# We Three Kings

1 We three kings of Orient are; bearing gifts we traverse afar, field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.

#### Refrain:

O star of wonder, star of light, star with royal beauty bright, westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.

#### Jesus, Our Brother

Jesus, our brother, kind and good, was humbly born in a stable rude, and the friendly beasts around him stood, Jesus, our brother, kind and good.

"I," said the donkey, shaggy and brown, "I carried the mother uphill and down, I carried his mother to Bethlehem town; I," said the donkey, shaggy and brown.

"I," said the cow, all white and red, "I gave him my manger for his bed, I gave him hay to pillow his head; I," said the cow, all white and red.

"I," said the sheep with curly horn,
"I gave him my wool for his blanket warm,
he wore my coat on Christmas morn;
I," said the sheep, with curly horn.

"I," said the dove, from the rafters high, "I cooed him to sleep that he should not cry, we cooed him to sleep, my mate and I; I," said the dove, from the rafters high.

Thus all the beasts, by some good spell, in the stable dark were glad to tell of the gifts they gave Emmanuel, the gifts they gave Emmanuel.

## Voices United Hymn #679

## **Let There Be Light**

Let there be light, let there be understanding, let all the nations gather, let them be face to face;

open our lips, open our minds to ponder, open the door of concord opening into grace;

perish the sword, perish the angry judgement, perish the bombs and hunger, perish the fight for gain;

hallow our love, hallow the deaths of martyrs, hallow their holy freedom, hallowed be your name;

your kingdom come, your spirit turn to language, your people speak together, your spirit never fade;

let there be light, open our hearts to wonder, perish the way of terror, hallow the world God made.

#### Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom

Come and seek the ways of Wisdom, she who danced when earth was new. Follow closely what she teaches, for her words are right and true. Wisdom clears the path to justice, showing us what love must do.

Listen to the voice of Wisdom, crying in the marketplace.
Hear the Word made flesh among us, full of glory, truth, and grace.
When the word takes root and ripens, peace and righteousness embrace.

Sister Wisdom, come, assist us; nurture all who seek rebirth.

Spirit guide and close companion, bring to light our sacred worth.

Free us to become your people, holy friends of God and earth.

### Voices United Hymn #87

#### I Am the Light of the World

"I am the light of the world! You people come and follow me!" If you follow and love you'll learn the mystery of what you were meant to do and be.

When the song of the angels is stilled, when the star in the sky is gone, when the kings and the shepherds have found their way home, the work of Christmas is begun: **R** 

To find the lost and lonely one, to heal the broken soul with love, to feed the hungry children with warmth and good food, to feel the earth below, the sky above! R

To free the prisoner from all chains, to make the powerful care, to rebuild the nations with strength of good will, to see God's children everywhere!

R

To bring hope to every task you do, to dance at a baby's new birth, to make music in an old person's heart, and sing to the colours of the earth!

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**REFRAIN Sing to God in great thanksgiving.** 

Part Two (12-20)

Hallelujah, O Jerusalem!

Zion, praise your God.

For God has strengthened the bars of your gates, and blessed your children within you.

God has established peace within your borders, and filled you with the finest wheat. R

You send your word to the earth, O God; your command runs swiftly.

You give snow like wool, and sprinkle hoar-frost like ashes.

You scatter hailstones like bread-crumbs; you send the cold, and the waters stand frozen.

You utter your word and the ice melts; you blow with your wind and the waters flow.

You make known your word to Jacob, your statutes and decrees to Israel.

You have not done this for any other nation, nor have you taught them your laws.

R

### **This Little Light of Mine**

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine, This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine Let it shine, let it shine.