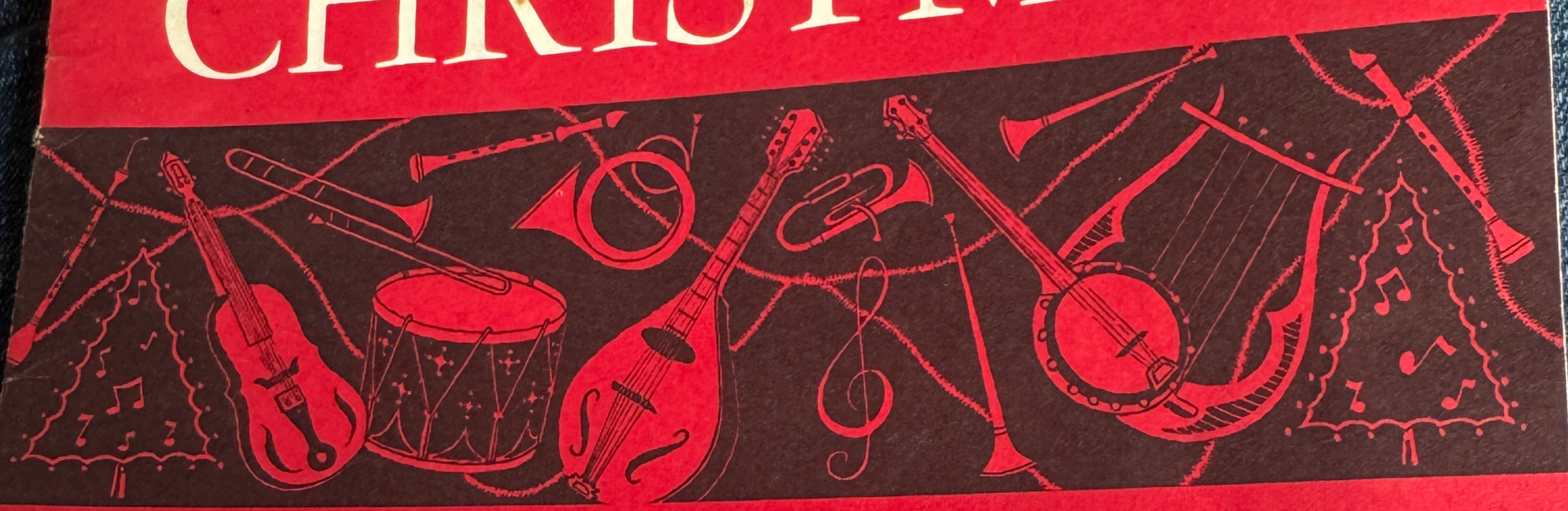
CHRISTMAS



CAROL BOOK

For General Motors Men and Women

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AWAY IN A MANGER

Martin Luther

German

1. A - way in a man - ger, no crib for His bed, The lit - tle Lord
2. The cat - tle are low - ing, the ba - by a - wakes, But lit - tle Lord

Je - sus laid down His sweet head. The stars in the sky looked
Je - sus, no cry - ing He makes. I love Thee, Lord Je - sus, look

down where He lay, The lit - tle Lord Je - sus, a - sleep on the hay.
down from the sky, And stay by my cra - dle till morn - ing is nigh.

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HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING

Charles Wesley

Felix Mendelssohn

1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, — "Glo - ry to the new - born King;
2. Christ, by high - est heaven a - dored, — Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord!
3. Hail, the heaven - born Prince of Peace! — Hail, the Sun of Right - eous - ness!

Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, — God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!"
Come, De - sire of Na - tions, come, — Fix in us Thy hum - ble home.
Light and life to all He brings, — Risen with heal - ing in His wings;

Joy - ful, all ye na - tions rise, — Join the tri - umph of the skies; —
Veiled in flesh the God - head see; — Hail th' In car - nate De - i - ty, —
Mild He lays His glo - ry by, — Born that man no more may die, —

With th' an - gel - ic host pro - claim, "Christ is — born in Beth - le - hem!"
Pleased as man with men to dwell; Je - sus, — our Em - man - u - el!
Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to — give them sec - ond birth;

Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry — to the new - born King!"

DECK THE HALL

Old Welsh

1. Deck the hall with boughs of hol - ly,
2. See the blaz - ing Yule be - fore us,
3. Fast a - way the old year pass - es,

Fa la la la la, la la la la.

'Tis the sea - son to be jol - ly,
Strike the harp and join the cho - rus,
Hail the new, ye lads and lass - es,

Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Don we now our gay ap - par - el,
Fol - low me in mer - ry meas - ure,
Sing we joy - ous all to - geth - er,

Fa la, la la, la la la,

Troll the an - cient Yule - tide car - ol,
While I tell of Yule - tide treas - ure,
Heed - less of the wind and weath - er,

Fa la la la la, la la la la.

O CHRISTMAS TREE

German

O Christ-mas tree, O Christ-mas tree! How ev-er-green your branch-es!

1. Not on - ly green when sum - mer glows,
2. You nev - er change the whole year 'round,
3. Your con - stan - cy shows us the way

But in the win - ter when it snows.
You bright - en up the snow - y ground.
In truth and love to be each day.

O Christ-mas tree, O Christ-mas tree! How ev - er-green your branch - es!

I HEARD THE BELLS ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

J. Baptiste Calkin

1. I heard the bells on Christ - mas day, Their old fa - mil - iar car - ols play, And wild and sweet the words re - peat of peace on earth, good will to men.
2. I thought how, as the day had come, The bel - fries of all Chris - ten - dom, Had rolled a - long th' un - bro - ken song, of peace on earth, good will to men.

3. And in despair I bow'd my head,
"There is no peace on earth," I said,
"For hate is strong, and mocks the song
of peace on earth, good will to men."

4. Then pealed the bells more loud and deep:
"God is not dead, nor doth He sleep;
The wrong shall fail, the right prevail,
With peace on earth, good will to men."

O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

Phillips Brooks

Lewis H. Redner

1. O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, How still we see thee lie! above,
2. For Christ is born of Ma - ry; And gath - ered all a - bove,

A - bove thy deep and dream-less sleep The si - lent stars go by.
While mor - tals sleep, the an - gels keep Their watch of won-dering love.

Yet in thy dark streets shin - eth The ev - er - last - ing Light;
O morn - ing stars, to - geth - er Pro - claim the ho - ly birth;

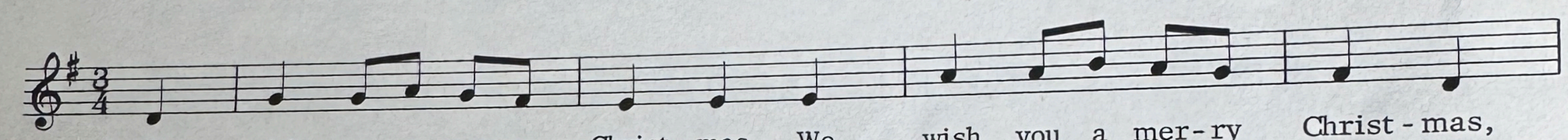
The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee to - night.
And prais - es sing to God the King, And peace to men on earth.

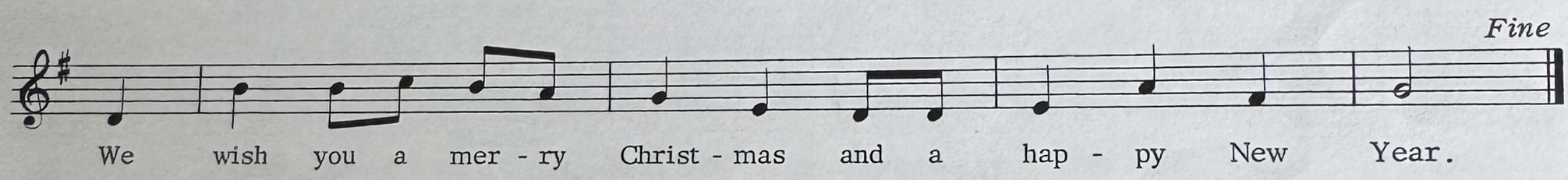
3. How silently, how silently
The wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of His heaven.
No ear may hear His coming,
But in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive Him still,
The dear Christ enters in.

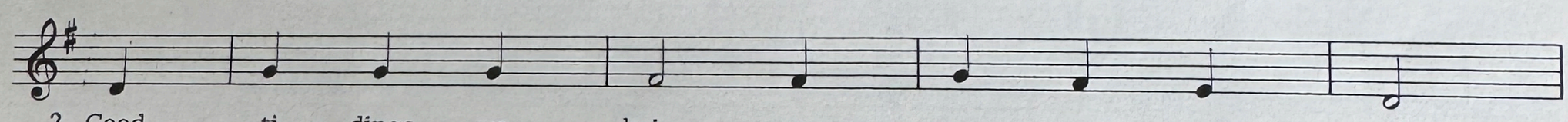
4. O holy Child of Bethlehem,
Descend to us, we pray!
Cast out our sin, and enter in,
Be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Emmanuel!

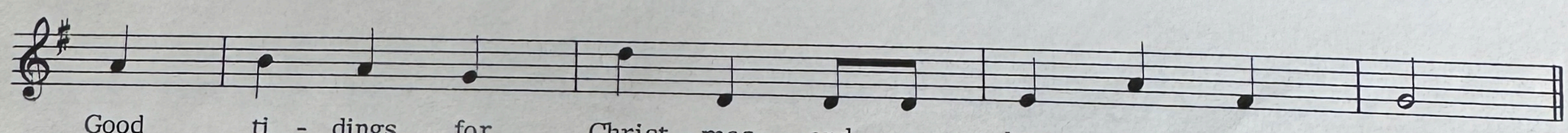
WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS

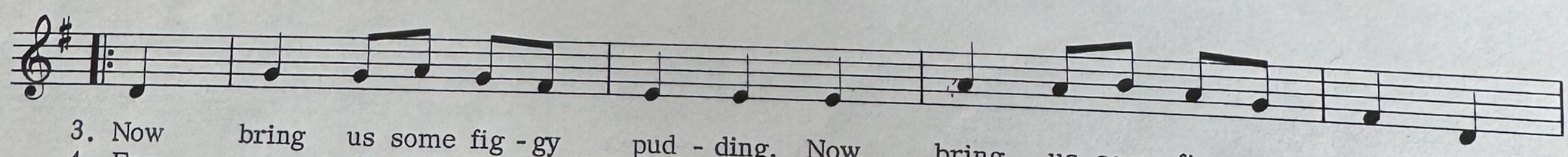
English

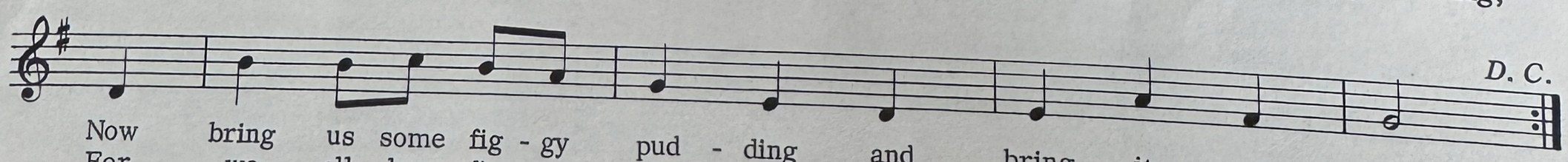












O HOLY NIGHT

John Dwight

Adolphe Adam

1. O ho - ly night! The stars were bright - ly shin - ing, It was the night of the dear Sav - ior's birth.
2. Tru - ly He taught that we should love each oth - er, His law is love, and His gos - pel is peace.

Long lay the world in sin and er - ror pin - ing, Till He ap - peared and the soul felt its worth.
Chains shall He break, the slave shall be our broth - er, And in His name all op - pres - sion shall cease.

A thrill of hope the wea - ry world re - joic - es, For yon - der breaks a Sweet hymns of joy in grate - ful cho - rus raise we, Let all with - in us, new and glo - rious morn.
praise His ho - ly name.

Fall on your knees, O hear the an - gel voic - es! O night divine, O night Then ev - er, ev - er praise we! His pow'r and glo - ry ev - er - more pro-claim!

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night divine, O night divine, O night divine, O night divine, O night divine, O night divine.
ev - er - more pro-claim! His pow'r and glo - ry ev - er - more pro-claim!

SILENT NIGHT

Joseph Möhr

Franz Grüber

1. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, All is calm, all is bright,
2. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Shep - herds quake at the sight,
3. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Son of God, love's pure light

Round yon Vir - gin Moth - er and Child. Ho - ly In - fant, so ten - der and mild,
Glo - ries stream from heav- en a - far, Heav'n - ly Hosts sing al - le - lu - ia;
Ra - diant beams from Thy ho - ly face, With the dawn of re - deem - ing grace,

Sleep in heav - en - ly peace, Sleep in heav - en - ly peace.
Christ the Sav - ior is born! Christ the Sav - ior is born!
Je - sus, Lord, at Thy birth, Je - sus, Lord, at Thy birth.

O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

Latin Hymn

1. O come, all ye faith - ful, Joy - ful and tri - um - phant,
2. O sing, choirs of an - gels; Sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
3. All hail! Lord we greet Thee, Born this hap - py morn - ing;

O come, ye, O come, ye to Beth - le - hem; Come and be - hold Him,
O sing all ye cit - i - zens of heav - en a - bove; Glo - ry to God
O Je - sus, to Thee be all glo - ry given; Word of the Fa - ther,

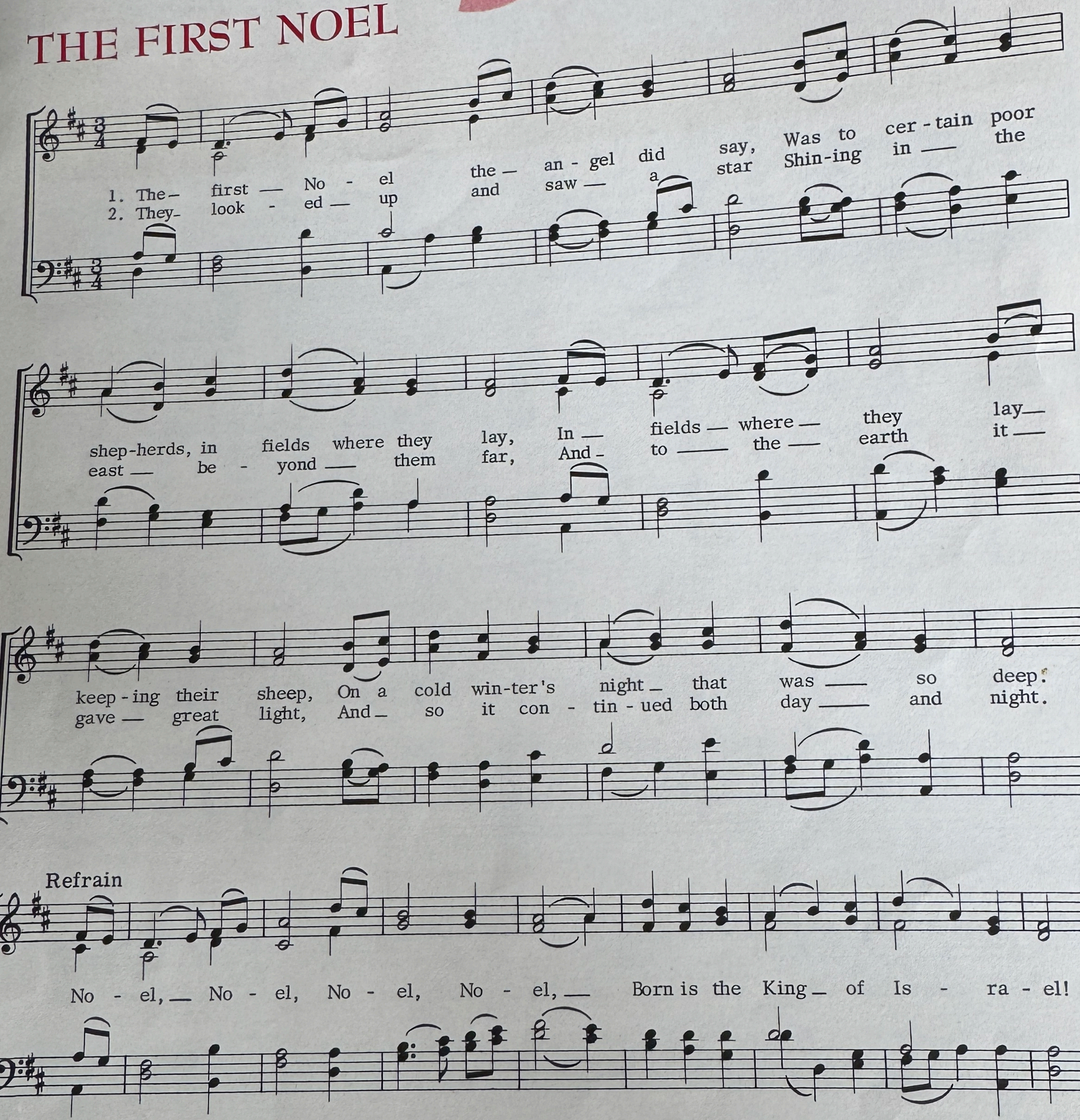
Refrain

Born the King of an - gels;
in the high - est;
now in flesh ap - pear - ing;
O come, let us a - dore Him, O come, let us a -

dore Him, O come, let us a - dore Him, Christ the Lord.

THE FIRST NOEL

Old English



3. And by the light of that same star,
Three Wise Men came from a country afar,
To seek for a king was their intent,
And to follow the star wherever it went.

REFRAIN

4. This star drew nigh to the northwest,
O'er Bethlehem then it took its rest,
And there it did both stop and stay,
Right over the place where Jesus lay.

REFRAIN

WE THREE KINGS OF ORIENT ARE

John Henry Hopkins

All: We three kings of O - ri - ent are,
Melchior: Born a King on Beth -le-hem's plain,
Caspar: Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I,

Bear - ing gifts we tra - verse a - far
Gold I bring to crown Him a - gain,
In - cense owns a De - i - ty nigh;

Field and foun - tain, moor and moun - tain, Fol - low - ing yon - der star.
King for - ev - er, ceas - ing nev - er O - ver us all reign.
Prayer and prais - ing, all men rais - ing, Wor - ship Him, God on high.

Refrain

O star of won - der, star of night, Star with roy - al beau - ty bright,
West - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, Guide us to thy per - fect light.

Balthazar: Myrrh is mine: its bitter perfume
Breathes a life of gathering gloom;
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying,
Sealed in the stone-cold tomb.

REFRAIN

All: Glorious now behold Him arise,
King and God and Sacrifice;
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Sounds thro' the earth and skies.

REFRAIN

JOY TO THE WORLD

Isaac Watts

Arr. from George F. Handel
by Lowell Mason

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come: Let earth re - ceive her King, Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him room, And heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
2. Joy to the world! the Sav - ior reigns; Let men their songs em - ploy, While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
3. He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the na - tions prove The glo - ries of his right - eous - ness, The won - ders of his love, The won - ders of his love, The won - ders, the won - ders of his love.

ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

French

1. An - gels we have heard on high, Sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,
2. Shep-herds, why this jub - i - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?
3. Come to Beth - le - hem and see Him whose birth the an - gels sing;

And the moun-tains in re - ply, Ech - o - ing their joy - ous strains.
What the glad - some tid - ings be Which in - spire your heav'n - ly song?
Come, a - dore on bend - ed knee, Christ the Lord, the new - born King.

Refrain

p Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o,

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GOD REST YOU MERRY, GENTLEMEN

Old English

1. God rest you mer - ry, gen - tle - men, Let noth - ing you dis - may, Re -
2. From God our heav'n - ly Fa - ther, A bless - ed An - gel came, And

mem - ber Christ our Sa - viour Was born on Christ-mas Day, To
un - to cer - tain Shep - herds Brought tid - ings of the same; How

save us all from Sa - tan's pow'r When we were gone a - stray.
that in Beth - le - hem was born The Son of God by Name.

Refrain

O — tid - ings of com - fort and joy, com - fort and joy, O — tid - ings of com - fort and joy.

3. The Shepherds at those tidings
Rejoiced much in mind
And left their flocks a-feeding
In tempest, storm, and wind,
And went to Bethlehem straightway,
The Son of God to find.

REFRAIN

4. Now to the Lord sing praises,
All you within this place,
And with true love and brotherhood
Each other now embrace;
This holy tide of Christmas
All other doth deface.

REFRAIN