

NUN KOMM, DER HEIDEN HEILAND

For the First Sunday of Advent, or Advent Vespers

Orig. attr. St. Ambrose (340-397)
German Translation: Martin Luther (1483-1546)
English Translation: William Morton Reynolds (1812-1876)

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♩ = 50 Plangently, with flexible tempo

2 3 VERSE 1 4 5

SOPRANO
ALTO

TENOR
BASS

ORGAN

mp Nun komm, der Hei-den Hei - land, der Jung-frau - en
Sav-ior of the na-tions, come; Vir-gin's Son, here

♩ = 50 Plangently, with flexible tempo

p *pp*

6 7 8 9 10 11

Kind er-kannt, dass sich wun - der' al - le Welt, Gott solch' Ge - burt ihm be - stellt.
make thy home! Mar-vel now, O heav'n and earth, That the Lord chose such a birth.

mp

For Sean, commemorating his Advent baptism.

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*Small note heads and gray ties and slurs relate to the English lyrics.

13 VERSE 2: Tenor / Bass

12 13 14 15 16

mf Nicht von Mann's Blut noch von Fleisch, all-ein von dem Heil'-gen Geist ist Gott's
 Not by hu - man flesh and blood; By the Spi - rit of our God Was the

17 18 19 20 21

Wort wor - den ein Mensch_ und blüht ein' Frucht Wei-bes - fleisch.
 Word of God made flesh,___ Wo-man's off - spring, pure and fresh.

mf

22 23 VERSE 3 24 25 26

mf Sein Lauf kam vom Va - ter her came und kehrt' wie - der zum_ Va - ter,
 From the Fa - ther forth He came And re - turn - eth to the same,___

43 VERSE 5

44

45

ff Lob sei Gott dem Va-ter g'tan; Lob sei Gott sein'm
Praise to God the Fa-ther sing. Praise to God the

46

47

48

49

poco rit.

50

ein'-gen Sohn, Lob sei Gott dem Heil'-gen Geist im-mer und in E-wig-keit!
Son, our King. Praise to God the Spi-rit be ev-er and e-ter-nal-ly.

mf

poco rit.

a Tempo

poco rit.

51

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53

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55

Im-mer und in E-wig-keit!
p Ev-er and e-ter-nal-ly.

a Tempo

p

cresc.

27 28 29 30 31

führ' hin-un - ter zu der Höll' und wie-der zu Got - tes Stuhl.
 Cap-tive lead - ing death and hell High the song of tri-umph swell!

mf

32 33 VERSE 4: Soprano / Alto 34 35 36

mf Dein Krip-pen glänzt hell und klar, die Nacht gibt ein neu Licht dar. Dun-ke
 Bright-ly doth Thy man-ger shine, Glor-ious is its light di - vine. Let not

37 38 39 40 41

muss nicht kom-men drein, der Glaub' bleibt im - mer im Schein.
 sin or' - cloud this light; Ev - er be our faith thus bright.

f *ff*