

139 It Came upon the Midnight Clear

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God – Luke 2:13

The musical score is presented in four systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is two sharps (D major). The time signature is 6/8. Chords are indicated above the treble staff.

System 1: Chords: D, E^{min}7, D. Lyrics: 1. It came up - on the mid - night clear, That / 2. Still through the clo - ven skies they come With / 3. And ye, be - neath life's crush - ing load, Whose / 4. For lo, the days are has - t'ning on, By

System 2: Chords: G, A, D, E^{min}7. Lyrics: glo - rious song of old, From an - gels bend - ing / peace - ful wings un - furled, And still their heav' n - ly / forms are bend - ing low, Who toil a - long the / proph - et bards fore - told, When with the ev - er

System 3: Chords: G, D(omit5), F^{#m}. Lyrics: near the earth, To touch their harps of gold: "Peace on the earth, good / mu - sic floats O'er all the wea - ry world: A - bove its sad and / climb - ing way With pain - ful steps and slow, Look now! for glad and / cir - cling years Comes round the age of gold; When peace shall o - ver

System 4: Chords: B^{min}, A, A, D. Lyrics: will to men, From heav - 'n's all - gra - cious King"; The world in sol - emn / low - ly plains They bend on hov - 'ring wing, And ev - er o'er its / gold - en hours Come swift - ly on the wing; O rest be - side the / all the earth Its an - cient splen - dors fling, And the whole world give

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff at the top and a bass clef staff at the bottom. The key signature is D major (two sharps). The lyrics are written between the two staves. Above the treble staff, guitar chords are indicated: D, G, D, G, D. The lyrics are: still - ness lay To hear the an - gels sing. Ba - bel sounds The bless - ed an - gels sing. wea - ry road, And hear the an - gels sing. back the song Which now the an - gels sing. A - men.

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