

II. GOD REST YOU MERRY, GENTLEMEN

English traditional carol
arranged by DAVID WILLCOCKS

v. 1 Unison voices with organ
v. 2 Unaccompanied voices

SOPRANO
ALTO

(ORGAN)

TENOR
BASS

1. God rest you mer-ry, gen-tle-men, Let no-thing you dis - may, For
2. From God our heav'-nly Fa - ther A bless-ed an-gel came, And

Je - sus Christ our Sa - viour Was born up - on this day, To save us all from -
un - to cer - tain shep - herds Brought ti - dings of the same, How that in Beth - le -

Sa - tan's power When we were gone a - stray: O — ti - dings of com - fort and
- hem was born The Son of God by name:

com-
joy, and — joy, O — ti - dings of com - fort and joy.

and — joy,

* If preferred, the refrain may always be sung in unison (with organ accompaniment)

Unison voices

3. The shepherds at those tidings
Rejoicèd much in mind,
And left their flocks a-feeding,
In tempest, storm and wind,
And went to Bethlehem straightway
This blessèd babe to find:
O tidings of comfort and joy.

Unaccompanied voices

4. But when to Bethlehem they came,
Whereat this infant lay,
They found him in a manger,
Where oxen feed on hay;
His mother Mary kneeling,
Unto the Lord did pray:
O tidings of comfort and joy.

SOPRANOS I
II

Ah _____ Ah _____

ALTOS

TENORS
and
BASSES

5. Now to the Lord sing prais - es, All you with-in this place, And

ORGAN

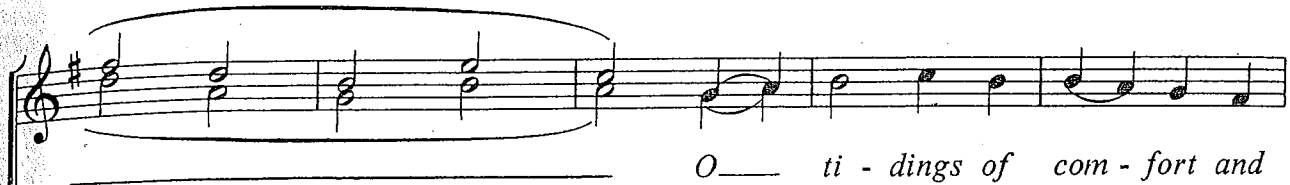
Sw.

Gt.

Ped.

Ah _____ Ah _____ Ah _____

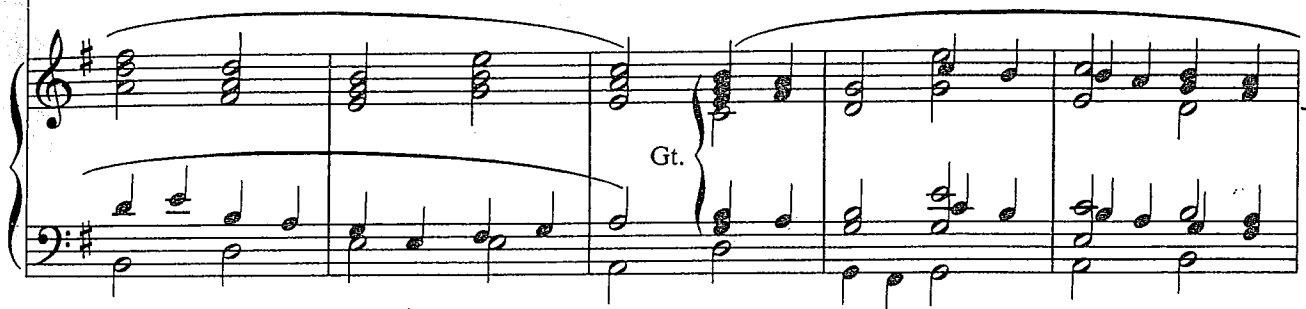
with true love and bro-ther-hood Eacho-ther now em-brace; This ho-ly tide of



O— ti - dings of com - fort and



Christ-mas All o - thers doth de - face: O— ti - dings of ' com - fort and



Gt.



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joy, com-fort and joy, O— ti - dings of com - fort and joy.



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