

God rest you merry gentlemen

Melodie und Text: traditionell, aus Südwestengland

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'God rest you merry gentlemen'. It consists of five staves of music in G major (one sharp) and common time (C). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with 'God rest you mer-ry, gen-tle- men, let no- thing you dis- may, for'. The second staff continues with 'Je- sus Christ our Sav- iour was born u- pon this day, to'. The third staff has 'save us all from Sa- tan\'s power when we were gone as- tray.'. The fourth staff starts with 'O tid- ings of com- fort and joy, com-fort and joy, O'. The fifth and final staff concludes with 'tid- ings of com- fort and joy.'.

1. God rest you merry, gentlemen,
let nothing you dismay,
for Jesus Christ our Saviour
was born upon this day,
to save us all from Satan's power
when we were gone astray.

Refrain: O tidings of comfort and joy,
comfort and joy,
O tidings of comfort and joy.

3. From God our heavenly Father
a blessed angel came,
and unto certain shepherds
brought tidings of the same,
how that in Bethlehem was born
the Son of God by name:

Refrain: O tidings ...

2. In Bethlehem, in Jewry
this blessed Babe was born,
and laid within a manger
upon this blessed morn;
the which his mother Mary
did nothing take in scorn:

Refrain: O tidings ...

4. Now to the Lord sing praises,
all you within this place,
and with true love and brotherhood
each other now embrace;
this holy tide of Christmas
all others doth deface:

Refrain: O tidings ...

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