

Bring a torch, Jeanette Isabella

*Lyrics: Emile Blemont (1839-1927)
& Edward Nunn (1863-1914)*

*Attributed to Marc-Antoine Charpentier
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This old French carol - 'Un flambeau, Jeannette Isabella' - originated in Provence in 1553 and was translated into English in the 18th century.

The tune may have been composed by Marc-Antoine Charpentier (1643-1704).



Version: Lead sheet; melody with chord symbols.

Arranged by Kim Tame

Difficulty: Easy

Pages (including cover): 3

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1. Bring a torch, — Jean - nette Is - a - bel - la, Bring a torch, — come

7 D7 G Em Am D7 C
swiftly and run. Christ is born, tell the folk of the vil - lage, Je - sus is

14 G Am D7 G D7 G D7
sleep - ing in his crad - le; Ah, ah, beaut - i - ful is the

21 G Em D7 G D7 G
moth - er, Ah, Ah, beau - ti - ful is her son.

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Bring a torch, come swiftly and run.
Christ is born, tell the folk of the village,
Jesus is sleeping in his cradle;
Ah, ah, beautiful is the mother,
Ah, ah, beautiful is her son.*

*Bring a torch, Jeanette, Isabella!
Bring a torch, to the stable run
Christ is born. Tell the folk of the village
Jesus is born and Mary's calling.
Ah! Ah! beautiful is the Mother!
Ah! Ah! beautiful is her child*

*Who is that, knocking on the door?
Who is it, knocking like that?
Open up, we've arranged on a platter
Lovely cakes that we have brought here
Knock! Knock! Knock! Open the door for us!
Knock! Knock! Knock! Let's celebrate!*

*It is wrong when the child is sleeping,
It is wrong to talk so loud.
Silence, now as you gather around,
Lest your noise should waken Jesus.
Hush! Hush! see how he slumbers;
Hush! Hush! see how fast he sleeps!*

*Softly now unto the stable,
Softly for a moment come!
Look and see how charming is Jesus,
Look at him there, His cheeks are rosy!
Hush! Hush! see how the Child is sleeping;
Hush! Hush! see how he smiles in dreams!*