

From Virgin's womb

A Carol for Christmas day

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Medius

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From Vir - gin's womb this day, this day did
This day to man came pledge of per - fect
In Christ his flock let love be sure - ly
O sing un - to this glitter - ing glo - rious

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spring the pre - ci - ous seed that on - ly sa - ved man,
peace, this day ____ to man came love and u - ni - ty.
placed, from Christ ____ his flock let con - cord hate ex - pel.
king, o praise ____ his name let ever - y liv - ing thing.

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this day let man re - joice and sweet - ly ____ sing. since on this day
This day man's grief be - gan for to ____ sur - cease. This day did man
Of Christ his flock let love be so ____ em - braced, as we in Christ,
Let heart and voice like bells of sil - ver ____ ring. The com - fort that

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our Sa - vi - our first be - gan. This day, this day did
re - ceive ____ a re - me - dy for each, for each of
and Christ ____ in us, may dwell. Christ is the
this day ____ to man doth bring. Let Lute, let Shalm, let

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Christ man's soul ____ from death re - move with glo - ri - ous Saints to dwell in heaven a -
fence and ever - y dead - ly sin with guil - ty heart that erst he wan - dered
au - thor of ____ sweet u - ni - ty, from whence ____ pro - ceed - eth all fe - li - ci -
Shalm, with sound ____ of sweet de - delight these joys ____ of Christ his birth this day re -

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bove, with glo - ri - ous Saints ____ to dwell in heaven a - bove, ____ a - bove.
in, with guil - ty heart ____ that erst, that erst he ____ wan - dered in.
ty, from whence, ____ from whence ____ pro - ceed - eth all fe - li - ci - ty.
cite, these joys ____ of Christ ____ his birth this day, this ____ day ____ re - cite.

Chorus

Tenor

Re - jice, re - - - jice, with
heart and _____ voice, and ____ voice, in Christ his birth this day, re -
- - - jice, re - - - jice, in Christ his birth this day, this day
re-joyce, re - joyce, re - joyce, re - joyce, re-joyce, re - - - joyce, re-joyce, re - - -
joyce, re - - - joyce, re - joyce, re - - - - - - - - joyce