

Christian Worship Hymn 42: Come Your Hearts and Voices Raising

Please remember that songs are interpreted much differently than sermons or liturgy. It is important to keep the rhythm of the music when interpreting songs. Just as English sung hymns must change their word order for their stanzas to rhyme and therefore may 'sound' strange if strictly spoken; signed hymns must also at times change their sign order to keep the proper rhythm of the song and may 'look' strange if strictly signed. Rhythm is very important.

1. Come your hearts and voices raising Christ the Lord with gladness praising
Come <full hand> heart voice lift-up / Christ Lord glad praises
Loudly sing his love amazing Worthy fold of Christendom
Sing His love wonderful / worthy people Christ's kingdom
2. See how God for us provided Gave his Son and life abiding
Know-that God *gives-us / *gives-us Son life forever
He our weary steps is guiding From earth's woe to heavenly joy
Weak walk He guide / Earth misery to heaven joy
3. Christ from heaven to us descending And in love our race befriending
Christ heaven *come-down us / with love our people friendship
In our need his help extending Saved us from the wily foe
We need *help *spread / Save us from clever enemy
4. Jacob's Star in all its splendor Beams with comfort sweet and tender
J-A-C-O-B star all fancy / *shine <sun-ray> with comfort sweet gentle
Forcing Satan to surrender Breaking all the powers of hell
Force devil surrender / break all power hell
5. Gracious Child we pray you hear us From your lowly manger cheer us
Kind baby <pray> listen / from humble manger cheerful us
Gently lead us and be near us Till we join the angelic choir
Gentle *lead *near / until we *join angel sing group

- Words with hyphenation are ASL signs.
- Words in parentheses may or may not be signed, depending on your audience. If they are more English, you may want to add the words.
- Words in <> are definitions for the previous word as the previous word has more than one sign.
- Words in quotation marks are words to be dramatized as if you are the speaker.
- Words with asterisks should be signed as a directional sign.