

Waken! Christian Children

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The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Waken! Christian Children'. It is written for piano and voice. The score is in G major (one sharp) and common time (C). The melody is in the treble clef, and the piano accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: 'Wa - ken! Chris - tian chil - dren, Up and let us sing,'. The music consists of four measures. The first measure has a piano accompaniment of G4, B4, G4, E4 and a vocal line of G4. The second measure has a piano accompaniment of G4, B4, G4, E4 and a vocal line of A4. The third measure has a piano accompaniment of G4, B4, G4, E4 and a vocal line of C5. The fourth measure has a piano accompaniment of G4, B4, G4, E4 and a vocal line of D5.

2. Up! 'tis meet to welcome
With a joyous lay
Christ, the King of Glory,
Born for us today.

3. Come, nor fear to seek Him,
Children though we be;
Once He said of children
"Let them come to Me."

4. In an manger lowly
Sleeps the Heavenly Child;
O'er Him fondly bendeth
Mary, Mother mild.

5. Far above that stable,
Up in heaven so high,
One bright star out-shineth,
Watching silently.

6. Fear not then to enter,
Though we cannot bring
Gold, or myrrh, or incense,
Fitting for a King.

7. Gifts he asketh richer,
Offerings costlier still,
Yet may Christian children
Bring them if they will.

8. Brighter than all jewels
Shines the modest eye;
Best of gifts He loveth
Infant purity.

9. Haste we then to welcome
With a joyous lay
Christ, the King of Glory,
Born for us today.

Source : Bramley and Stainer, *Christmas Carols New and Old*. London : Novello, Ewer & Co., ca 1871.