



*Personent Hodie!  
Sing Gaudete!*

*from Gaudete Sunday to Christmas Eve*

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Music from  
Piae Cantiones, 1582

*Score for Unison Voices and Guitar*



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*Liturgical Music*

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1. Personent! Hodie!  
Sing and shout: Turn away!  
Turn from sin! Turn today!  
Turn from sin and sorrow!  
Joy shall come tomorrow!

*Chorus:*  
Sing Gaude-de-te  
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Sing Gaude! Joy today!  
Christ the Lord is coming.

2. John cried out in the night:  
"Christ will come! Christ our light!  
He will set all aright  
By his proclamation  
To each land and nation."

3. John cried "Ho! All, repent!  
God foretold and has sent  
One like us to be spent  
For the sins of people.  
Tell it from the steeple."

4. Christ will come as a thief.  
Time is short! Oh, so brief!  
Christ will steal all our grief  
making us his plunder  
when he comes in wonder.

5. Lift your voice: Gaudete!  
For he comes - Soon the day.  
Yea, rejoice: Gaudete!  
Make your preparation.  
Soon is our salvation.

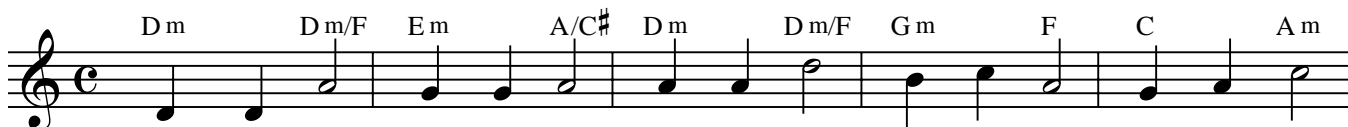
Christmas Eve:  
6. Look the dawn springs on high.  
Red and rose fill the sky.  
For he comes! He is nigh!  
See, the day is dawning.  
Soon will come the morning.

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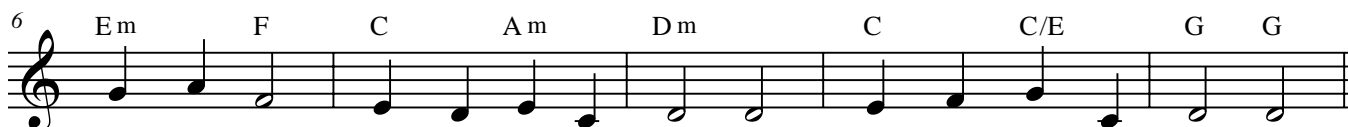
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Tune from Piaie Cantiones, 1582  
 chords from the internet



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2. John cried out in the night: "Christ will come! Christ, our Light! He will set
3. John cried "Ho! All re - pent! God fore - told and has sent One like us
4. Christ will come as a thief. Time is short! Oh, so brief! Christ will steal
5. Lift your voice: Gau - de - te! For he comes, soon the day. Yea, re - joice:
6. Look the dawn springs on high. Red and rose fill the sky. For he comes!



1. Turn to - day! Turn from sin and sor - row! Christ shall come to - mor - row!
2. all a - right by his pro - cla - ma - tion to each land and na - tion."
3. to be spent for the sins of peo - ple. Tell it from the stee - ple!"
4. all our grief mak - ing us his plun - der when he comes in won - der.
5. Gau - de - te! Make your pre - pa - ra - tion. Soon is our sal - va - tion.
6. He is nigh! See, the day is dawn - ing. Soon will come the morn - ing.

Chorus:



Sing Gau - de - de - te! Sing: Gau - de - de - te!



Sing: Gau - de! Joy to - day! Christ the Lord is com - ing!

Latin pronunciation:

Personent = per-soh-nent, which means: "Let them proclaim."

Hodie = hoh-dee-ay, which means: "Today."

Gaudete = gaw-day-tay, which means: "Rejoice!"

The accent should follow the musical accent.

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