He Is Born (Il Est Né)

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He is born, the holy Child, play the oboe and bagpipes merrily!

1. Through long ages of the past, prophets have foretold his coming;

through long ages of the past, now the time has come at last!

He is born, the holy Child, play the oboe and bagpipes merrily!

2. O how lovely, O how pure is this perfect child of heaven;

O how lovely,
O how pure,
gracious gift
to humankind!

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3. Jesus, Lord of all the world, coming as a child among us,

Jesus, Lord of all the world, grant to us thy heavenly peace.

He is born, the holy Child, play the oboe and bagpipes merrily!

Il est né, le divin Enfant, jouez hautbois rèsonnez musettes!

Il est né, le divin Enfant. chantons tous son avènement!