

# Star Carol

*(Unison version with reduced accompaniment  
arranged and edited by Kenneth Pont)*

Words and music by  
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**Brightly** ( ♩ = c. 136)

PIANO

*mf lightly*

4 2 5 4 2 3 4 2 3 1 4 2 3 1 3 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 1 2 3 4 1 5

2 1 2 3 4

1 2

1 3 5 1 2 3 5

The musical score is for the song "The Christmas Song" (also known as "Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire"). It is written for voice and piano. The key signature is D major (two sharps: F# and C#), and the time signature is 4/4. The score is divided into two systems. The first system contains the vocal melody and the first two lines of the lyrics. The second system contains the piano accompaniment, which includes both the right and left hands. The lyrics are: "1. Sing this night, for a boy is born in Beth-le-hem, Christ our Lord in a 2. An-gels bright, come from hea-ven's high-est glo-ry, Bear the news with its". The piano accompaniment features a simple, rhythmic pattern in the right hand and a more complex, flowing pattern in the left hand. The score is presented in a clear, professional layout with standard musical notation.

low - ly man - ger lies; — Bring your gifts, come and wor - ship at his cra - dle,  
mes - sage of good cheer: — “Sing, re - joice, for a King is come to save us,

*p* lightly

Hur-ry to Beth - le - hem\_ and see the son\_ of Ma - ry!  
 Hur-ry to Beth - le - hem\_ and see the son\_ of Ma - ry!"

*p* lightly

*mf*

The original version of this carol, for mixed voices, optional children's chorus, and piano, is on sale (X 233), and has been recorded on Collegium COLCD 121 by The Cambridge Singers and the City of London Sinfonia, conducted by the composer.

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