
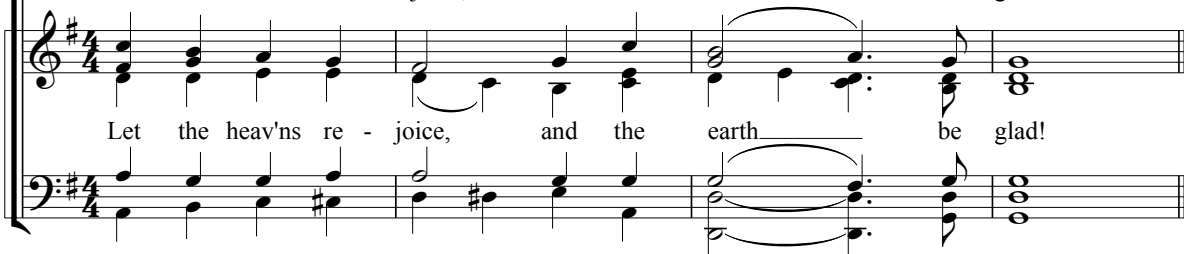


# THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD: CHRISTMAS EVE ~ YEAR A

## PROPER I ~ PSALM 96

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Choir  Let the heav'ns re - jice, and the earth be glad!

tone: ADESTE FIDELIS



- 1 Sing to the LORD a [new] song;\*  
sing to the LORD all the [whole] earth.
- 2 **Sing to the LORD and [bless] his name;\***  
**proclaim the good news of his salvation from [day] to day.**
- 3 Declare his glory a-[mong] the nations\*  
and his wonders a-[mong] all peoples.
- 4 **For great is the LORD and greatly [to] be praised;\***  
**he is more to be feared than [all] gods.**

### *Antiphon*

- 5 As for all the gods of the nations, ... [they are] but idols;\*  
but it is the LORD who [made] the heavens.
- 6 **Oh the majesty and magnificence [of] his presence!\***  
**Oh the power and the splendor [of] his sanctuary!**
- 7 Ascribe to the LORD you families [of] the peoples;\*  
ascribe to the LORD [honor] and power.
- 8 **Ascribe to the LORD the honor [due] his name;\***  
**bring offerings and come in-[to] his courts.**
- 9 Worship the LORD in the [beauty] of holiness;\*  
let the whole earth [tremble] before him.
- 10 **Tell it out among the nations: ... "The [LORD] is king!\***  
**He has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved; ...**  
**he will judge the [peoples] with equity."**

### *Antiphon*

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tone: ADESTE FIDELIS



- <sup>11</sup> Let the heavens rejoice, ... and let the earth be glad; ...  
let the sea thunder and [all that] is in it;\*  
let the fields be joyful and all that [is] therein.
- <sup>12</sup> **Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy before the [LORD when] he comes,\*  
when he comes to [judge] the earth.**
- <sup>13</sup> He will judge the [world] with righteousness\*  
and the peoples [with] his truth.

*Antiphon*



ALTERNATE CHOIR VERSES



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