

The First Noel

Rubato, with warmth and wonder ♩ = 69-76

Soprano *p* No - - - el, - - - No - - -

Alto *p* No - - - el, No - - -

Piano *mp*

6 S. *mf* - el, Born is the King, *poco rit.*

A. *mf* - el, No - el, No - - - el, *poco rit.*

Pno *f* *poco rit.*

10

S. No - - - el, **a tempo** unis. *p* gently
No - - - el, The first No -

A. No - - - el, **a tempo**

Pno *p* **a tempo**

Detailed description: This block contains the musical score for measures 10 through 13. It features three staves: Soprano (S.), Alto (A.), and Piano (Pno). The key signature is two sharps (F# and C#). The Soprano part begins with a melodic line starting on G4, moving to A4, B4, and then a long note on C5. The Alto part has a similar melodic line. The Piano accompaniment starts with a piano (*p*) dynamic and features a steady eighth-note bass line in the left hand and chords in the right hand. Performance markings include 'a tempo' and 'unis. p' for the Soprano part, and 'a tempo' for the Alto and Piano parts.

14

S. - el, the an - gels did say, was to cer - tain poor

A.


Pno

Detailed description: This block contains the musical score for measures 14 through 17. It features three staves: Soprano (S.), Alto (A.), and Piano (Pno). The key signature remains two sharps. The Soprano part continues the melodic line from the previous block, with lyrics: '- el, the an - gels did say, was to cer - tain poor'. The Alto part is silent, indicated by a whole rest in each measure. The Piano accompaniment continues with a steady eighth-note bass line and chords in the right hand. A fermata is placed over the final chord in measure 17.

18

S. 
shep - herds in fields where they lay, ___

A. 
In ___ fields ___ where

Pno 

22

S. 

A. 
they lay keep - ing their sheep, On a cold win - ter's night_ that

Pno 

27 *mp* No - el, No - el, No el, - No -

S. *mp* No - el, No - el, No - el, No -

A. *mp* was so deep No - el, No - el, No - el, No -

Pno *mp*

32 *mf* - el,

S. *mf* - el! Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

A. *mf* - el! Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

Pno *mf* *mp* *mp*

37

S. 
They look - ed_ up and

A. 

Pno 
simile

42

S. 
saw_ a star Shin - ing in_ the east, be - yond_ them

A. 
Saw a star Shin - ing in the east, be - yond them

Pno 

47

S. far. And to the earth it gave great light, And so it con -

A. far And - to the earth it gave great light and so it con -

Pno *mp*

53

S. - tin - ued both day and night. No - el, No -
No - el,

A. - tin - ued both day and night. No - el, No - el, No -

Pno *mf*

58 *poco rit.*

S. - el, No - el, No - el, Born is the

A. - el, No - el, Born is the

poco rit.

Pno *poco rit.* *f*

62 *non rit.*

S. King of Is - - ra - el.

A. King of Is - - ra - el,

Pno *non rit.*