Christmas Eve

Color: White (symbolizing Life)

The United Methodist Church of Chugiak
Pastor: Rev. David Hall
Ministers: The Entire Congregation
6 pm Drive-In Worship Service
December 24, 2020

Welcome to Christmas Eve Service

Call to Worship

One: We are a people who have walked in deep darkness.
All: We come tonight, seeking to be a people who have seen a great light.
One: Light comes to us on this holiest of nights.
All: The light of a small babe, the light of a bright star
One: The light of God's love
All: Shining for all the earth.
One: Come and see… the child has been born! Lights are shining!

Opening Prayer

Holy God, we pray for your brightness to shine upon our hearts this evening. May we know your grace as it appears for us in the birth, life, death, and resurrection of Christ Jesus. Help us to live lives that are joyous and just, godly and righteous. As we await the blessed hope of your glory to shine on our world forever, we come this night to rejoice in the blessed hope of your glory that already shines in our lives. Shine on us, dear Child, that we may see you not only in the manger but in our hearts as well! Amen.

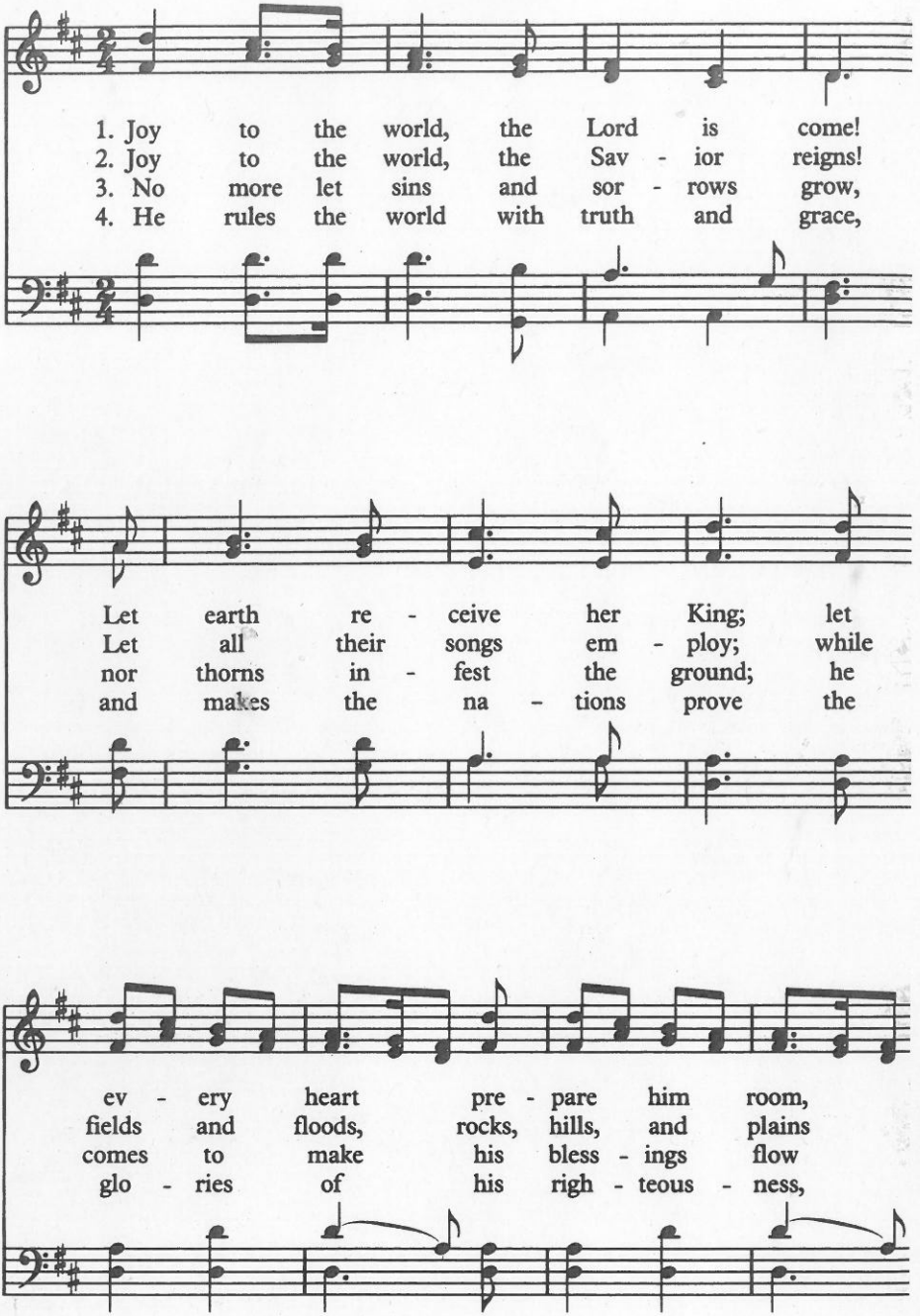
Hymn	"Joy to the World"	UMH #246
Lesson 1:	**Isaiah 9: 2-7**	Tucker Gryting-Lien
Hymn	"O Come O Come Emmanuel"	UMH #211 (vs. 1)
Lesson 2:	**Micah 5: 2-5a**	Erik Rueb
Hymn	"Angels We Have Heard on High"	UMH #238 (vs. 1)
Lesson 3:	**Luke 2: 1-7**	Rylyn Hall

Hymn	"Away in a Manger"	UMH #217 (vs. 1)
Lesson 4:	**Luke 2: 8-16**	Wesley Rueb
Hymn	"The First Noel"	UMH #245 (vs. 1)
Lesson 5:	**Matthew 2: 1-11**	Kelsey Gryting-Lien
Hymn	"We Three Kings"	UMH #254 (vs. 1)
Reading of the Gospel:	**John 1: 1-14**	Pastor David Hall
The Christmas Eve Meditation		Pastor David Hall
Lighting of the Christ Candle		
Candle Light Singing of Silent Night		UMH #239 (vs. 1-4)

Benediction

One: In the midst of darkness, candles have shone.
All: Glory to God in the highest!
One: In the midst of darkness, we have seen the light of Christ.
All: Glory to God in the highest!
One: In the midst of darkness, we have been promised peace and good will.
All: Glory to God in the highest!
One: In the midst of darkness, we go forth to be the light of Christ.
All: Glory to God in the highest! Alleluia! Amen.

246 Joy to the World



WORDS: Issac Watts, 1719 (Ps. 98:4-9)
MUSIC: Arr. from G. F. Handel, 1741, by Lowell Mason, 1848

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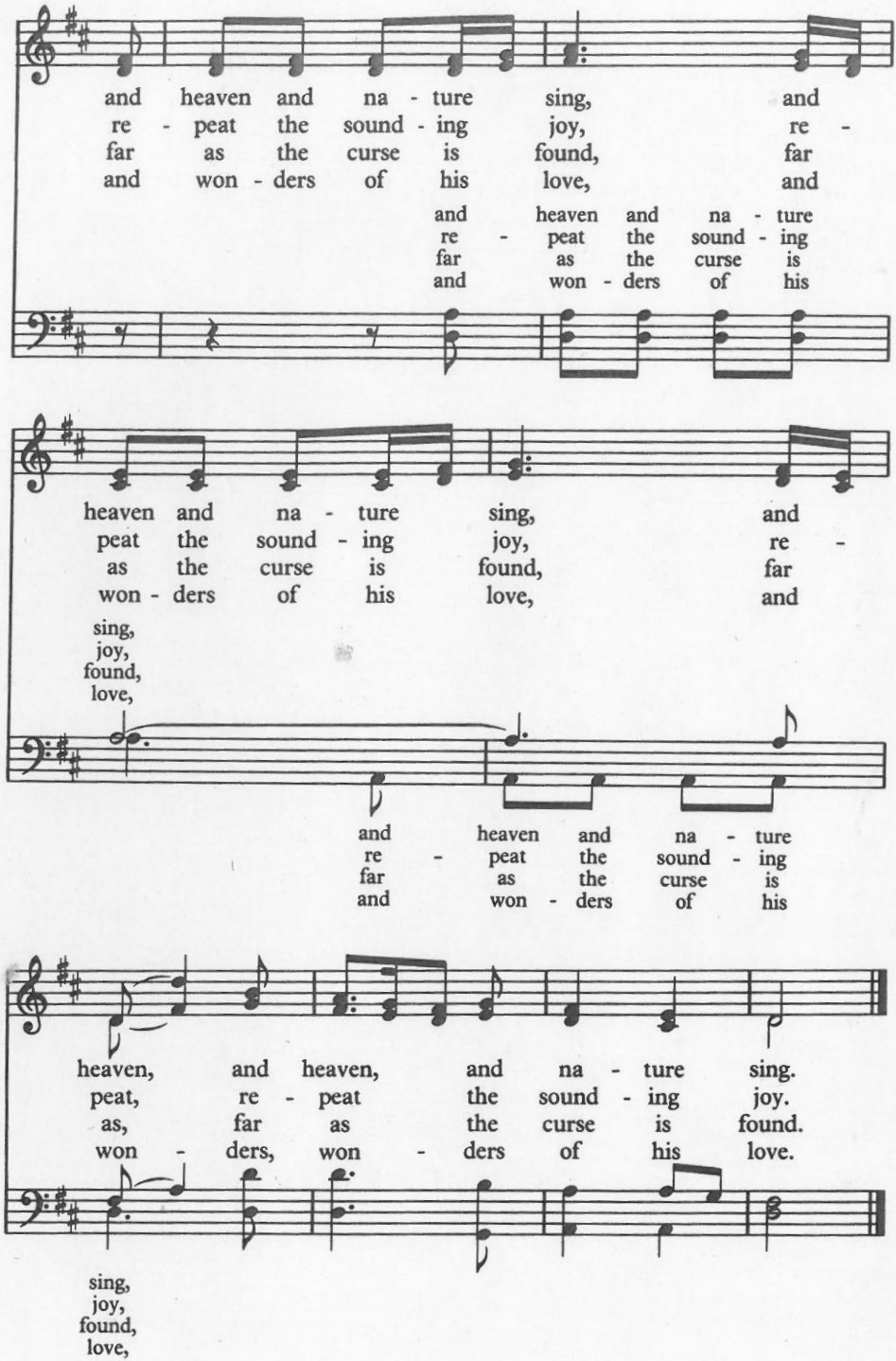
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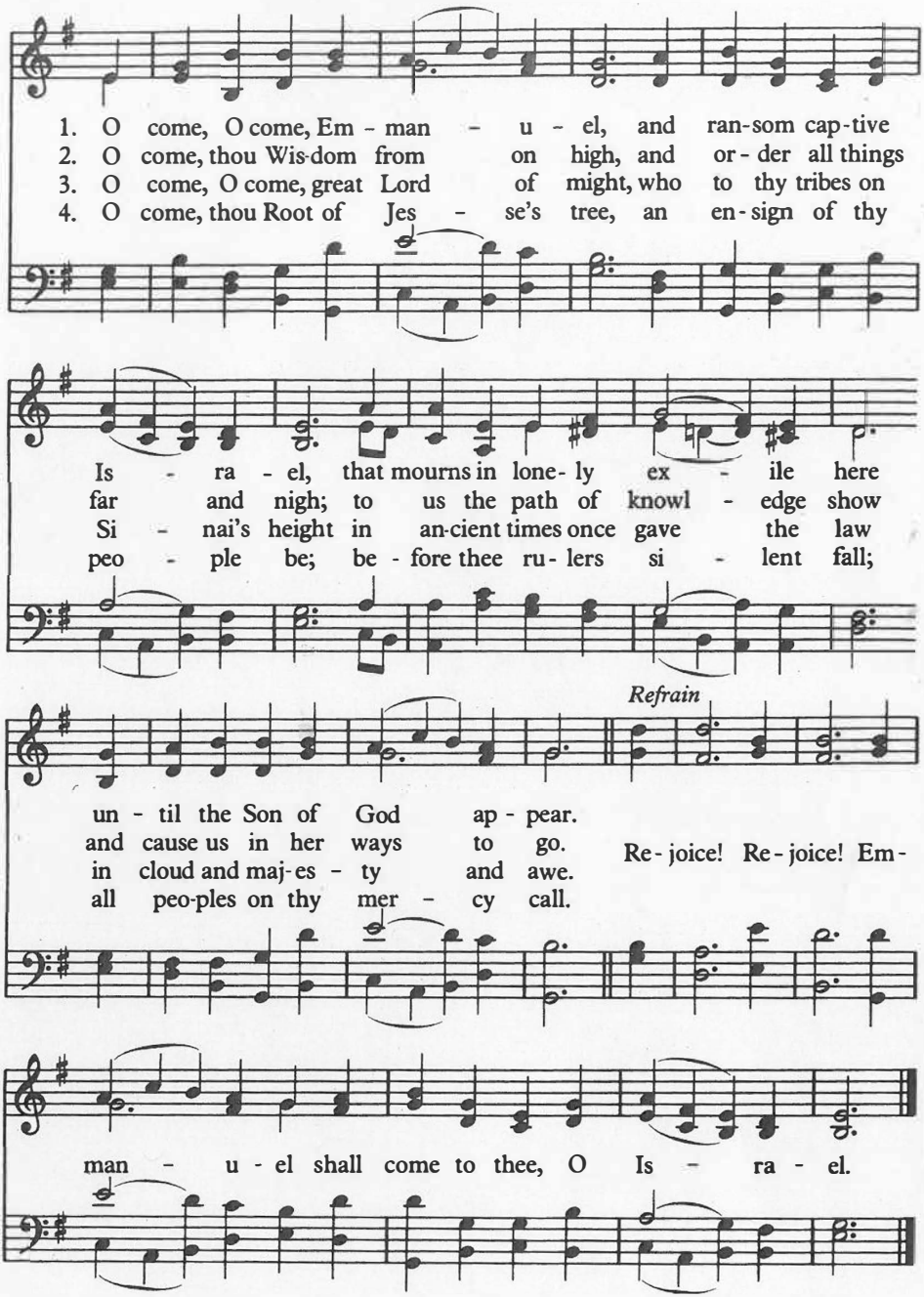
211 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel



WORDS: 9th cent. Latin; trans. st. 1, 3, 5ab, 6cd, 7ab *The Hymnal*, 1940; st. 2, Henry Sloane Coffin, 1916; st. 4, 5cd, 6ab, 7cd, Laurence Hull Stookey, 1986
MUSIC: 15th cent. French; arr. and harm. by Thomas Helmore, 1854

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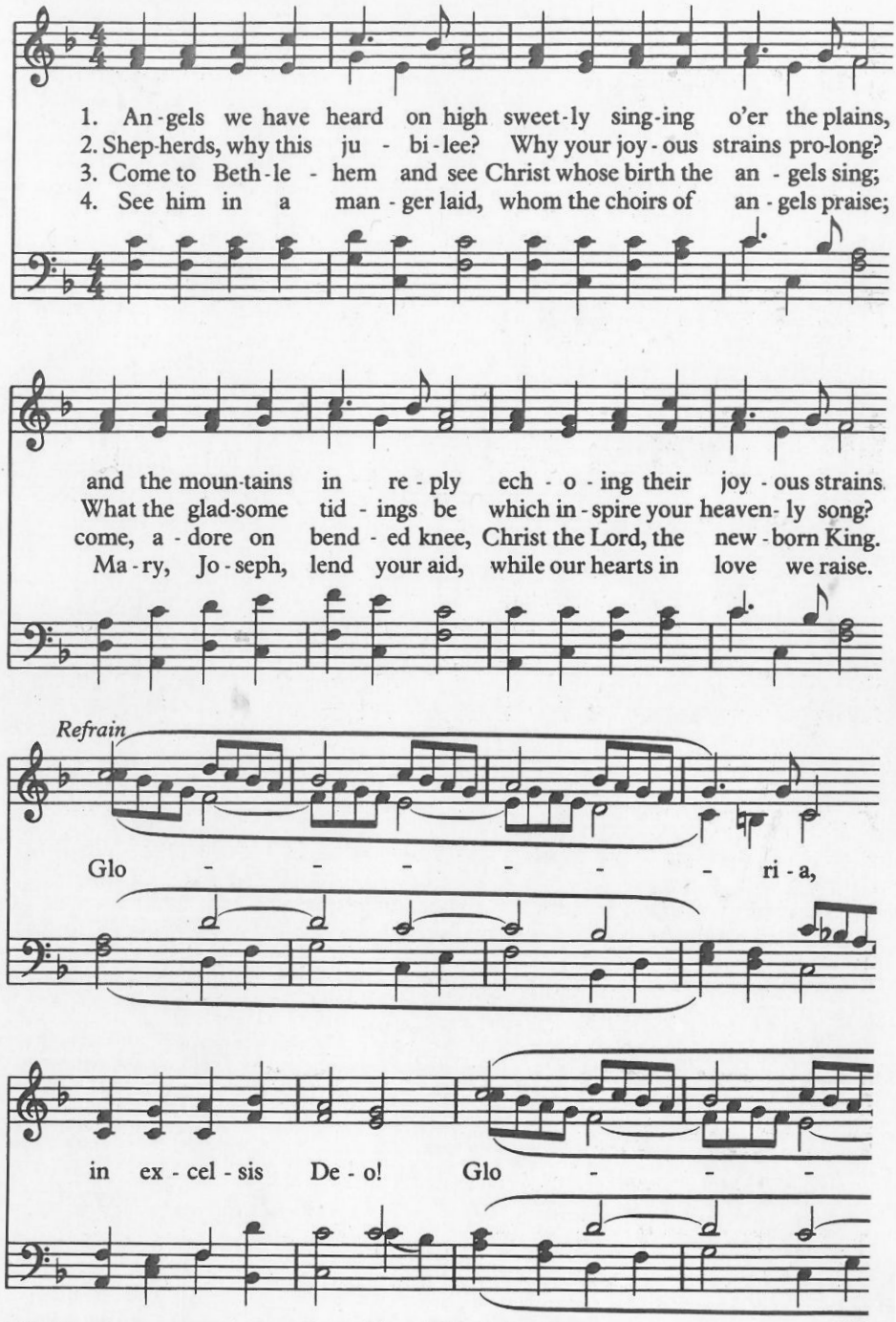

WORDS: Trad. French carol; trans. *Crown of Jesus*, 1862, alt. (Lk. 2:6-20)
MUSIC: French carol melody; arr. by Edward Shippen Barnes, 1937; harm. by Austin C. Lovelace, 1964

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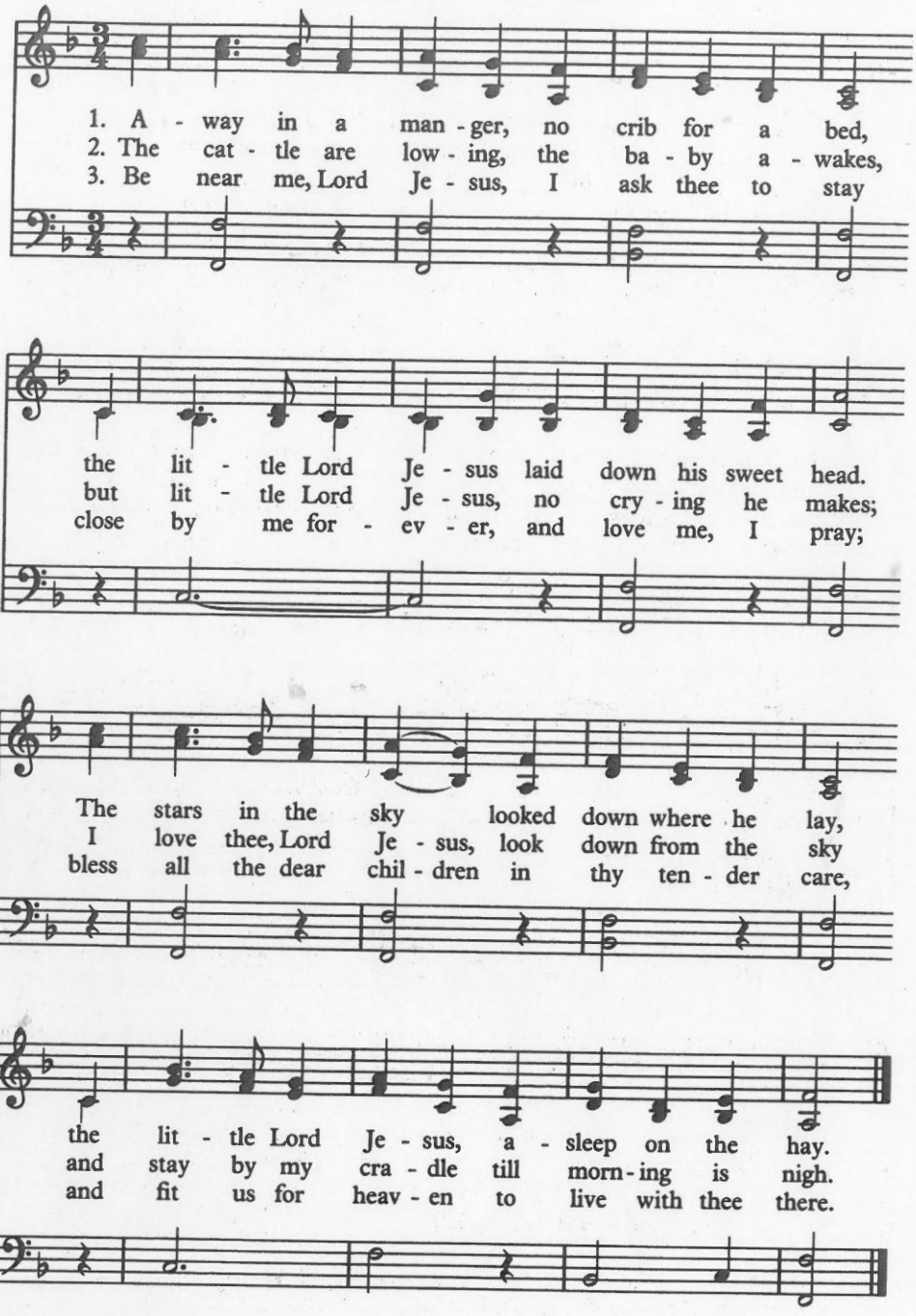
WORDS: Anon. (Lk. 2:7)
MUSIC: James R. Murray, 1887

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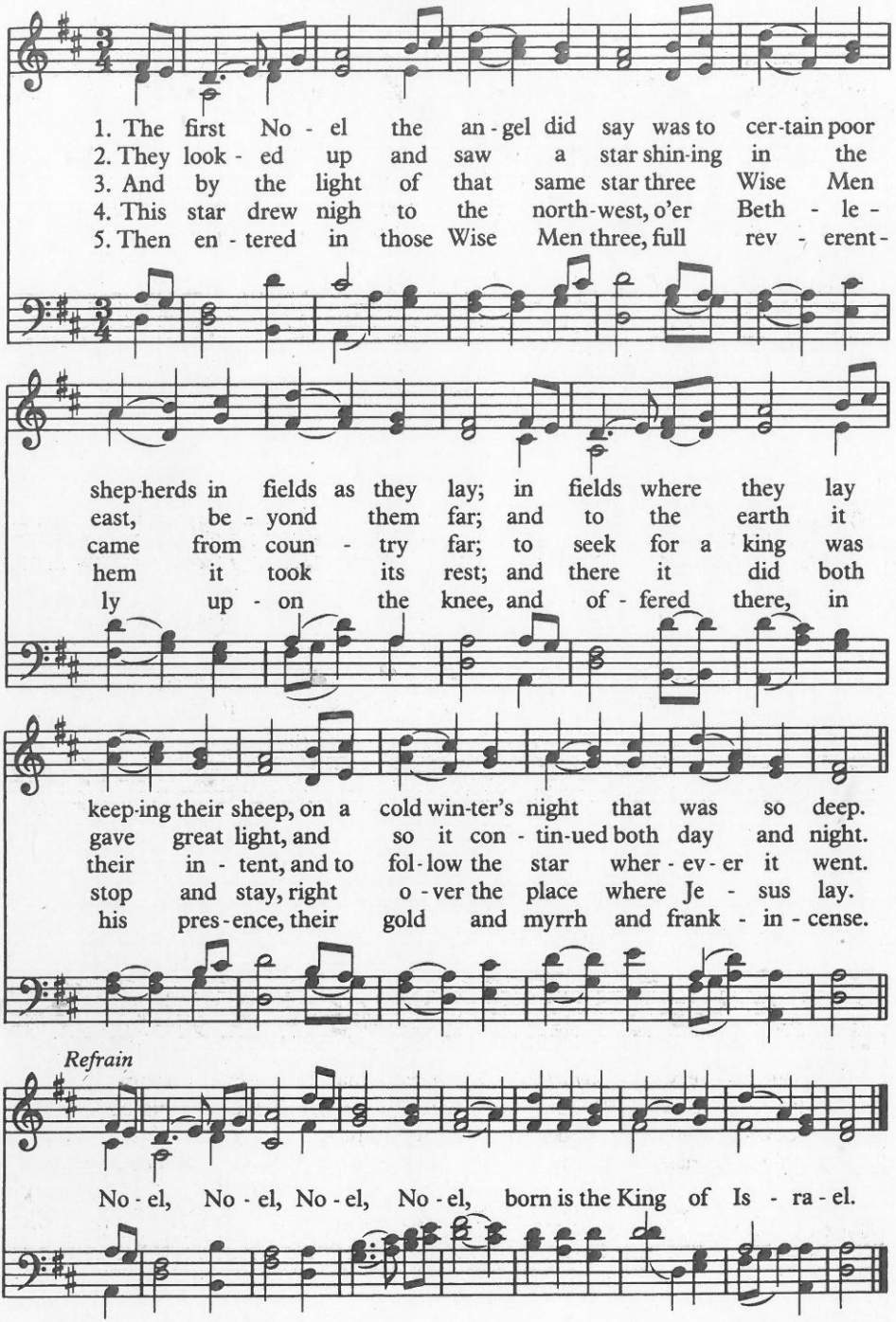

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MUSIC: Trad. English carol; harm. from *Christmas Carols New and Old*, 1871

THE FIRST NOEL
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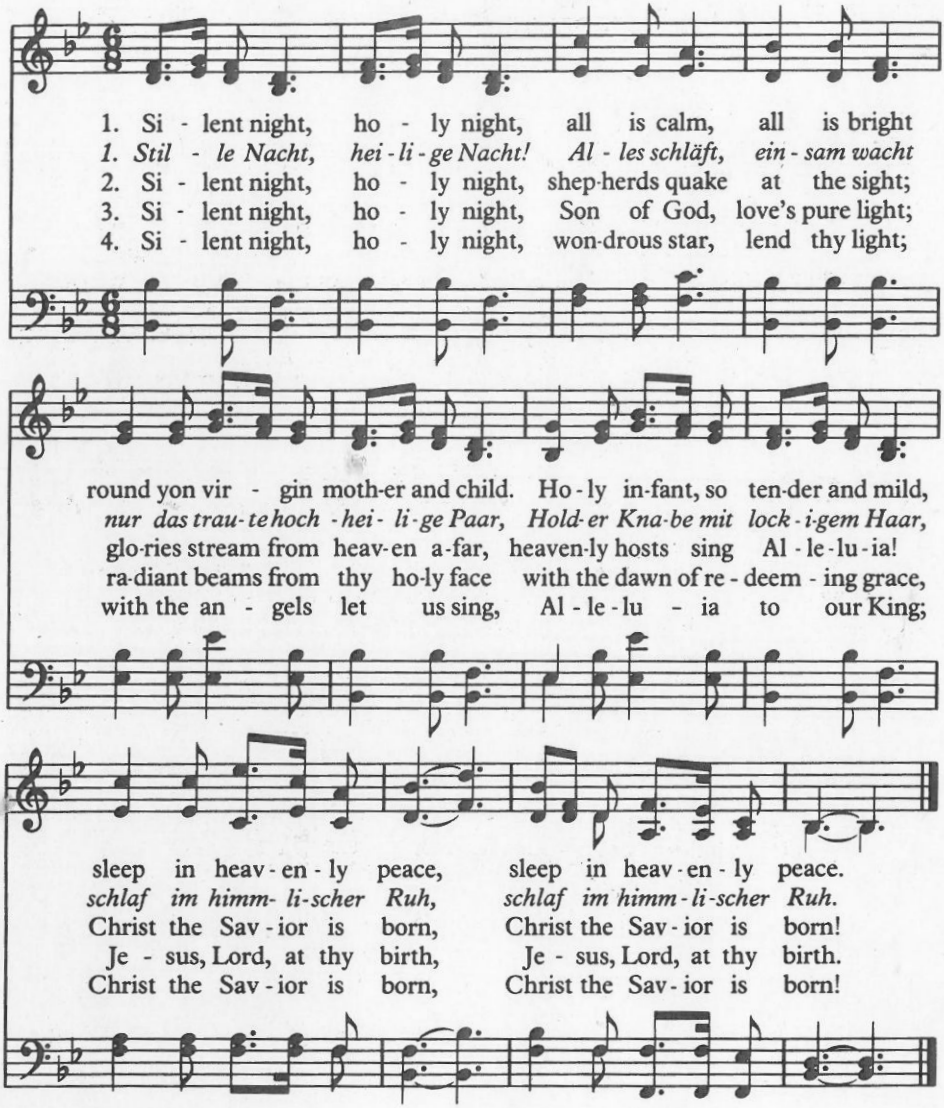
WORDS: Joseph Mohr, 1818, alt.; sts. 1, 2, 3 trans. by John F. Young; st. 4 trans. anon. (Lk. 2:6-20)
MUSIC: Franz Gruber, 1818

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