

The First Noël

Traditional

Traditional French (18th Century)

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1. The first_ No - ël the an-gel did say, Was to certain poor
 2. They look - ed_ up and saw_ a Star Shining in_ the
 3. And by the_ light of_ that_ same Star Three wise men
 4. This star_ drew nigh to_ the_ North West, O'er Beth - le -
 5. Then en - ter'd in those Wise-men three, Full_ rev - 'rent-
 6. Then let_ us_ all with one_ ac - cord, Sing prais - es

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shepherds in fields as they lay; In_ fields_ where they lay_
 East_ be - yond_ them far, And to_ the_ earth it_
 came_ from coun - try far; To_ seek_ for a King was
 hem_ it took_ its rest, And there_ it_ did both
 ly_ on bend - ed knee, And of - fer'd there in_
 to_ our Heav - en - ly Lord, That hath_ made Heav'n and

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keeping their sheep On a cold winter's night that was_ so deep.
 gave_ great light, And so it con - tin-ued both day_ and night.
 their in - tent, And to fol-low the star where e'er_ it went.
 stop_ and stay Right o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.
 His_ pres-ence, Their gold_ and myrrh and frank - in - cense.
 earth of naught, And with_ His Blood man - kind_ hath bought.

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ff No - ël, No - ël, No - ël, No - ël, Born is the King of Is - ra - el.