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# Hark, How Great Our Joy!

SATB

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Quoting MENDELSSOHN  
and JÜNGST

With great joy ♩ = 92

Piano introduction in B-flat major, 3/4 time. The right hand features a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, while the left hand provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving bass lines. A dynamic marking of *f* (forte) is present.

Measures 4-6. The vocal line begins with the lyrics: "Hark, the her - ald an - gels sing, 'Glo-ry — to the". The piano accompaniment continues with a rhythmic pattern of chords and eighth notes. A dynamic marking of *f* is shown at the start of the vocal line.

Measures 7-8. The vocal line continues with the lyrics: "new - born King!". A *rit.* (ritardando) marking is placed above the first measure. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note accompaniment. A dynamic marking of *mf* (mezzo-forte) is shown at the start of the piano line.

Measures 9-11. The piano accompaniment continues with a rhythmic pattern of chords and eighth notes. A *rit.* marking is present above the first measure. A dynamic marking of *mf* is shown. Pedal markings include *Red.*, an asterisk, and *no pedal*.

Duration: 2:15

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Soprano Solo

10 *mp*

While by my sheep we watched at night, Tenor Solo *mp*

Glad ti-dings brought an

*mp*

Sopranos

SA

*mf*

*mf*

13

How great our joy! Great our joy!

Tenors TB

an - gel bright.

*mf*

*pedal harmonically*

Soprano Solo

All

Soprano/Tenor Duet

16

Joy, joy, joy! Joy, joy, joy! Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!

20 *All*  
*f* *rit.*  
 Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!

With a light bounce ♩ = 96  
*mf* *cleanly*

23 *with hushed clarity*  
*p*  
 There shall the Child lie in a stall, —

*p*

25 *p*  
 There shall the Child lie in a stall, —

— This Child who shall re-deem us all. —

27 *mp*

This Child who shall re-deem us all. This gift of God we'll cher-ish well, —

29 *mp*

That ev-er joy our hearts shall fill. —

This gift of God we'll cher-ish well, —

31 *mf*

How great our joy!

That ev-er joy our hearts shall fill.

33 *sub. p* *sub. mf*

Great our joy! Joy, joy, joy!

*sub. p* *sub. mf*

35 *sub. mp* *sub. mf* Soprano/Tenor Duet

Joy, joy, joy! Praise we the Lord in

*sub. mp* *sub. mf*

37 All *f*

heav'n on high! Praise we the Lord in

*f*

39 *rit.* *f a tempo*

heav'n on high!

*rit.* *f a tempo*

**Joyously**

41 *poco rit.* *f*

Hark, the her - ald an - gels sing, —

*poco rit.* *f* Joyously ♩ = 108

44 *mf*

“Glo - ry to the new - born King!”

*mf*