

48. O Come, All Ye Faithful

The Origin of this grand old hymn is unknown, but the words come from an old Italian hymn of the 13th Century. It is supposed to have been first sung in England about 1797, in the Chapel of the Portuguese Embassy. The tune has been variously attributed to John Reading, Thurley, and to the Cisterian monks. More than thirty-eight translations from the Latin words are known, but the one here used has been generally accepted.

Anon. (Latin, 17th Cent.)
Tr. F. Oakeley, 1841

John Reading

1. O come, all ye faith - ful, Joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O come ye, O come ye to
2. Sing, choirs of An - gels, Sing in ex ul - ta - tion, Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of

7 *After each verse*
Beth - le - hem; Come and be - hold Him Born the King of An - gels: O come, let us a -
heav'n a - bove: Glo - ry to God In the high - est: O come, let us a -

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dore Him, O come, let us a - dore Him, O come, let us a - dore Him, Christ the Lord.



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