



Musik at Home

FAMILY MUSIC FOR CHRISTMAS Song Book



A Curriculum for Advent Celebration

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Forward

This book is an outpouring of my heart. I love the Christmas season, and more importantly, I love sharing the joy of the Christmas season with my family. When I was growing up, my parents taught me how to prepare my heart for Christmas day by beginning our Advent Celebration the day after Thanksgiving. We would come together around the Christmas story from the Bible. We would sing songs, light candles, and put flannel story figures on the Christmas tree flannel graph. When I got married and had children of my own, I wanted to pass on the same beautiful traditions to my growing family. I began by making my own flannel graph Christmas Tree and all the figures (patterns are given at the end of this book). Then, my husband and I set aside time each evening to walk our children through a journey to Bethlehem where we would meet the precious baby born to be the Savior of the world.

With *Family Music for Christmas*, I have taken everything one step further. I wrapped up all the content I loved from my own family celebration, and I put it into this song book and video classes with instruments and all out musical play to engage children's entire hearts, minds and bodies with the beauty and wonder of the Christmas story. The miracle of Christ's birth isn't just something that happened 2000 years ago. We too are a part of the story. He came for us -- to take all of our sin and all of our sorrow upon himself. His birth changes everything.

Family Music for Christmas is an invitation to bring the Christmas story to life in your home both with this song book and our video class series at watch.mymusikathome.com. With so many things competing for our attention during the holiday season, this curriculum is meant to help your family stay grounded in the true meaning of Christmas while deepening your connection to each other.



Kathryn Brunner

Founder of Musik at Home

How to Use this Curriculum

This curriculum is about JOY! Set a vision for your Christmas season and then relax into it. It may not go as perfectly as you plan, but even small steps amount to joyful memories and even heart change. This curriculum contains 5 weeks of material to mirror the 4 Sundays in Advent and the week of Christmas. ***There are two major components to this curriculum. Each are sold separately:***

1. ***The Family Music for Christmas Class Series available at watch.mymusikathome.com.***
2. ***The Family Music for Christmas Song Book, which you have here.***

The song book and video series go hand in hand. The song book provides all of the lyrics for the songs we sing in the video classes. The video series will model for you all sorts of ways to engage your children in musical play with these beloved Christmas carols using instrument, movement and the imagination!

The Video Class Series

Give your family a joyful, non-stop, action packed flow of songs, poems and movement activities. Complete one 15 minute class each week during the advent season, starting the week after Thanksgiving. Repeat each class as desired to learn the songs, be immersed in the story and to get the developmental, musical benefits. In addition to the class videos, you'll find five minute Bonus Story Videos where we walk you through the Christmas story lessons each week with some silly and engaging story telling by Stanton Brunner. Each video contains two story lessons.

The Song Book

Use this song book to create a joyful, musical experience with your family. Use the sheet music and lyrics to sing along with the video classes and/or lead your family in song anytime. Additionally, pick one song or poem per week to memorize with your children. Story Lessons are also included in this book to give you the flexibility to tell the stories with or without the bonus story videos.

Materials Needed

Materials recommended for each participant are a pair of rhythm sticks, a jingle stick, scarf, and shaker. One glockenspiel and drum per family are recommended. These instruments are available for purchase at mymusikathome.com. For more hands on interaction at home, create your own Christmas tree flannel graph and story figures. Instructions included in the full version of this song book.

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ADDITIONAL CLASS CONTENT IS AVAILABLE WITH PURCHASE OF THE FAMILY MUSIC FOR CHRISTMAS SONG BOOK AND A MUSIK AT HOME MEMBERSHIP

1.



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2.



[ACCESS CLASS VIDEOS WITH A MUSIK AT HOME MEMBERSHIP](#)

Engaging class videos containing all of the songs & activities are available with a Musik at Home Membership at watch.mymusikathome.com.

Available on Multiple Devices:



Class 1

Promises Foretold

Materials: Drums, Scarves, Bells, Glockenspiel, Rhythm Sticks

O Come, Little Children

Materials: Your Hands for Clapping

Music by Christoph von Schmidt

Lyrics by Johann Abraham Peter Schulz, 1811

E B7 E E

O come, lit - tle chil - dren O come one and all. O come to the

6 B7 E B7

man - ger in Beth - le-hem's stall. There meek - ly He li - eth, the

11 E A E B7

hea - ven - ly Child; So poor and so hum - ble, so sweet and so

16 E F C7 F

mild. come, lit - tle chil - dren O come one and all. O

21 F C7 F C7

come to the man - ger in Beth - le-hem's stall. There meek - ly He li - eth, the

27 F Bb F C7 F

hea - ven - ly Child; So poor and so hum - ble, so sweet and so mild.



Sophia - Age 10

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

French Hymn, Lyrics by Henry Sloane
Coffine, Translation by John Mason
Neale, 1850s

Materials: Drums

Am G Em Am C Dm G

O Come, O Come, Em - man u - el and ran-som cap-tive Is ra -
O Come, Thou day-spring co - me and cheer our spi-rits by thine ad - vent
O Come, de - sire of na - tions bind all peo-ple in one hear - t and

6 Am Dm C Em G Am

el that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here un - til the Son of
here, Dis - perse the gloo - my clou - ds of night and death's dark sha - dows
mind, Bid en - vy, strife, and quar - rels cease, Fill the whole world with

11 Dm G Am G Am

Go - d ap - pear. Re - joice! Re - joice! Em
pu - t to flight.
hea - ven's peace.

15 Dm G Am C Dm Em Am

man - u el Shall come to thee O Is - - ra - el




Amelia- Age 8

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What is Advent? (Jesus is Coming)


Music and Lyrics by Wanda Stubbart, 1978

D D D D




What is ad-vent? Ad-vent is com-ing! Who is com-ing? Je - sus is com-ing!

9 D A7 D G D A7 D D



Let us all pre - pare to go and greet him at his ho - ly birth! Com - ing!

14 D D D



Com - ing! Je - sus is com - ing! Com - ing! Com - ing! Je - sus is com - ing!

What Child is This:

William Chatterton Dix, 1865

Kathryn Brunner, Album: Born This Day

Materials: Scarves



Vivian - Age 7

Album Available Here

He's Coming

Materials: Any Instruments

Music and Lyrics by Wanda Stubbart, 1978

D G D A7 D D G



The Pro-phets have fore - told it for ma - ny ma - ny years, One day would come a Sa - voir to

7 D A7 D A7 D A7



qui - et all our fears, He's com - ing, Yes, He's com - ing. Your hearts and minds pre -

12 D D G D A7 D



pare, That you may al - so greet Him, That lit - tle child so fair.




Beau - Age 4

Jingle Jingle Happy Bells

Materials: Bells


Music and Lyrics by
Kathryn Brunner, 2019

C F C C G7 C F C




Jin-gle Jin-gle, Ha-ppy Bells Jin-gle Jin-gle, all is well! Jin-gle Jin-gle, peace on earth!

4 C G7 C F C




Jin - gle for our Sa - voir's birth. Ring - a - ling - a - ling! The Sa-voir is here!

6 G7 C



Christ - mas time is draw - ing near!

7 F C G7 C



Ring - a - ling - a - ling! He's co - ming soon, to show his love for me and you!

Sleigh Ride - Troika from Lt. Kije Suite:

Sergei Prokofiev, 1934

Dance & Decorate!



Tessa - Age 5

Deck the Halls

Materials: Scarves

Welsh Carol, Translation by
Oliphant, 1866

C Dm C G C C



Deck the halls with boughs of hol-ly, Fa la la la la la la la la, 'Tis the sea-son

6 Dm C G C G C



to be jol-ly, Fa la la la la la la la la Don we now our gay ap-par-rel,

11 C D G D G C



Fa la la la la la la la la, Troll the an-cient

14 F C G C



yule-tide car-ol, Fa la la la la la la la



Kiara - Age 8

The Holly and the Ivy

Materials: Glockenspiel

Music and Lyrics by Henry R. Bramley and John Stainer, 1871

D G D D G D A



The hol - ly and the i - vy, When they are both full grown, Of
The hol - ly bears a blos - som, As white as li - ly flow'r, And
The hol - ly bears a ber - ry, As red as an - y blood, And
The hol - ly bears a prick - le, As sharp as an - y thorn, And

5 D G D D A7 D D G



all the trees that are in the wood, The ho - ly bears the crown: The ri - sing of the
Mar - y bore swe - et Je - sus Christ To be our dear Sa - voir:
Mar - y bore swe - et Je - sus Christ, To do poor sin - ners good:
Mar - y bore swe - et Je - sus Christ, On Christ - mas Day in the morn:

10 D D G D A

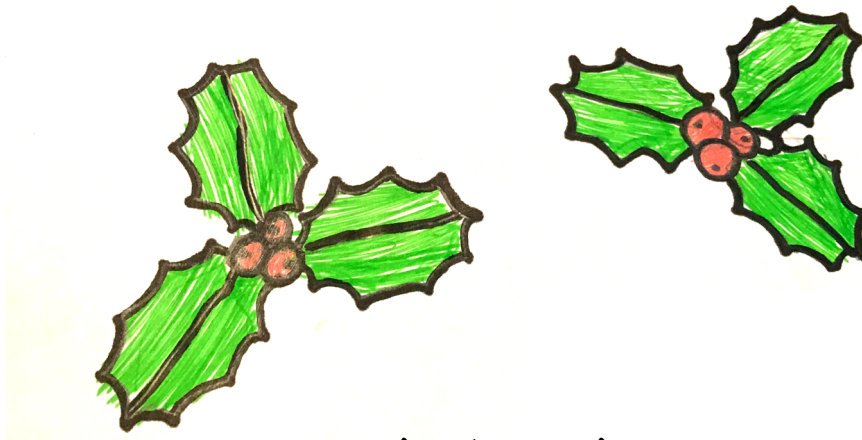


su - n, And the run - ning of the dear, The

13 D G D D A7 D



play - ing of the mer - ry or - gan, Swe - et sing - ing in he choir.



Anabel - Age 8

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Materials: Rhythm Sticks

Music and Lyrics by
John Francis Wade, 1751

G D G G D Em

O come all ye faith - ful, Joy - ful and tri - um - pant, O come ye, O
 God of Go - d, Li - ght of Li - ght, Lo, he ab -
 Sing choirs of an - gels, Sing in ex - ul - ta - tion, Sing, all ye
 Yea, Lord, we greet thee, Born this hap - py morn - ing, Je - sus, to

6 D D A D G D C G D Em

co-me ye to Be - th - le hem; Come and be - hold Him, born the King of
 ho - rs nott the vir - gin's womb; Ve - ry God be - got - ten not cre -
 ci - ti - zens of hea - v'n a - bove; Glo - ry to Go - d In the
 th - ee be all glo - ry gi - v'n; Word of the Fa - ther, Now in flesh ap -

12 D G D G D

an - gels; O come, let us a - dore Him; O come, let us a -
 a - ted;
 high - est;
 pear - ing;

16 G Am A7 D G C G D G

dore Him; O come, let us a - dore Him, Chri - st the Lord!



Phoebe - Age 6

Lo How a Rose E'vr Blooming

German Carol, Translation by
Theodore Baker, 1851



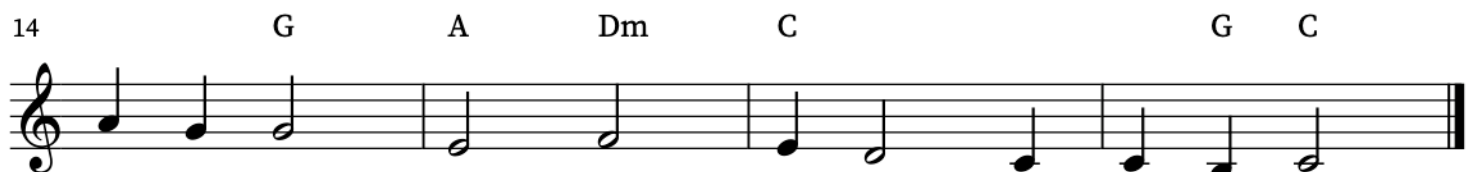
Lo, how a rose e'er bloom - ing from ten - der stem hath sprung!
I - sa - iah 'twas fore - told it, the Rose I have in mind.
This flower, whose fra-grance ten - der with sweet-ness fills the air,



Of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing as men of old have sung.
With Mar - y we be - hold it, the vir - gin mo - ther kind.
Dis - pels with glo - rious splen - dor the dark-ness ev - ery-where.



It came, a flower - et bright, A - mid the
To show God's love a - right, she bore to
True man, yet ver - y God, From sin and



cold of win - ter when half - spent was the night.
men a Sa - vior when half - spent was the night.
death He saves us and light - ens ev - - ery load.



Geneva - Age 5

Christmas

Music and Lyrics by Kathryn Brunner, 2017

C Dm7 F C

Now it's time to say good-bye, See you all ne-xt time, As

5 Am F G C

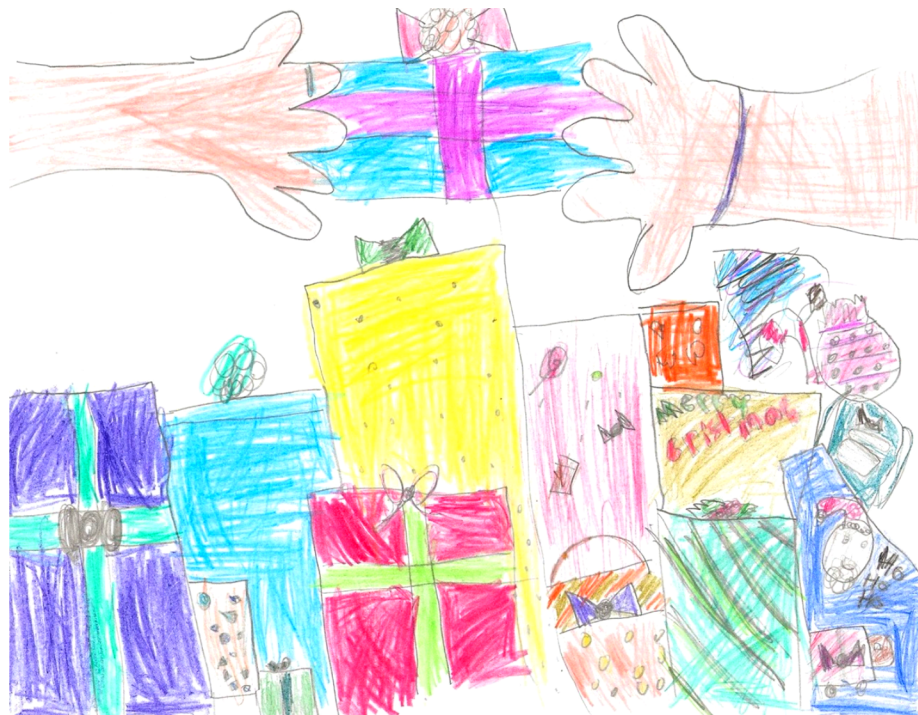
lights ap-pear and joy is near, It's that spe-cial time of year.

9 Am F C Dm7 C/E

Christ-mas is all a-bout Lo-ving each oth-er and sha-ring the love we've been gi - ven, A

13 Am F C G C

gift wrapped in swa-ddling clothes, Love sent to us from hea - - v - e - n.



Olivia - Age 8

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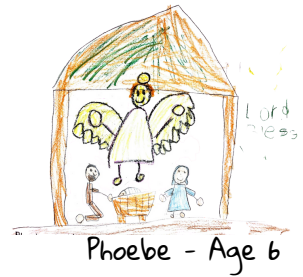
Lessons

The Christmas Story

Materials: Flannel Graph and Flannel Graph Figures

Week 1: Lesson 1

The Christmas Story



[Click here to find this story told in Bonus Video #1 for Family Music for Christmas.](#)

What is a prophecy? The dictionary says that the word prophecy means: "A prediction of the future, made under divine inspiration." "Divine inspiration" means that God wanted to tell people on earth about something He planned to do far in the future.

Long, long ago, the prophets foretold that a baby would be born who would be the Savior of the world.

Many years later, in the tiny village of Nazareth, there lived a lovely young girl whose name was Mary. She was sweet, gentle, and much loved by everyone who knew her. God also loved Mary. He watched her grow from childhood into all that was pure and beautiful in a young woman.

Mary didn't know it yet, but God had a wonderful plan for her...a plan that would change the world forever. When the time came for God to show his plan to Mary, God sent an angel to give her His wonderful news. "Don't be afraid, Mary," he said. "God has chosen you to be the mother of his son. You shall call his name Jesus."

Mary trusted the Lord and believed that God would help her to be a good mother to this baby boy, sent from God. She treasured her secret and praised God for his blessing.

*Flannel Graph Figure: Mary

Luke 1:38

English Standard Version (ESV)

And Mary said, "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word."

Read Luke 1:26-38.

Listen for:

1. Who visited Mary?
2. What was the visitor's greeting?
3. What was the visitor's message?

Mary - Poem by Jeanne Roberts

Lovely Mary, sweet and mild,
Looked forward to her coming child,
And in her heart she sang with joy,
Praising God for this small boy.

Week 1: Lesson 2

The Christmas Story



Abigail - Age 8

[**Click here to find this story told in Bonus Video #1 for Family Music for Christmas.**](#)

Mary's secret was just part of God's wonderful plan. In another small town, at least a day's walk from Nazareth, there lived a man and his wife who were cousins to Mary. Elizabeth and Zechariah were people who loved God and obeyed his laws. They were happy together, but they had no children. "How nice it would be to have a child in our home," they said.

Years passed and as they grew older they no longer believed they would have any children. Then one day a wonderful thing happened. An angel of the Lord appeared to Zechariah and said "Do not be afraid. God has heard your prayers. You will have a son, and you shall call him John. He will be a joy and a delight to you and many people will rejoice because of his birth. He will be one of God's great men. He will prepare many people to know the Lord."

Zechariah could not believe what he had heard. He asked the angel, "How can this be? My wife and I are too old to have children." The Angel replied, "God sent me to give you this wonderful news. Because you do not believe me, you will be unable to speak until your son is eight days old." Zechariah was in awe. Would God really give him a son? Would he really be a great man of God?

*Flannel Graph Figure: Zechariah

Luke 1:13-19

English Standard Version (ESV)

Listen for:

1. Who visited Zechariah?
2. What was the visitor's greeting?
3. What was his message?

But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for your prayer has been heard, and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John. And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth, for he will be great before the Lord. And he must not drink wine or strong drink, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb. And he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God, and he will go before him in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready for the Lord a people prepared."

****Flannel Graph Patterns are available in the full version of this resource**

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For the entire experience at home with your family, get the Song Book in our shop (mymusikathome.com), then get access to the Video Class Series inside our Musik at Home Membership (watch.mymusikathome.com).

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