

# Now sweeps a song of solemn joy

Ira B. Wilson (1880-1950)

The musical score is written for piano and consists of four systems of two staves each (treble and bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The first system starts with a treble clef and a bass clef. The second system begins with a measure number '5'. The third system begins with a measure number '10' and a time signature change to 4/4. The fourth system begins with a measure number '15'. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Now sweeps a song of solemn joy  
Across the templed hills;  
From seraph harps sweet music floats,  
That earth and Heaven thrills.

## *Refrain*

*Hark the song, glad song,  
Overflowing all the earth!  
Hark the anthem sweet,  
Bringing news of Jesus' birth!  
While the midnight skies  
With a wondrous beauty glow,  
Comes the Christ-Child to dwell below.*

The tuneful notes still ring afar,  
Like bells that gaily chime,  
Thro' moonlit skies, from star to star,  
To hail the Christmas-time.

## Refrain

We hear again the blissful strain,  
The message breathed once more;  
All glory be to God! we cry,  
Whose name our souls adore.

## Refrain

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