

# 1. A babe is born

Anon. 15th cent.

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**Joyfully** ♩ = 132 (♩ = ♩ throughout)

*f leggiero*

**SOPRANO**  
**ALTO**

A babe\_ is born\_ I wys,<sup>1</sup> This\_

*f leggiero*

**TENOR**  
**BASS**

This world\_

5

*mf*

world to joy\_ and bliss, miss,\_\_\_\_

world to joy,\_\_\_\_ His joy\_ shall ne - ver fade\_ and

to joy\_ and bliss, *mf* miss.\_\_\_\_

*rit.*

**a tempo**  
*mp energico*

9

And Je - sus is his name.

On\_ Christ-mas Day\_\_\_\_\_

*mp*

*mf*

*mf*

On Christ - mas

The words, taken from an old manuscript in Westminster Abbey Library, have been slightly modernized.

<sup>1</sup>wys = know of a certainty

13 *mp* To save  
 This lit - tle child was born

Day\_ at morn, This lit - tle child\_ was born To

17 *rit.* *a tempo*  
 To save us all, for - lorn, Je - sus his  
 were for - lorn, And Je - sus is his

save us all that were for - lorn, *mp* Je - sus his

21 *mp dolce* On Good Fri - day so soon To  
*p* name. Good Fri - day To  
*p* name.

name. *p*

25 death he was all done, Be -  
 death he was done,  
 He was done,

*p*

4 A babe is born

28 *cresc.* *poco f*

Be - twixt the time of morn and noon, \_\_\_\_\_

*mf*

Be - twixt the morn and noon, \_\_\_\_\_

*p cresc.* *mf*

Be - twixt the morn and noon. \_\_\_\_\_

32 *rit.* *poco meno mosso*

*And mp* Je - sus is his name. *p*

Je - sus is his name.

*p*

36 *a tempo* *poco f*

On Eas - ter Day so swythe<sup>2</sup> He

*poco f*

40 *mf* *rit.*

rose from death to life To make us all both glad and blythe, \_\_\_\_\_

*mf*

rose to life blythe. \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>2</sup>swythe = quickly, instantly

44 **a tempo**  
*f mp f*  
 And Je - sus is his name. And on A - scen -  
 And on A - scen -  
*f mp f*  
 And on A - scen -

48  
 - sion -  
 - sion Day To hea - ven he took his  
 - sion

51 *mp cresc.*  
 way, There to a - bide for aye and aye, for  
*mp cresc.*  
*sfmp cresc.*  
 way, a - - bide for

54 **rit.** *f* **a tempo** *mp* **poco rall.** *dim.* *p*  
 aye and aye, And Je - sus is his name.  
*f mp dim. p*