

From Virgin's womb

A Carol for Christmas day

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Medius 

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.
 14 king, o praise ___ his name let ever - y liv - ing thing.

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,
 20 Let heart and voice like bells of sil - ver ___ ring. The com - fort that

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, Christ is the
 25 this day ___ to man doth bring. Let Lute, let Shalm, let

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 -
 31 Shalm, with sound ___ of sweet de - delight these joys ___ of Christ his birth this day re -

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 - joice, re - - - - - joice, with

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 heart and ___ voice, and ___ voice, in Christ his birth this day, re -

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 - - - - - joice, re - - - - - joice, in Christ his birth this day, this day

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 re-joyce, re - joyce, re - joyce, re - joyce, re-joyce, re - - - - - joyce, re-joyce, re - - - - -

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 joyce, re - - - - - joyce, re - joyce, re - - - - - - - - - - - joyce