Angels We Have Heard on High
Edward Shippen Barnes (1887-1958)  
Traditional French Carol

1. Angels we have heard on high  
   Sweetly singing o’er the plains,

2. Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
   Why your joyous strains prolong?

3. Come to Bethlehem and see Christ  
   Whose birth the angels sing;

4. See Him in a manger laid,  
   Whom the choirs of angels praise;

And the mountains in reply  
Echoing their joyous strains.

What the glad some tidings be  
Which inspire your heavenly song?

Come, adore on bended knee,  
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,  
While our hearts in love we raise.

Refrain

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