jingle bells Jingle all the way
Oh what fun it is to ride In a one-horse open sleigh

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Jingle Bell Rock

Jingle bell, jingle bell, jingle bell rock
Jingle bells swing and jingle bells ring
Snowing and blowing up bushels of fun
Now the jingle hop has begun

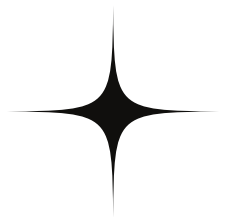
Jingle bell, jingle bell, jingle bell rock
Jingle bells Chime in jingle bell time
Dancing and prancing in Jingle Bell Square
In the frosty air

What a bright time, it's the right time
To rock the night away
Jingle bell time is a swell time
To go riding in a one-horse sleigh

Giddy-up jingle horse, pick up your feet
Jingle around the clock
Mix and mingle in the jingling meet
That's the jingle bell rock

What a bright time, it's the right time
To rock the night away
Jingle bell time is a swell time
To go gliding in a one-horse sleigh

Giddy-up jingle horse, pick up your feet
Jingle around the clock
Mix and mingle in the jingling meet
That's the jingle bell
That's the jingle bell
That's the jingle bell rock



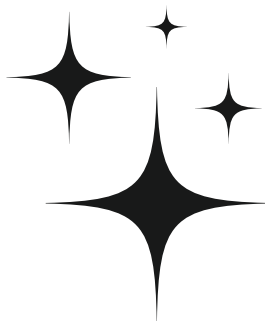
Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer

You know Dasher and Dancer And Prancer and Vixen
Comet and Cupid And Donner and Blitzen
But do you recall the most famous reindeer of all?

Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer Had a very shiny nose
And if you ever saw it, You would even say it glows
All of the other reindeer, Used to laugh and call him names
They never let poor Rudolph, Join in any reindeer games

Then one foggy Christmas Eve Santa came to say
Rudolph with your nose so bright Won't you guide my sleigh
tonight?

Then all the reindeer loved him And they shouted out with glee
Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer You'll go down in history!



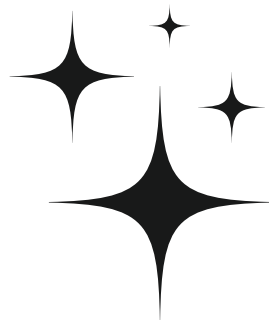
Sleigh Ride

Just hear those sleigh bells jingling
Ring ting tingling too
Come on, it's lovely weather
For a sleigh ride together with you
Outside the snow is falling
And friends are calling Yoo Hoo
Come on, it's lovely weather
For a sleigh ride together with you

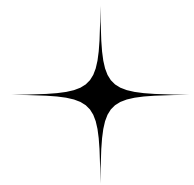
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Gidy-up, Gidy-up, Gidy-up, Let's go
Let's look at the show
We're riding in a wonderland of snow
Gidy-up, Gidy-up, Gidy-up, It's grand, Just holding your hand
We're gliding along to a song of a wintery fairy land

Our cheeks are nice and rosey
And comfy, cosy are we
We're snuggled up together
Like the birds of a feather would be
Let's take the road before us
And sing a chorus or two
Come on, it's lovely weather
For a sleigh ride together with you



Mary's Boy Child



A long time ago in Bethlehem so the Holy Bible say
Mary's boy child Jesus Christ was born on Christmas Day

Hark, now hear the angels sing a king was born Today
And man will live for evermore because of Christmas Day
Mary's boy child Jesus Christ Was born on Christmas Day

While shepherds watch their flocks by night
They see a bright new shining star
They hear a choir sing a song
The music seemed to come from afar

Hark, now hear the angels sing a king was born today
And man will live for evermore because of Christmas Day
Mary's boy child Jesus Christ aas born on Christmas Day

For a moment the world was aglow
All the bells rang out there were tears of joy and laughter
People shouted let everyone know
There is hope for all to find peace

Now Joseph and his wife Mary came to Bethlehem that night
They found no place to bear her child
Not a single room was in sight

And then they found a little nook In a stable all forlorn
And in a manger cold and dark Mary's little boy was born

Hark, now hear the angels sing a king was born today
And man will live for evermore because of Christmas Day
Mary's boy child Jesus Christ was born on Christmas Day

The First Noel

The first Noel the angels did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep
On a cold winter's night that was so deep

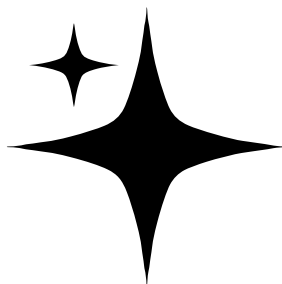
Noel Noel Noel Noel
Born is the King of Israel

They looked up and they saw a star
Shining in the east beyond them far
And to the earth it gave great light
And so it continued both day and night

Noel Noel Noel Noel
Born is the King of Israel
Noel Noel Noel Noel
Born is the King of Israel

The star drew nigh to the northwest
Over Bethlehem it took its rest
And there it did both stop and stay
Right over the place where Jesus lay

Noel Noel Noel Noel
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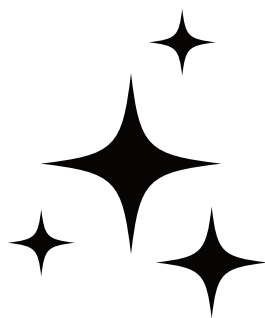


Away in a Manger

Away in a manger
No crib for a bed
The little Lord Jesus
Lay down His sweet head
The stars in the sky
Look down where He lay
The little Lord Jesus
Asleep on the hay

The cattle are lowing
The poor baby wakes
But little Lord Jesus
No crying He makes
I love Thee, Lord Jesus
Look down from the sky
And stay by my side '
Til morning is nigh

Be near me, Lord Jesus
I ask Thee to stay
Close by me forever
And love me I pray
Bless all the dear children
In Thy tender care
And take us to heaven
To live with Thee there



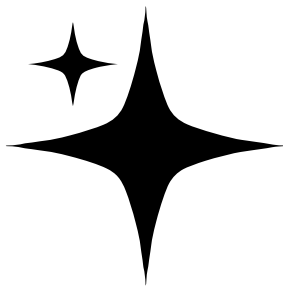
Silent Night

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

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Round yon Virgin
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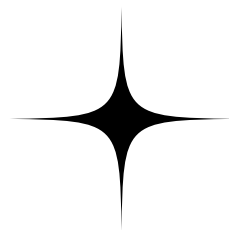


Little Drummer Boy

Come they told me, *pa rum pum pum pum*
A new born King to see, *pa rum pum pum pum*
Our finest gifts we bring, *pa rum pum pum pum*
To lay before the King, *pa rum pum pum pum*
Rum pum pum pum, rum pum pum pum
So to honor Him, *pa rum pum pum pum*
When we come

Little Baby, *pa rum pum pum pum*
I am a poor boy too, *pa rum pum pum pum*
I have no gift to bring, *pa rum pum pum pum*
That's fit to give the King, *pa rum pum pum pum*
Rum pum pum pum, rum pum pum pum
Shall I play for you, *pa rum pum pum pum*
On my drum?

Mary nodded, *pa rum pum pum pum*
The ox and lamb kept time, *pa rum pum pum pum*
I played my drum for Him, , *pa rum pum pum pum*
I played my best for Him, , *pa rum pum pum pum*
Rum pum pum pum, rum pum pum pum
Then He smiled at me, *pa rum pum pum pum*
Me and my drum



O Come All Ye Faithful

O come all ye faithful
Joyful and triumphant
O come ye O come ye to Bethlehem
Come and behold Him
Born the King of angels

O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord

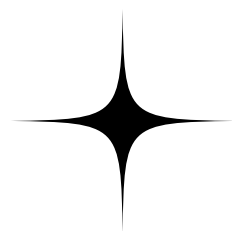
Sing choirs of angels
Sing in exultation
O sing all ye citizens of heav'n above
Glory to God
All glory in the highest

O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord

Yea Lord we greet Thee
Born this happy morning
Jesus to Thee be all glory giv'n
Word of the Father
Now in flesh appearing

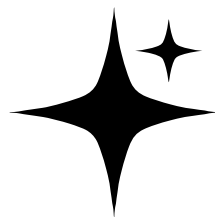
O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord

We'll praise Your name forever
We'll praise Your name forever
We'll praise Your name forever, Christ the Lord



Hark The Herald Angels Sing

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 angelic host proclaim
Christ is born in Bethlehem
Hark the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King



Christ by highest heaven adored
Christ the ever – lasting 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 men to dwell
Jesus our Emmanuel
Hark the herald angels sing
Glory to the new born King

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace
Hail the Son of Righteousness
Light and life to all He brings
Risen 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
Hark the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King

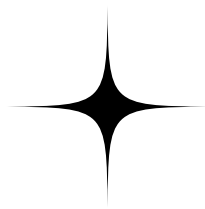
O Holy Night

O holy night the stars are brightly shining
It is the night of the dear Savior's birth
Long lay the world in sin and error pining
Till He appeared and the soul felt its worth
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn

Fall on your knees,
O hear the angel voices
O night divine,
O night when Christ was born
O night divine
O night, O night divine

Truly He taught us to love one another
His law is love and His gospel is peace
Chains shall He break for the slave is our brother
And in His name all oppression shall cease
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we
Let all within us praise His holy name

Christ is the Lord,
O praise His name forever
His power and glory,
Evermore proclaim
His power and glory,
Evermore proclaim



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Joy To The World (Unspeakable Joy)

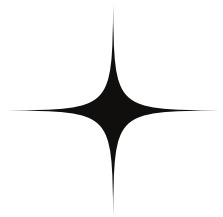
Joy to the world the Lord is come
Let earth receive her King
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room
And heaven and nature sing. And heaven and nature sing
And heaven and heaven and nature sing

Joy to the world the Savior reigns
Let all their songs employ
While fields and floods rocks hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat repeat the sounding joy

Joy unspeakable joy
An overflowing well no tongue can tell
Joy unspeakable joy
It rises in my soul never lets me go

He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love, And wonders of His love
And wonders wonders of His love

Joy unspeakable joy
An overflowing well no tongue can tell
Joy unspeakable joy
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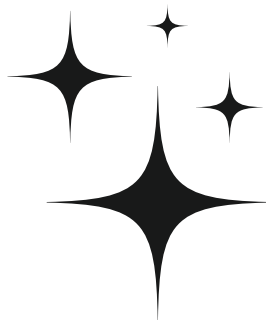
We wish you a Merry Christmas

We wish you a merry Christmas
We wish you a merry Christmas
We wish you a merry Christmas
And a Happy New Year

Good tidings we bring to you and your kin
We wish you a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

We wish you a merry Christmas
We wish you a merry Christmas
We wish you a merry Christmas
And a Happy New Year

We wish you a merry Christmas
We wish you a merry Christmas
We wish you a merry Christmas
And a Happy New Year



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