

Christ is the morning star

A carol for Advent

Christ is the morning star,
The light of God that shines from afar;
The Son of God in human form revealed,
The wound of Adam's sin for ever healed.

For God, who formed mankind of clay
Will bring forth our salvation that day
When he, who made all things since time began,
Will send his Son, to live on earth as man.

And when he comes, a child on earth,
The sun and stars will shine at his birth,
To light a world that long in darkness lay:
The light of God, the gift of Christmas Day.

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And when he comes again as King,
Then heav'n and all creation shall sing;
With saints in glory seated round his throne
We'll see his face, and know as we are known.

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John Rutter

The title line is taken from the Venerable Bede: 'Christus est stella matutina'.

for Graham Ross and the choir of Clare College, Cambridge

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Andante e legato ♩ = 63

ORGAN

Sw.
Flutes *p legato sempre*

Man.

5 SOPRANOS
mp dolce

1. Christ is the morn-ing star, _____ The light of God that shines from a -

8 *mf*

- far; _____ The Son of God in hu - man form re -

cresc. *mp*

11 *mp*

- vealed, _____ The wound of A - dam's sin for ev - er healed.

p

(Man. sempre)

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14 A *p* *poco cresc.* *mp*

S. Christ is the morn-ing star, The light of God that shines from a -

A. Christ is the morn-ing star, The light of God that shines from a -

T. Christ is the morn-ing star, The light of God that shines from a -

B.

A

(Man.)

17 *mf* *mp*

- far; The Son of God in hu-man form re-vealed, The

mf *mp*

- far; The Son of God in hu-man form re-vealed, Hum—

mf *mp*

- far; The Son of God in hu-man form re-vealed, Hum—

mp *p*

(Man.) Ped.