



Written for the Capital University Chapel Choir, Christmas Festival 2007,
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Carol of the Birds

For SATB Choir and Piano

Traditional French Carol
Arranged by CRAIG COURTNEY
(ASCAP)

Flowing, ♩ = 86

17 *rit.* *mp* TB unis *a tempo*
"Tell us, ye birds, why come ye here,

21p4 *poco rit.* *a tempo*
In - to this sta - ble, poor and drear?" "Hast - 'ning we seek the new-born King,

25 *rit.*
And all our sweet - est mu - sic bring." * *

28 *a tempo* *rit.* TB *mp* *a tempo*
Hark! how the green-finch
bears his part, Phil - o - mel, too, with ten - der heart, _____
Night-in-gale,

31p5 *mf*
Chants from her leaf - y dark re - treat, "Re, mi, fa, sol," in

34 *ac - cents* *rit.* *mp* *sweet.* *rit.*
a tempo



a tempo *rit.*

a tempo *simile* *molto rit.*

41p6

unis. f a tempo

An - gels and shep - herds, birds of the sky,

43

Come where the Son of God doth lie;

45

Christ on earth with man doth dwell,

47

rit.

Join in the shout, "No - el, No - el,"

49

ff *el!"* *a tempo*

51

8va