



'SONG OF HOPE'

CHRISTMAS EVE, 6pm
ON YOUR DOORSTEP



Churches Together in Risborough

Warmly invite you to join us in singing

'O little town of Bethlehem'

At 6pm on your doorstep – invite your neighbours to join in!



**To spread joy and Christmas cheer
for all in our community.**

**May you know the love, joy and peace of
Christ this Christmas.**

Blessing to you and all your household

O little town of Bethlehem,
how still we see thee lie.
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
the silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth,
the everlasting light.
The hopes and fears of all the years
are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary,
and gathered all above
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
their watch of wondering love.
Oh morning stars together,
proclaim thy holy birth.
And praises sing to God the king,
and peace to men on earth.

How silently, how silently,
The wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts
the blessings of his heaven.
No ear may hear his coming;
But in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive him still
The dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem,
Descend to us we pray;
Cast out our sin and enter in;
Be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels
the great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Immanuel.

Phillips Brooks