

Hark, hear what news the angels bring

Anon.

A Christmas Hymn, by William Knapp (c1698-1768)

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[♩=72]

Soprano [Air]

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which, On which our Sa-viour Christ was born: On born: Learn thou, my soul, thy
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Sa-viour'sbirth, And ce - le - brate the day with mirth, And ce - le - brate the day with mirth.
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First published in Knapp's *Anthems for Christmas Day* (London 1744).

Knapp gives only a single verse. Two more have been added from John Sreeve's setting of the same text in his *The Oxfordshire Harmony vol. 3* (London 1741).

Bar 7 alto note 2: the printed copy is unclear; this note seems the best guess, despite making parallel fifths with the bass.