

# 8. Hark! hark! what news the angels bring

Anon.

A hymn for Christmas day

Anon,  
Edited by Francis Roads

[♩=120]

Soprtano/  
Tenor  
[Air]

1. Hark! hark! what news the An - gels bring, Glad ti - dings  
 2. **This is the day, this bles - sed morn, The Sa - viour**  
 3. If An - gels sung at Christ\_ his birth, Sure we\_ have  
 4. **My soul learn by thy Sa - viour's birth For to\_ de -**  
 5. I do re - solve whilst here\_ I live, As I'm\_ in

Bass

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of a new - born King, Who is the Sa - viour  
*of man - kind was born; Born of a maid, a*  
 grea - ter cause for mirth, For why: [for] it was  
*base thy - self on earth: That thou may be ex -*  
 du - ty bound to give; All glo - ry to the

B.

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of man - kind, In whom we may sal - va - tion find.  
*Vir - gin pure, Born with - out sin from guilt se - cure.*  
 for our sake Christ did our hu - man na - ture take.  
*al - ted high, To live with him e - ter - nal - ly.*  
 De - i - ty, One God a - lone in per - sons three.

B.

Editorial notes:

Edited from p. 236 of B. Smith and P. Prelluer's *The Harmonious Companion* (London 1732).

The original has "Alleluia" for "Hallelujah". It may have been the composer's intention that the Hallelujah section be sung once only after the final verse, though there is no indication to that effect. The section was used by William Knapp (1698-1768) at the end of his anthem *Behold I bring you glad tidings*, published in his *Anthems for Christmas Day* (London 1743).

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17 Chorus quick [♩=160]

S Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah,

A Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah,

T Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah,

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23 Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah,

A Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah,

T Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah,

B Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah,

28 Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah.

A Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah.

T Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah.

B Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah.