



Christmas 2019 - Apprentice Choir

Dear Parents,

Please help your child get the most out of our choral program by helping them learn the words and the tunes to these songs. That gives us time in choir to teach things that are important to your child becoming an educated musician; things such as music reading, and singing with correct vowel shape, intonation, tone production, breathing technique, etc. There's so much more to learn than just these songs!

On the rehearsals CD (handed out next week), and on our website, you will find all of the songs for our Christmas concert as well as the solfege songs & drills we will be working on in choir this year. I look forward to another exciting year with your children in LPCC!

Barbara Walker

Jubilate Deo

Jubilate Deo, Jubilate Deo, Alleluia!

English Translation: Glory to God, Alleluia!

Pronunciation: Yoo-bih-lah-teh Deh-oh Ah-leh-loo-yah



I Saw Three Ships - Orff

I saw three ships come sailing in, on Christmas Day, on Christmas Day.

I saw three ships come sailing in, on Christmas Day in the morning.

And what was in those ships all three? On Christmas Day, on Christmas Day.

And what was in those ships all three? On Christmas Day in the morning.

The Virgin Mary and Christ were there on Christmas Day, on Christmas Day.

The Virgin Mary and Christ were there on Christmas Day in the morning.

And ALL the bells on earth shall ring on Christmas Day, on Christmas Day.

And all the bells on earth shall ring on Christmas Day in the morning.

The Angel Band

Came AN ANGEL down from heaven to the place where the baby lay.

And he said, "I cannot sing for you, but upon my BELL I will play.

Upon my bell I will play." (*bell ensemble plays*)

Came ANOTHER ANGEL from heaven to the place where the baby lay.

And he said, "I cannot sing for you, but upon my TAMBOURINE I'll play.

Upon my tambourine I will play." (*tambourine ensemble plays*)

Came ANOTHER ANGEL from heaven, to the place where the baby lay.

And he said, "I'D SING TO THE HOLY KING, but I'd rather play my DRUM for you.

I'd rather play my drum for you. (*drum ensemble plays*)

THEN THE ANGLES JOINED TOGETHER, playing melodies so grand!

Precious songs of joy to the holy boy as they formed an angel band!

They formed an angel band! (*each ensemble plays in the angel band*)

THEY FORMED AN ANGEL BAND!

All I Want for Christmas Medley

(The Chipmunk Song)

Christmas, Christmas time is near, time for toys and time for cheer.
We've been good, but we can't last. Hurry Christmas! Hurry fast!
Want a plane that loops the loop. Me, I want a hula hoop.
We can hardly stand the wait. Please Christmas don't be late!

(All I Want for Christmas)

All I want for Christmas is my two front teeth, my two front teeth. See, my two front teeth!
Gee if I could only have my two front teeth, then I could wish you, "Merry Christmas!"
It seems so long since I could say, "Sister Susie sittin' on a thistle!"
Gosh oh gee, how happy I'd be, if I could only whistle! (Thhhh)
All I want for Christmas is my two front teeth, my two front teeth. See, my two front teeth!
Gee if I could only have my two front teeth...., then I could wish you, "Merry Christmas!"

(We Wish You a Merry Christmas)

We wish you a merry Christmas, we wish you a merry Christmas,
We wish you a merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year.

What Can I Give Him?

What can I give him poor as I am? If I were a **shepherd**, I would **bring a lamb**.
Poor as I am. Poor as I am. If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb.

What can I give him poor as I am? If I were a **wise man**, I would **do my part**.
Poor as I am. Poor as I am. If I were a wise man, I would do my part.

What can I give him poor as I am? **Give him my heart; I'll give him my heart**.
Poor as I am. Poor as I am. Give him my heart; I'll give—him—my—heart.

Feliz Navidad

SPANISH TRANSLATION: *Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year!*

Feliz Navidad. Feliz Navidad.

Feliz Navidad Prospero ano y felicidad.

I want to wish you a Merry Christmas. I want to wish you a Merry Christmas.
I want to wish you a Merry Christmas from the bottom of my heart!



Joy to the World/O Come All Ye Faithful

Joy to the world the Lord is come. Let Earth receive her King.
Let every heart prepare Him room, And heaven and nature sing....

He rules the world with truth and grace, **And makes** the nations prove.
The glories of His righteousness, And wonders of His love...

O Come all ye faithful, Joyful and triumphant. O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.

Come and behold Him, born the King of Angels. O come let us adore Him,
O come let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord. Proclaim the glory of the Lord!

FOR THE TRAIN STATION CONCERT ONLY!



Santa Claus is Coming to Town

Oh, You'd better **watch out!** You'd better **not cry!**
You'd better **not pout!** I'm telling you why!
Santa Claus is coming to town.

He's making a list. Checking it twice.
'Gonna find out who's naughty or nice!
Santa Claus is coming to town.

He **sees you** when you're sleeping! He **knows** when you're awake!
He **knows** if you've been bad or good, So be good for goodness sake!

Oh, You'd better watch out! You'd better not cry!
You'd better not pout! I'm telling you why!
Santa Claus is coming to town.

Jingle Bells

Jingle Bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way.
Oh what fun it is to ride in a one-horse open sleigh!

Jingle Bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way.
Oh what fun it is to ride in a one-horse open sleigh!

Dashing through the snow, in a one-horse open sleigh.
Over the fields we go, laughing all the way!

Bells on bobtail ring, making spirits bright,
What fun it is to ride and sing a sleighing song tonight! OH.....

Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer

(Only sing the echo's the 2nd time through!)

You know Dasher and Dancer, and Prancer and Vixen, Comet and Cupid and Donner and Blitzen.
But do you recall the most famous reindeer of all?

Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer (*reindeer*) had a very shiny nose. (*knee - nose*)

And if you ever saw it, (*saw it*) you would even say it glows (*like a light bulb*).

All of the other reindeer (*reindeer*) used to laugh and call him names (*like Dumbo*).

They never let poor Rudolph (*Rudolph*) play in any reindeer games (*like football*).

Then one foggy Christmas Eve, Santa came to say (*Ho Ho Ho!*)
"Rudolph with your nose so bright! Won't you guide my sleigh tonight!"

Then how the reindeer loved him (*loved him*)

As they shouted out with glee (*Whoopee!*)

"Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" (*Reindeer*)

"You'll go down in history!" (*like ME!*)

Apprentice Choir, these tracks will help you learn to read music by learning to sing these exercises in Solfege. As you sing, practice using your hand signs. These exercises are found in your Young Singers Journey theory book. Really practice singing the SMD Song. I want ALL of you to be in the Apprentice SMD Club! The SMD Club requirements are listed below.

The last few tracks are more advanced and are for those who have been in Apprentice Choir at least one year already! They are really for Chorus & Chorale, but....some of my young singers are already singing them with their theory books, so I decided to include them here!

SMD Song

When Doh is in a **space**, then Me is in a space and Soh is in a space, The notes all in their **place**!
When Doh is on a **line**, then Me is on a line and Soh is on a line, To make a tune so **fine**!

Doh Scale (Major Scale):

d r m f s l t d' d' t l s f m r d

Tonic Triad Song

Doh is the tonic of the major scale. d r m f s l t d' d m s This is the Tonic Triad!

Longer and Longer Song

d' t l s f m r d r m f s l t d'

Tumbling Triplet Song

d r m r m f m f s l t l t d' t d' r d' d' t l t l s l f s f m f m r m r d r d t, d

Skip Step Song

d m r f m s f l s t l d' t r' d' d' l t s l f s m f r m d r t, d

Apprentice Choir: SMD Club Requirements

These exercises are practiced during Apprentice Choir rehearsals. These three notes (dms) make up the tonic triad, the most important chord in music. Children may audition for the SMD Club before or after rehearsal each week. There is no limit on how many times they can try!

SMD Club members receive certificates at Awards Day and are listed in our Spring Concert Program. Outstanding Musician and Leadership awards are chosen from the SMD Club Members.

During the SMD Club Audition, each child will perform the following:

1. Sing the "DMS Song" (from "A Young Singer's Journey Book 1" and on your Apprentice Rehearsal CD) – with hand signs, in tune – in THREE keys: D, F and G major. He/she must be able to get their starting pitch from the piano introduction.
***Practice with your CD to make sure you're singing the d-m-s song correctly.*
2. Sing DMS patterns – a cappella – by following Ms. Karen's hand signs.
These are EXAMPLES – not the test.
Example #1: d s m s Example #2: m d s m Example #3: s m d s
3. Sight-read THREE "dms" patterns on the staff from flash cards.