

Welcome, the Light!
A Song of Praise for Christ's Birth¹

Leader: In a little town, known for nothing much,
God's holy child was born.

People: Welcome, the Light!

Leader: By the faint light of the moon,
Mary and Joseph found their way.

People: Welcome, the Light!

Leader: Shown by a courtyard fire,
the open stable door.

People: Welcome, the Light!

Leader: Warm breath of resting beasts,
kindly sparkle in their eyes.

People: Welcome, the Light!

Leader: In the shadowy stable stall,
Joseph kindled a lamp.

People: Welcome the Light!

Leader: There Mary gave birth
to Jesus, called God-With-Us.

People: Welcome the Light!

Leader: Angels opened the doors of heaven,
sang, "Glory to God in the heights!"

People: Welcome, the Light!

Leader: Shepherds saw the sky ablaze,
left their sheep and came to see.

People: Welcome, the Light!

Leader: In the darkest winter night,
God set a brilliant star.

People: Welcome, the Light!

Leader: Magi from the East
divined God's shining sign.

People: Welcome, the Light!

Leader: And on this Christmas night
with joy, we greet the Child.

People: Welcome, the Light!

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