

# 235 • The First Nowell

Tune: THE FIRST NOWELL (Irregular) Text: Traditional

1. The first Now - ell the an - gel did say was to

The first system of musical notation for 'The First Nowell'. It consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The treble staff contains the melody with lyrics underneath. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics for this system are: '1. The first Now - ell the an - gel did say was to'.

cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay; in

The second system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the melody with lyrics: 'cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay; in'. The bass staff continues the accompaniment.

fields as they lay, keep - ing their sheep, on a cold win - ter's

The third system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the melody with lyrics: 'fields as they lay, keep - ing their sheep, on a cold win - ter's'. The bass staff continues the accompaniment.

night that was so deep. Now - ell, Now - ell, Now -

The fourth system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the melody with lyrics: 'night that was so deep. Now - ell, Now - ell, Now -'. The bass staff continues the accompaniment.

ell, Now - ell, born is the King of Is - ra - el.

The fifth and final system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the melody with lyrics: 'ell, Now - ell, born is the King of Is - ra - el.'. The bass staff continues the accompaniment.

2. They look - ed up and saw a star shin-ing

in the east be - yond them far, and

to the earth it gave great light, and so it con -

tin - ued both day and night. Now - ell, Now - ell, Now -

ell, Now - ell, born is the King of Is - ra - el.

3. And by the light of that same star three

wise men came from coun - try far; to

seek for a king was their in - tent, and to fol - low the

star wher - ev - er it went. Now - ell, Now - ell, Now -

ell, Now - ell, born is the King of Is - ra - el.

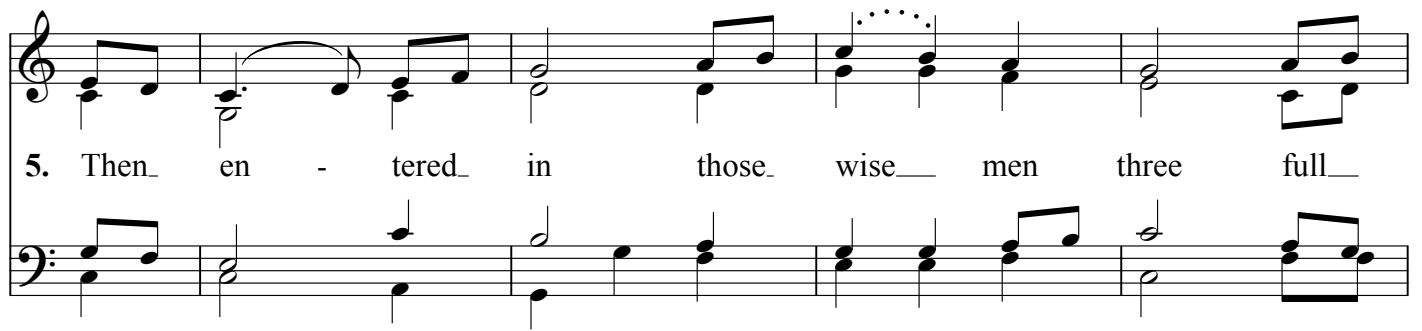
4. This star drew nigh to the north-west, o'er

Beth-le-hem it took its rest, and

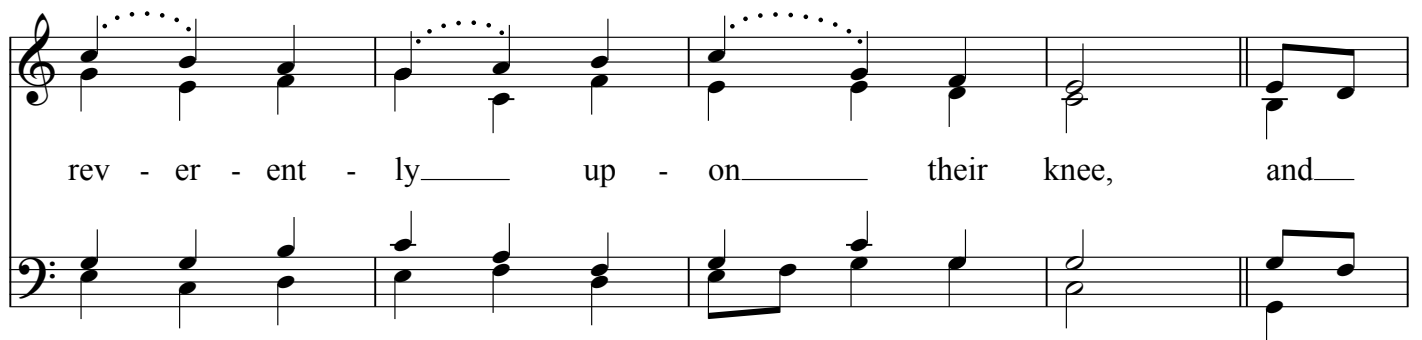
there it did both stop and stay right o-ver the

place where Je-sus lay. Now-ell, Now-ell, Now-

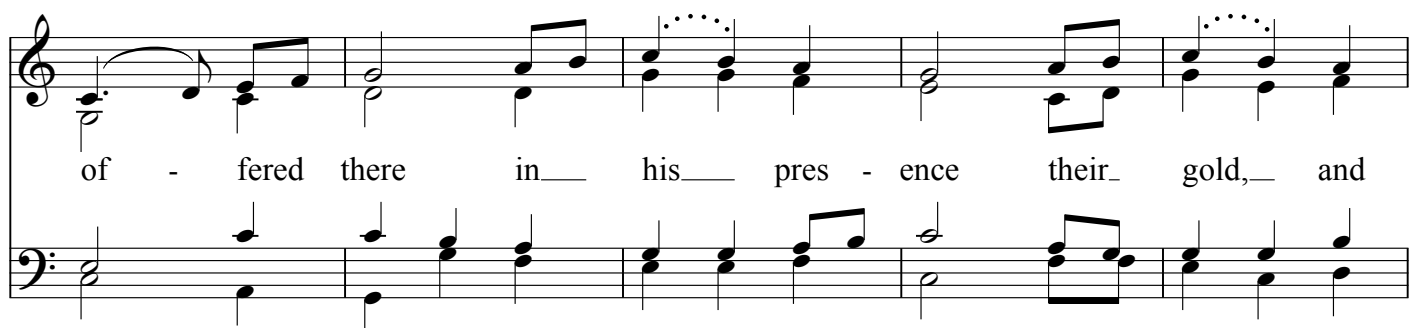
ell, Now-ell, born is the King of Is-ra-el.



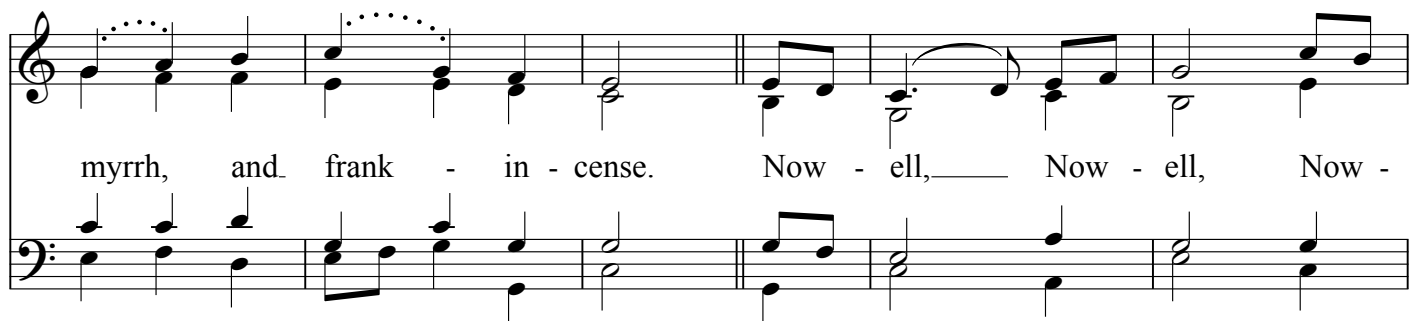
5. Then en - tered in those wise men three full



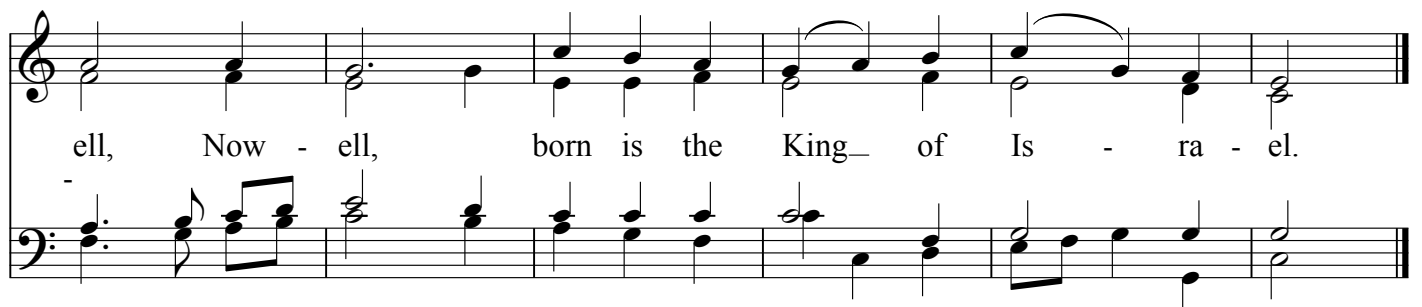
rev - er - ent - ly up - on their knee, and



of - fered there in his pres - ence their gold, and



myrrh, and frank - in - cense. Now - ell, Now - ell, Now -



ell, Now - ell, born is the King of Is - ra - el.

6. Then let us all with one accord sing

praises to our heavenly Lord; that

hath made heav'n and earth of nought, and with his

blood mankind hath bought. Now - ell, Now - ell, Now -

ell, Now - ell, born is the King of Israel.