

# The Sweet Well of Bethlehem

*The Gadsby Hymnal #1091*

Words: Kent, printed in the Gadsby Hymnal, 1838.

Music: Matthew S. Welch, 2004.

Capo 4

intro:

1-4

verse:

1, 4, 5, 1, 4, 1/3, 5

1, 1/7, 4,1, 4, 5, 1

ch:

4, 5, 4, 5, 1

4, 5, 4, 5 1

G D/F# C G  
How welcome to the soul oppressed,  
C C/B D  
In sorrow's vale, by raging thirst,  
G D/F# C G  
Scorched by the sun's meridian beam,  
C D G  
Is the sweet well of Bethlehem!

C D C  
D G  
*The Sweet Well, the sweet well, the sweet well  
of Bethlehem,*

C D C  
D G  
*The Sweet Well, the sweet well, the sweet well  
of Bethlehem.*

Prophets of old and saints the same,  
In every age, of every name,  
Drank of this soul-reviving stream,  
The water sweet of Bethlehem.

*Water sweet, water sweet, water sweet of  
Bethlehem,  
Water sweet, water sweet, water sweet of  
Bethlehem.*

Wide as the stretch of human woe,  
Those death consuming waters flow,  
Spring up o well! be this my theme,  
Thou water sweet of Bethlehem

To cheer when faint, when sick to heal,  
Its wondrous virtues must prevail.  
My sins to crush, my fears to quell,  
Spring up, o stream from Bethlehem.

*The Sweet Well, the sweet well, the sweet well  
of Bethlehem,  
The Sweet Well, the sweet well, the sweet well  
of Bethlehem.*