

• NATIVITY OF OUR LORD •

Christmas Eve

December 24, 2025

3pm



Prelude

What Child is This

(arr. Mark Hayes)

Kevin Klemm



The background is a deep blue night sky. A large, ethereal blue nebula or galaxy core is centered in the upper half. Numerous white stars of varying sizes are scattered across the sky. At the bottom, there is a dark silhouette of a forest or trees.

Welcome

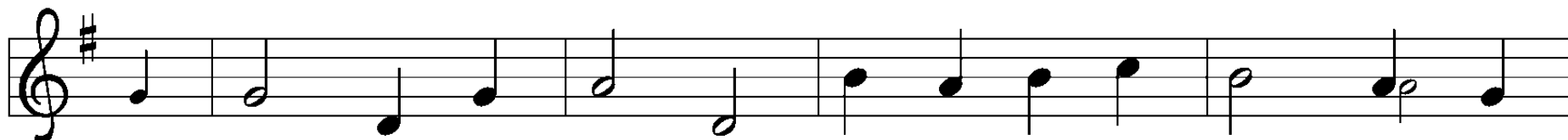
THANK YOU FOR COMING

Opening Hymn

O Come All Ye
Faithful
ELW #283



O Come, All Ye Faithful, ELW #283, Verse 1



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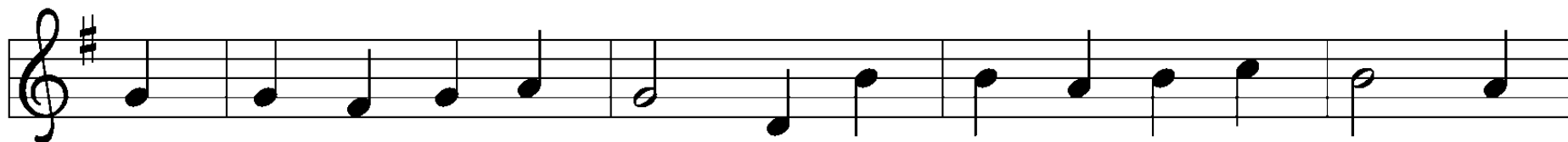
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O Come, All Ye Faithful, ELW #283, Verse 1, Refrain

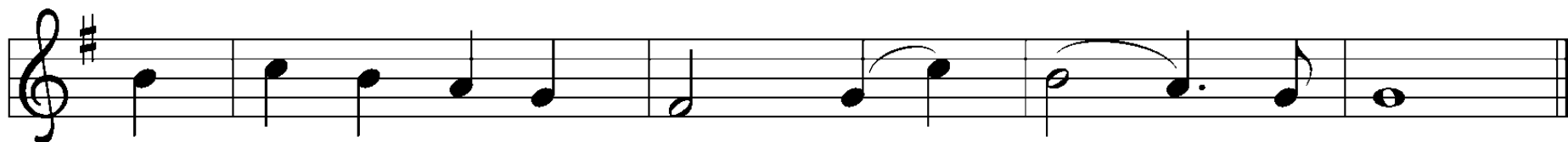


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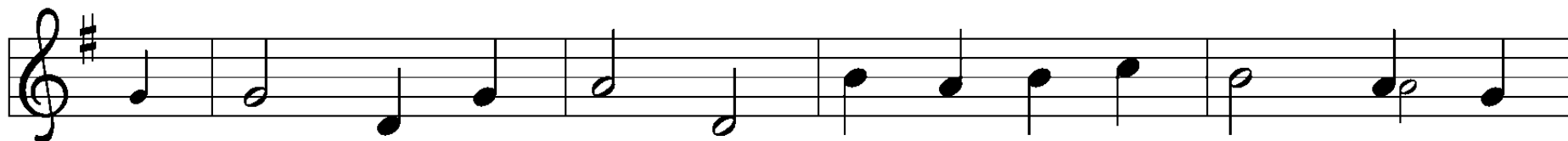
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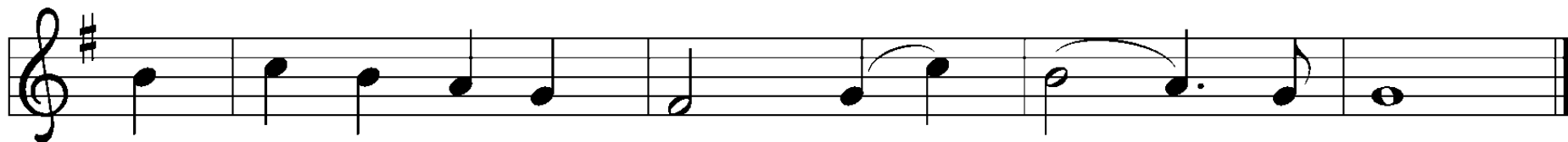


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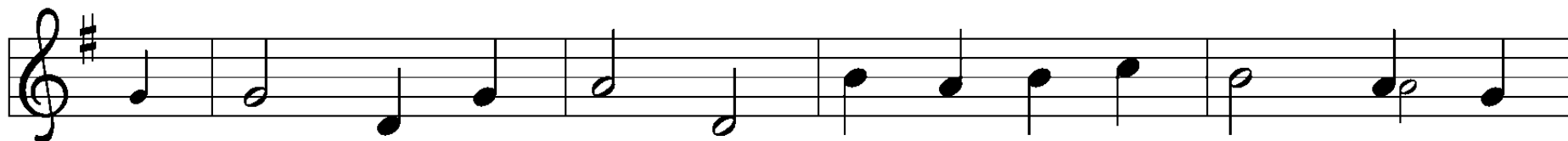
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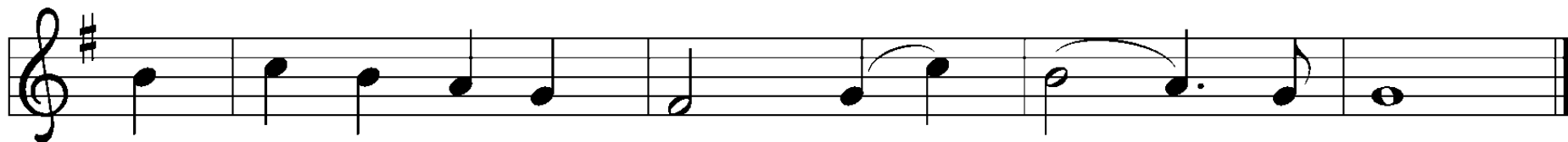


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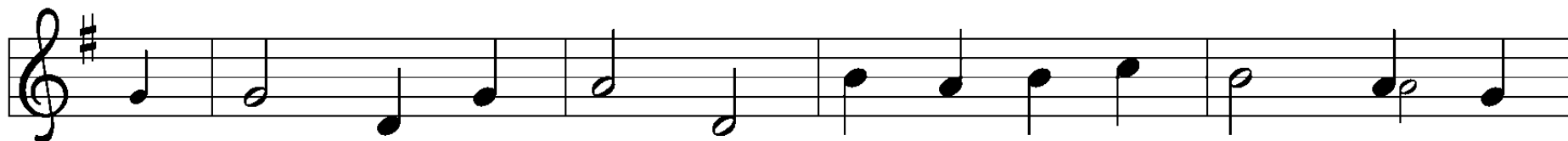
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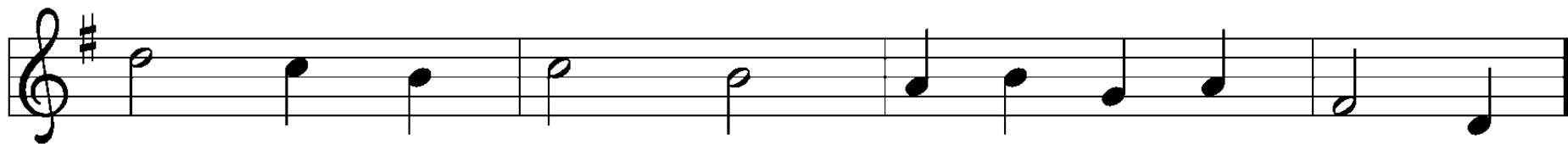
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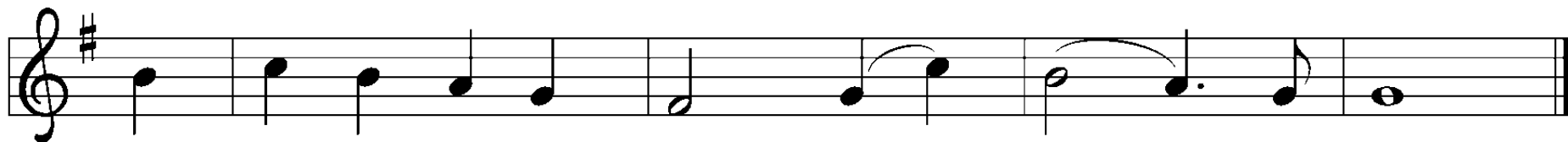


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Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty Savior,
Prince of Peace.

C: Amen.








P: Trusting in God's steadfast love and
faithfulness, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.



P: Reconciling God,

C: we yearn for your presence to transform our grief, pain, and despair. We confess that we have not always prepared room in our hearts for your love; we have not always recognized your presence among us; we have not always embraced your message of peace.

 We cry out, weary with the burden of
violence,  oppression, and fear. We 
confess our failure to make  room for
those seeking refuge; our
participation in violent systems that
harm your innocent ones; our 
reluctance to embody your good
news. Be born in us today and teach
us to sing the joyful song of your
salvation. Amen.



P: God's grace upon grace flows
over you. + Christ's presence
redeems the whole creation. Your
sins are forgiven. Let the earth
rejoice and be glad!



C: Amen



Greeting



P: Today Christ is born: Alleluia,
alleluia! The grace of our Lord
Jesus Christ, the love of God, and
the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.

C: And also with you.

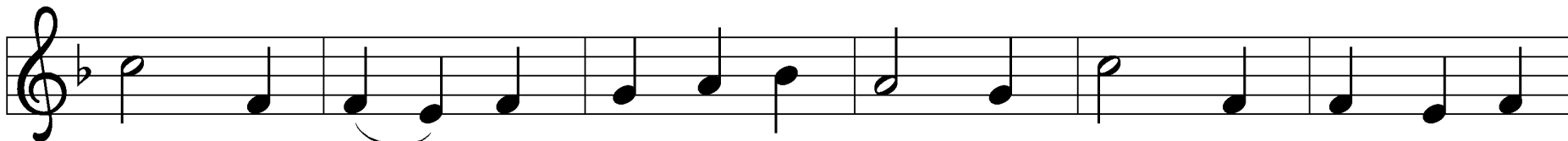


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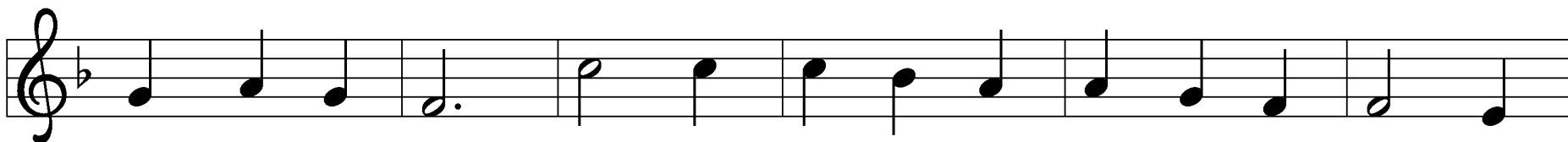
The Christ Candle



Love Has Come, ELW #292, Verse 1

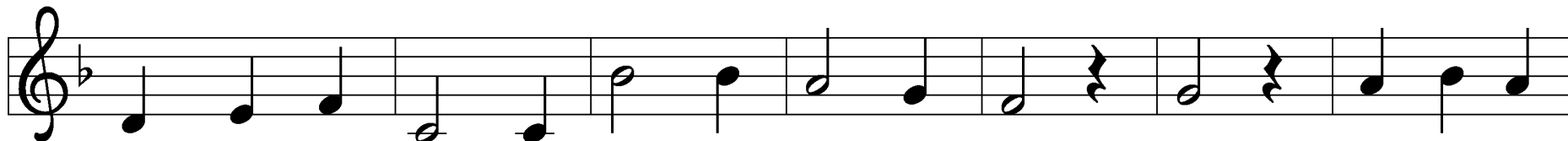


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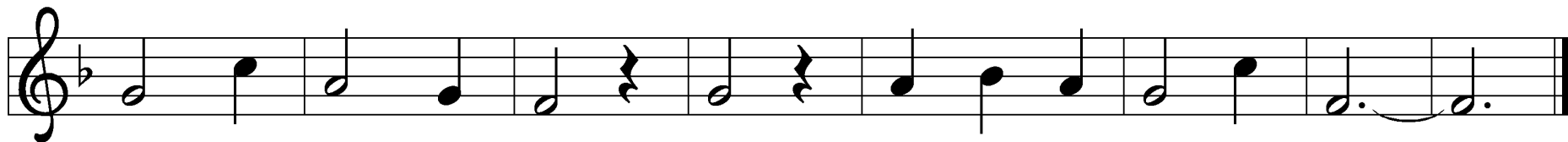


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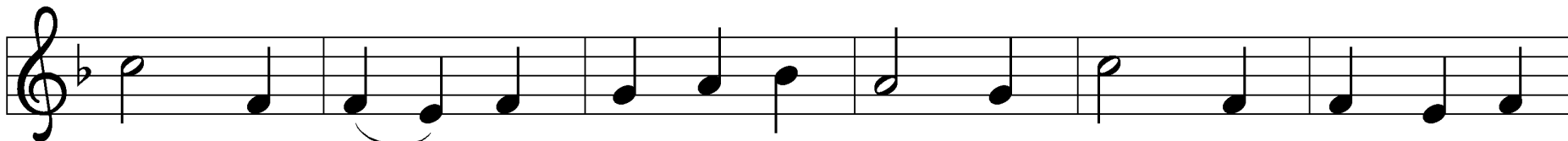


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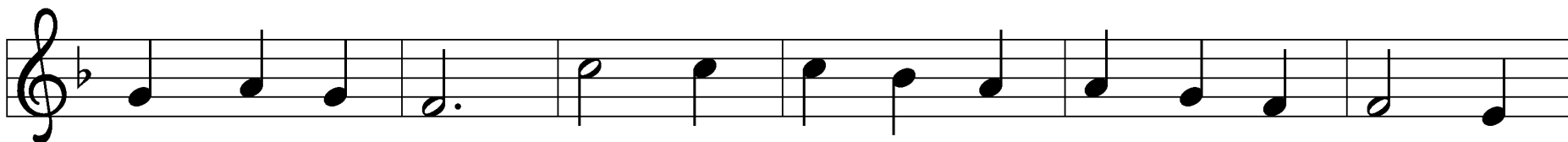


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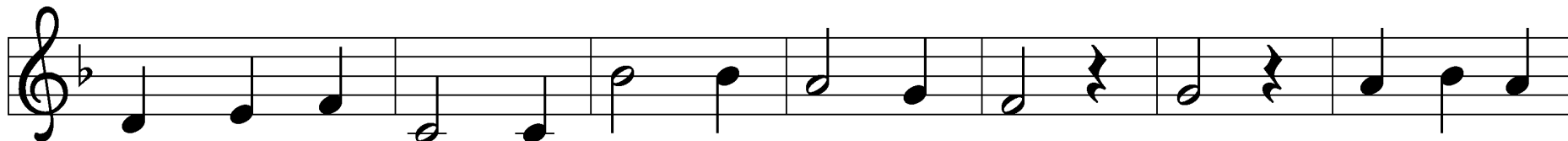


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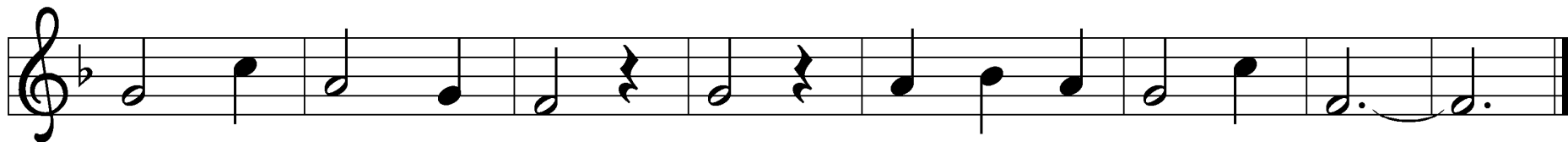


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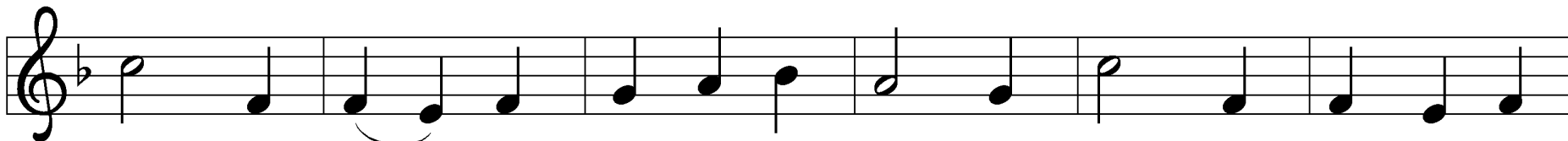


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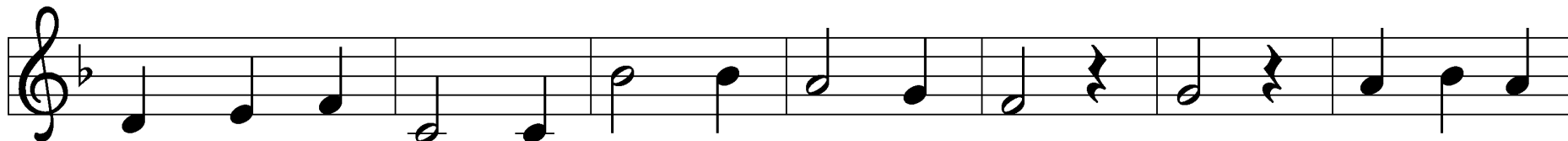


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Children's Conversation



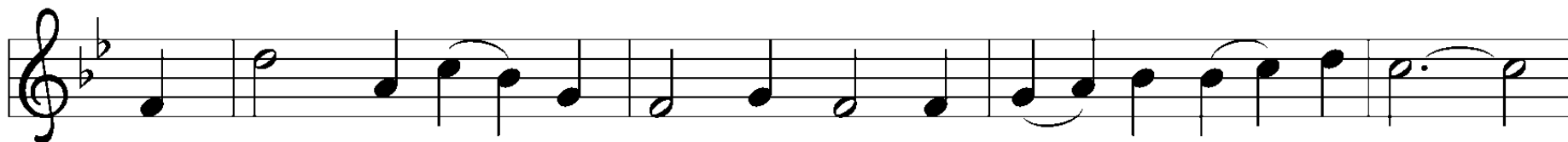
Family - Pastor Brad



The Christmas Story



It Came Upon the Midnight Clear, ELW #282, vs. 1



- ① It came up - on the mid - night clear, that glo - rious song of old,
2 Still through the clo - ven skies they come with peace - ful wings un - furled,
3 And you, be - neath life's crush - ing load, whose forms are bend - ing low,
4 For lo! The days are has - t'ning on, by proph - ets seen of old,



➡ from an - gels bend - ing near the earth to touch their harps of gold:
and still their heav'n - ly mu - sic floats o'er all the wea - ry world.
who toil a - long the climb - ing way with pain - ful steps and slow:
when with the ev - er - cir - cling years shall come the time fore - told,

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It Came Upon the Midnight Clear, ELW #282, vs. 1




→ "Peace on the earth, good will to all, from heav'n's all-gra-cious king."
A - bove its sad and low - ly plains they bend on hov - 'ring wing,
look now, for glad and gold-en hours come swift - ly on the wing;
when peace shall o - ver all the earth its an - cient splen-dors fling,



→ The world in sol - emn still-ness lay to hear the an - gels sing.
and ev - er o'er its ba - bel sounds the bless-ed an - gels sing.
oh, rest be-side the wea - ry road and hear the an - gels sing!
and all the world give back the song which now the an - gels sing.

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 *(Congregation responses in **BOLD**)* 

In those days a decree went out from Emperor
Augustus that all the world should be registered. 
This was the first registration and was taken
while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went
to their own towns to be registered.

To us is born a Savior. 

Jesus Christ, our Lord. 








Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged, and who was expecting a child.

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While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

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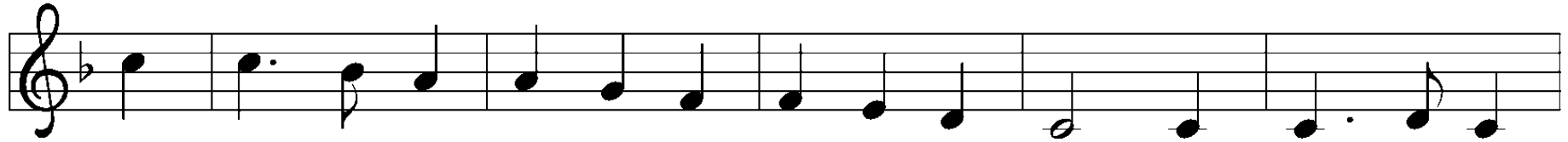
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Away in a Manger, ELW # 277, vs. 1

(During the singing, Mary and Joseph come to the front.)



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
3 Be near me, Lord Je - sus; I ask you to stay close by me for -

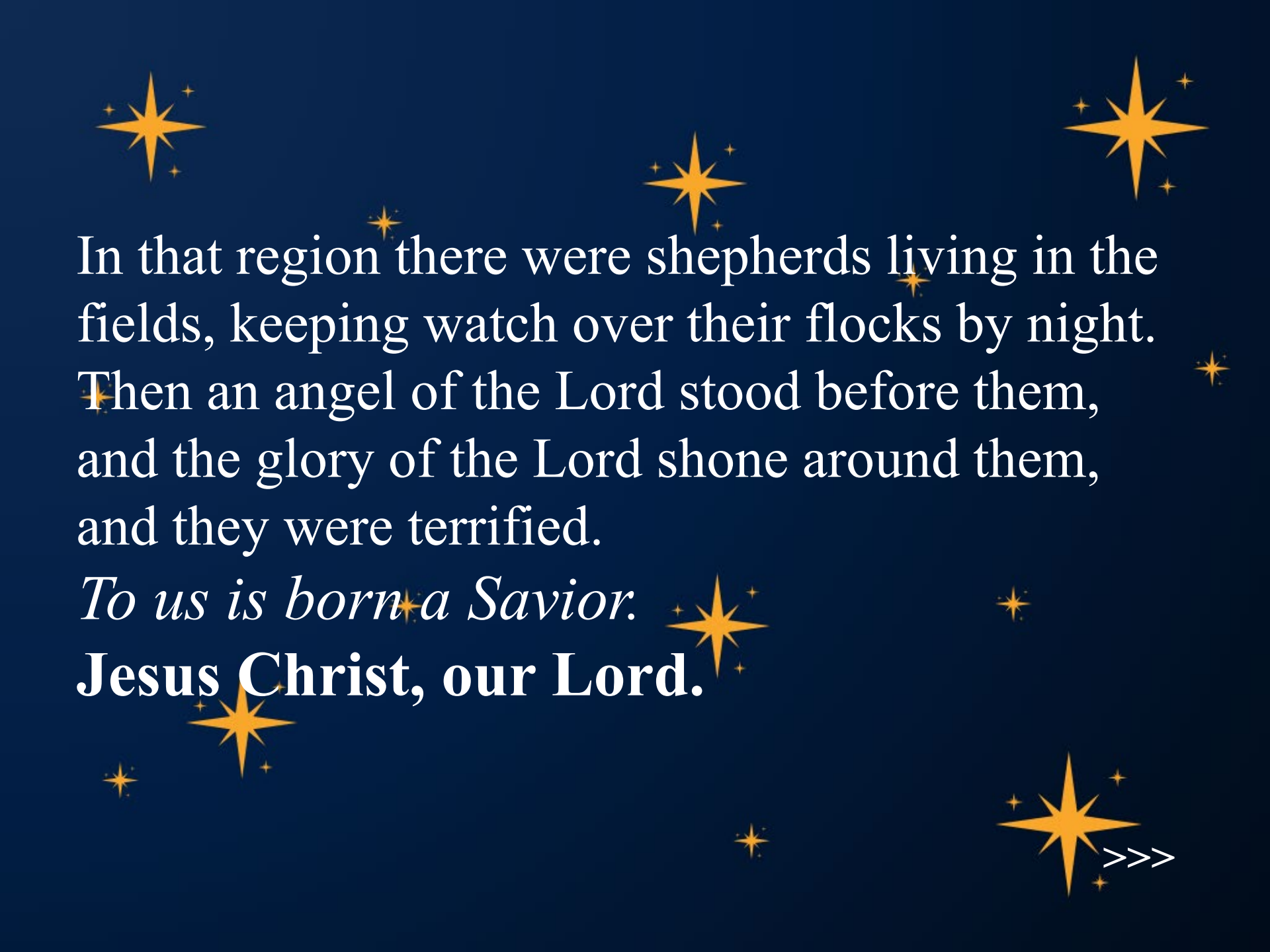


➡ Je - sus laid down his sweet head; the stars in the bright sky looked
Je - sus, no cry - ing he makes. I love you, Lord Je - sus; look
ev - er and love me, I pray. Bless all the dear chil - dren in



➡ 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 night.
your ten - der care and fit us for heav - en, to live with you there.




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In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flocks by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.

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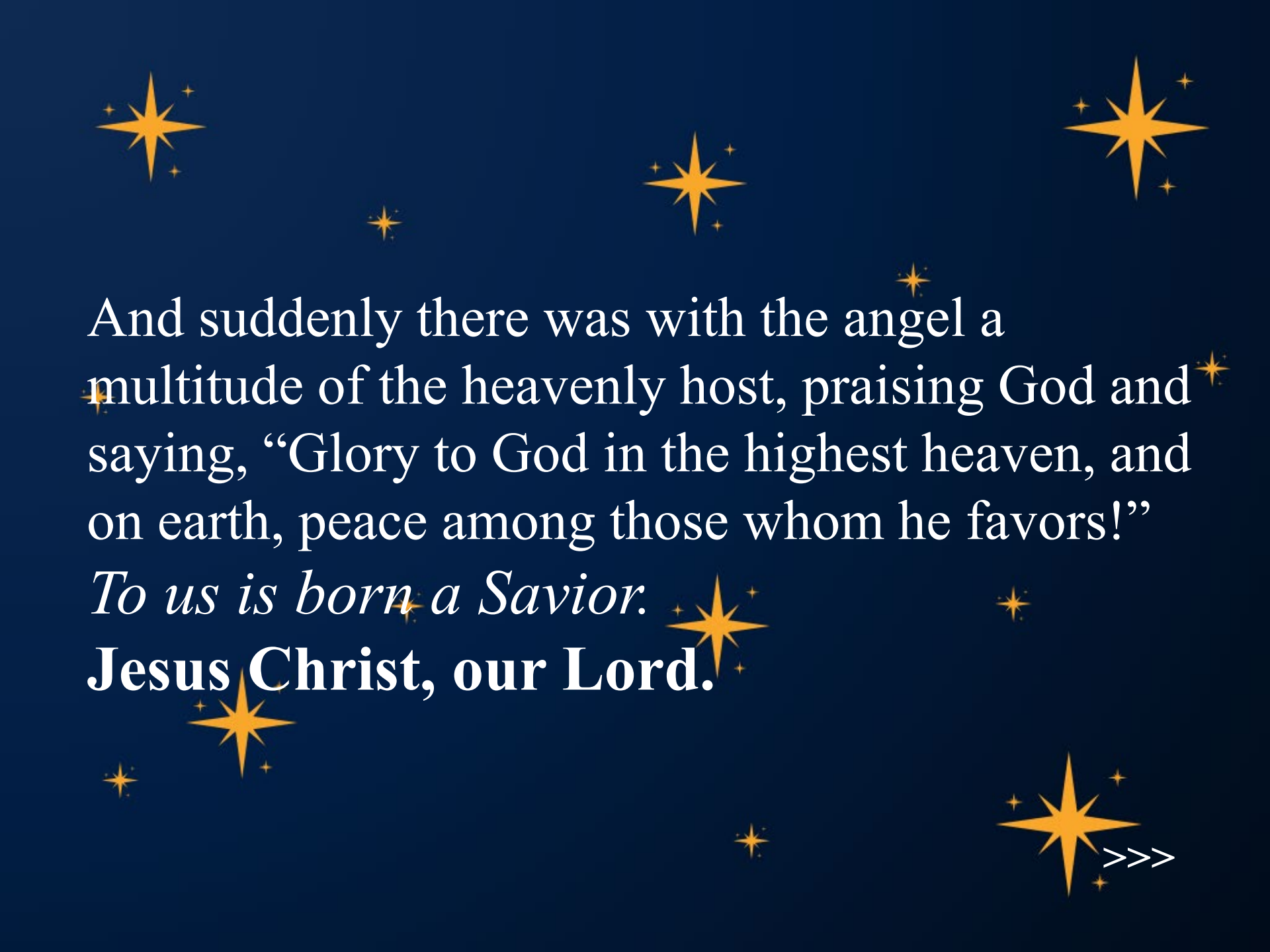


But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for see – I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people. To you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.”



To us is born a Savior.
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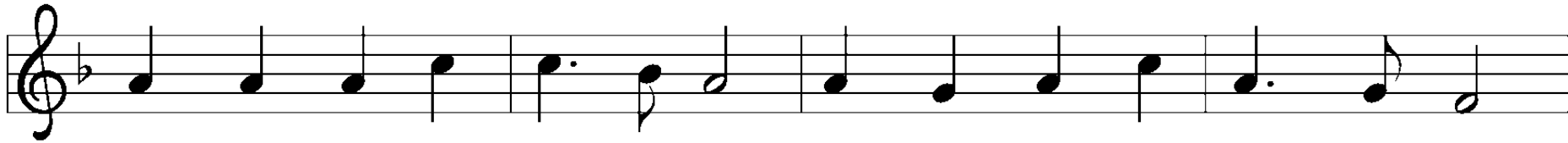


And suddenly there was with the angel a
multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and
saying, “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and
on earth, peace among those whom he favors!”
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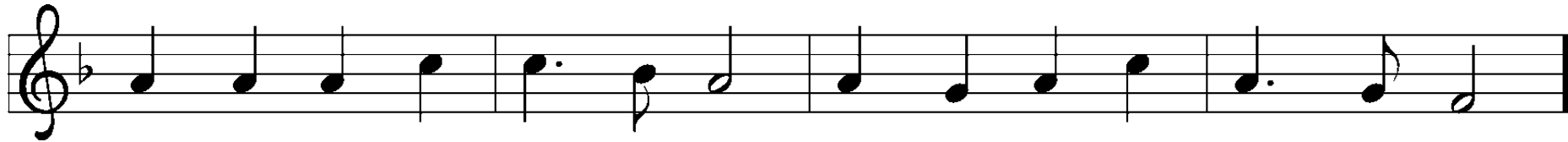
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Angels We Have Heard On High, ELW #289, vs. 1

(During the singing, the angels come to the front.)



① An - gels we have heard on high, sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,
2 Shep-herds, why this ju - bi - 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.

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Refrain

Glo - ri - a

in ex - cel - sis De - o; glo -

- ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.



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When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.” So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph and the child lying in the manger.

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When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them.

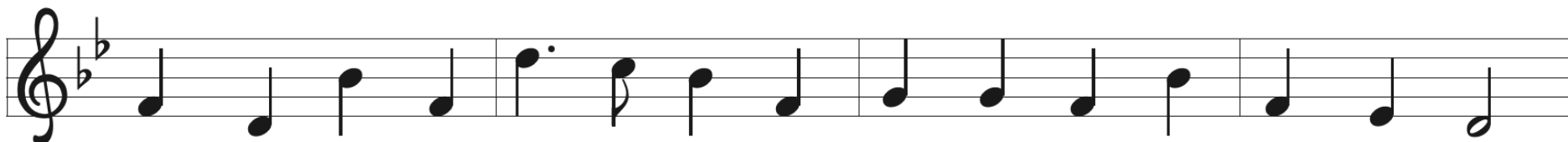
But Mary treasured these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

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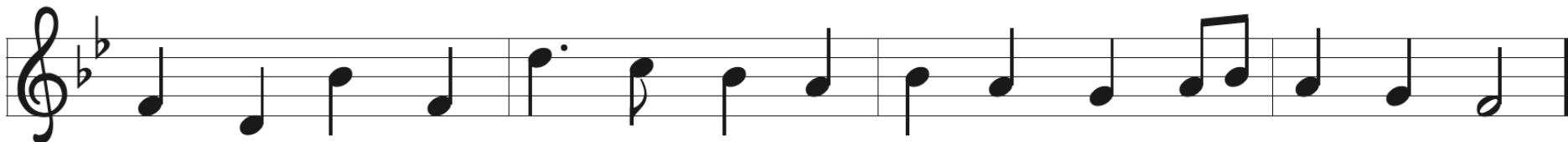


Angels from the Realms of Glory, ELW #275, vs. 2

(During the singing, the shepherds & sheep come forward.)

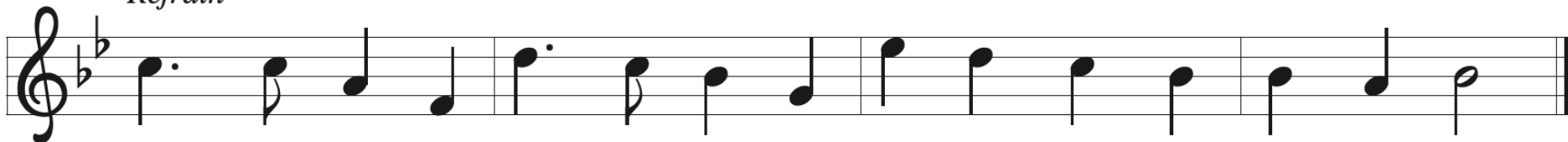


- 1 An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, wing your flight o'er all the earth;
2 Shep-herds, in the fields a - bid - ing, watch-ing o'er your flocks by night,
3 Sa - ges, leave your con - tem-pla - tions, bright-er vi - sions beam a - far;
4 All cre - a - tion, join in prais-ing God, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son,






once you sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry, now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:
➔ God with us is now re - sid - ing, yon - der shines the in - fant light.
seek the great de - sire of na - tions, you have seen his na - tal star.
ev - er - more your voic - es rais - ing to the e - ter - nal Three in One.

Refrain



➔ Come and wor-ship, come and wor-ship, wor-ship Christ, the new-born king.



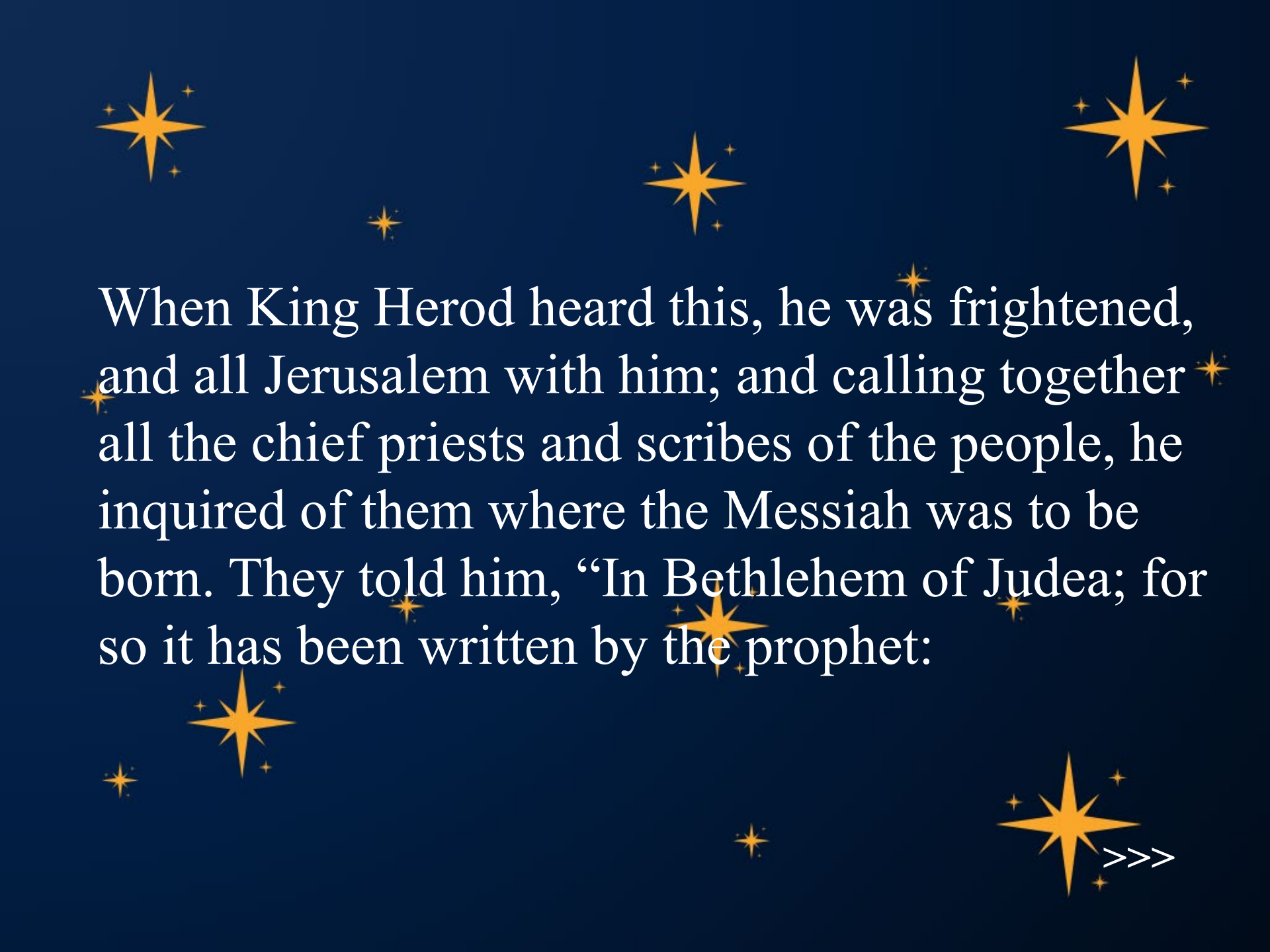
In the time of Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, “Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay homage.

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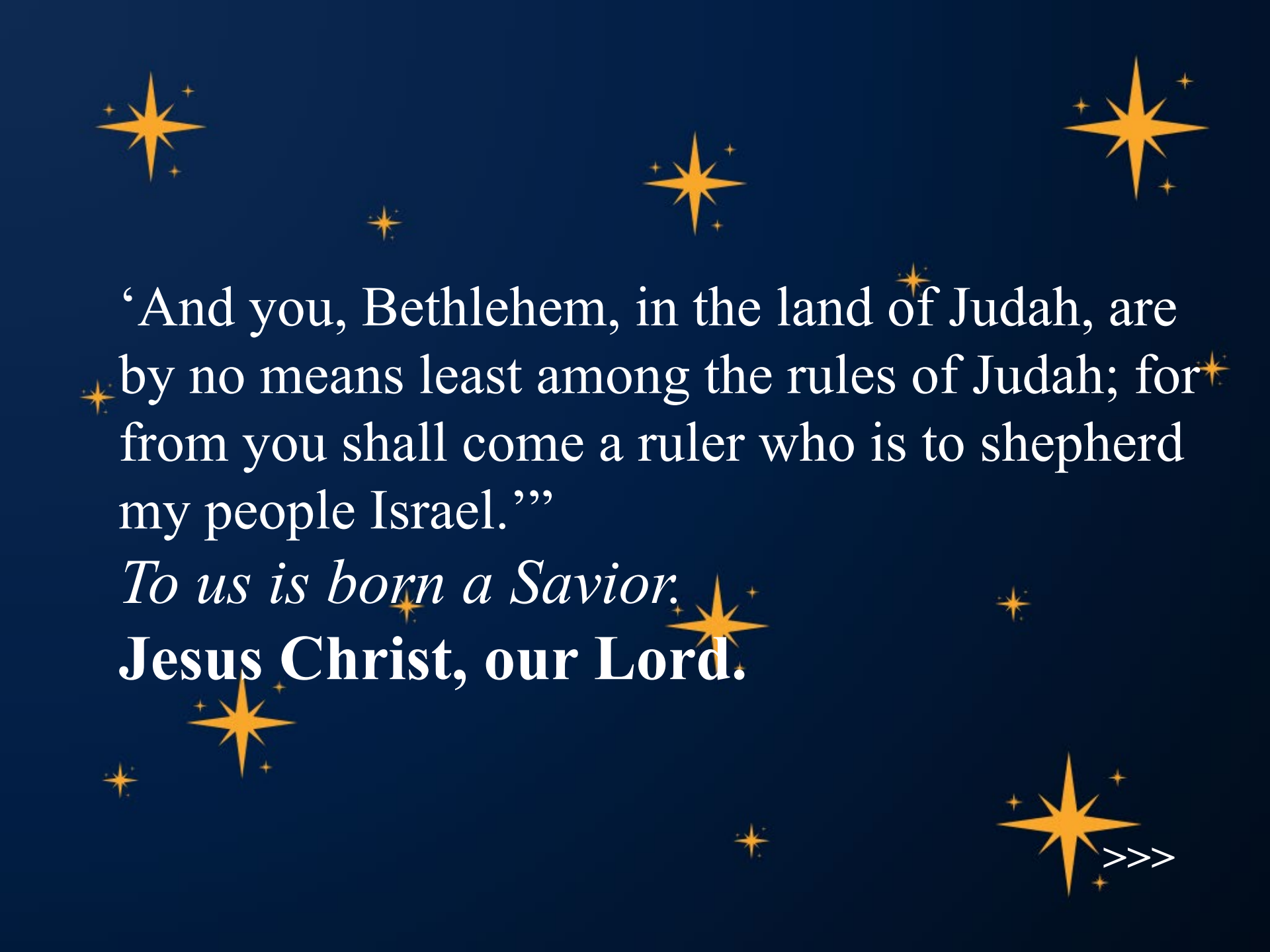


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When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

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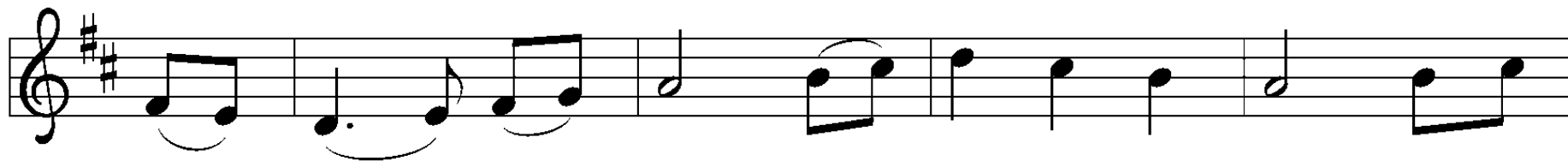


‘And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are
by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for
from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd
my people Israel.’”

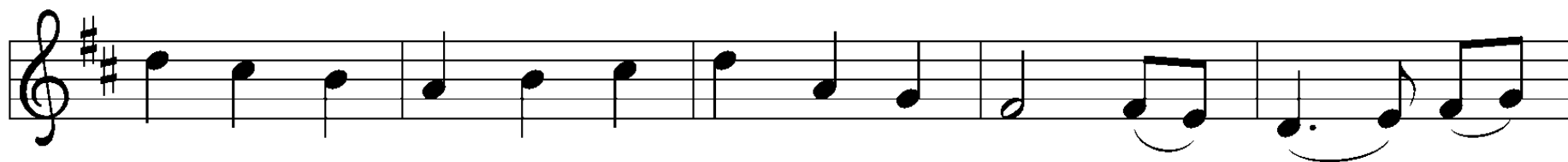
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The First Noel, ELW #300, vs. 5

(During the singing, the wise men come forward.)

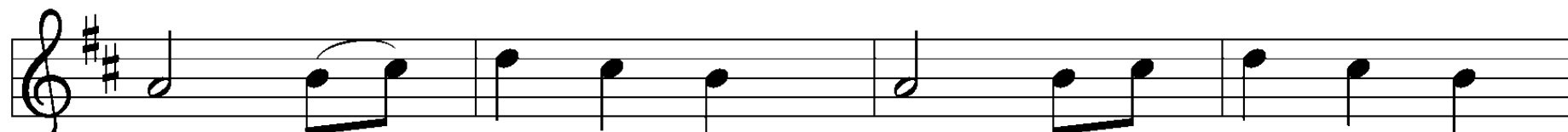


- 1 The first No - el the an - gel did say was to
- 2 They look - ed up and saw . . a star shin - ing
- 3 And by the light of that . . same star three . .
- 4 This star drew near to the . . north - west, o'er . .
- 5 Then en - tered in those wise . . men three, full . .



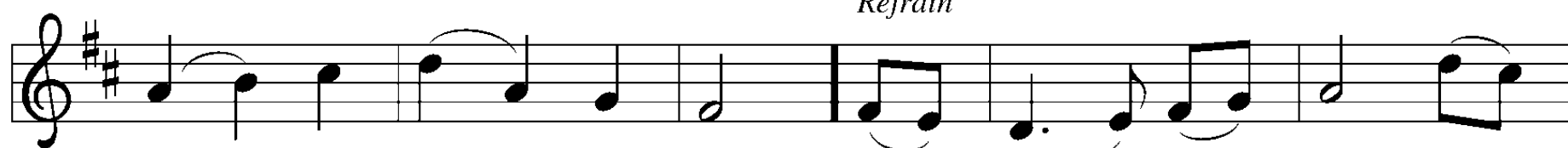
cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay; in fields where
in . . . the east . . be - yond . . them far; and to the
wise . . men came . . from coun - try far; to seek for a
Beth - le - hem . . it took . . its rest; and there it
rev - 'rent - ly . . up - on . . their knee, and of - fered

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they lay, keep - ing their sheep, on a cold win - ter's
 earth it gave . . . great light, and . . so it con -
 king was their . . . in - tent, and to fol - low the
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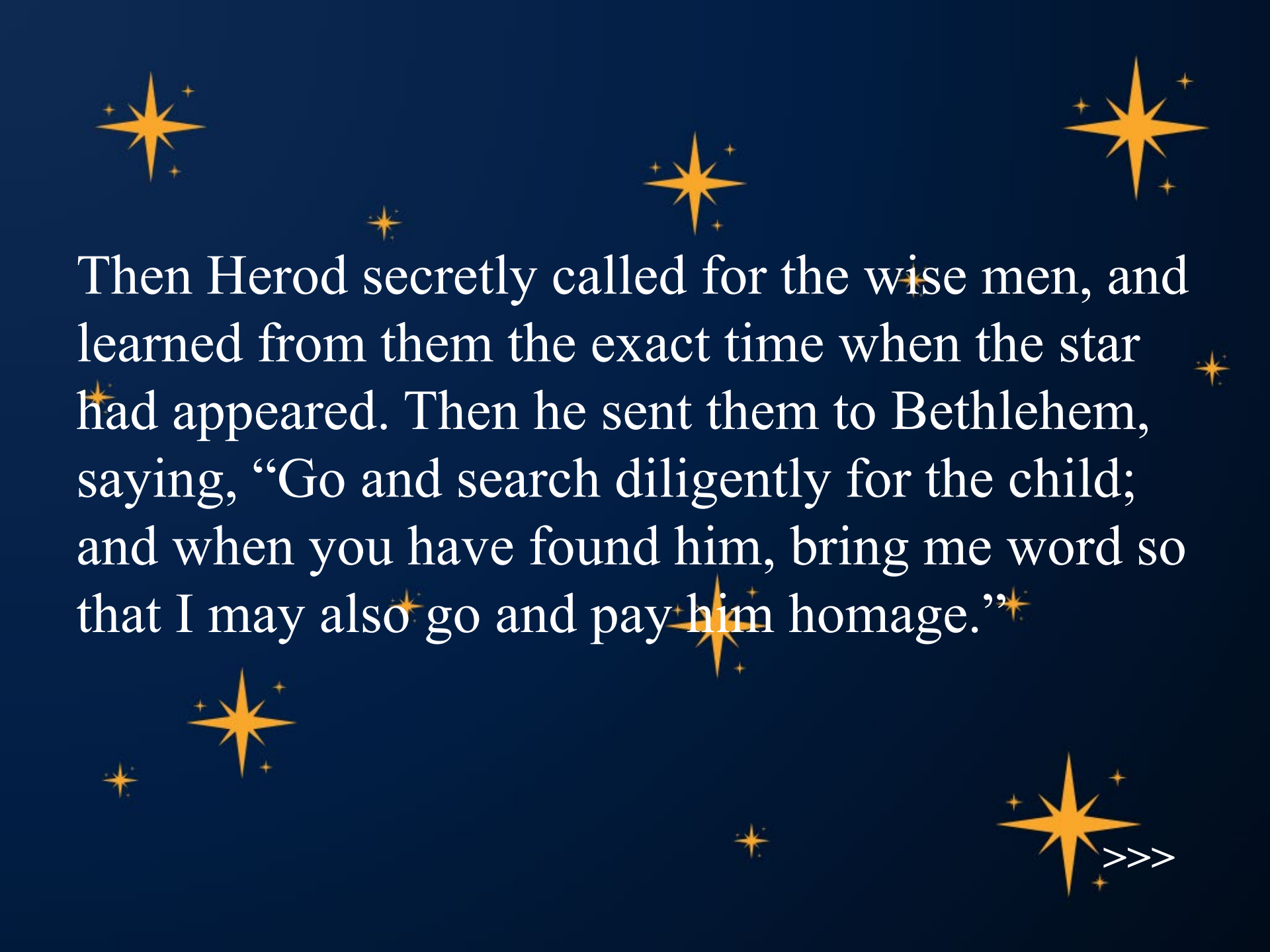
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night that was so deep.
 tin-ued both day and night.
 star wher - ev - er it went. No - el, No - el, No -
 place where Je - sus lay.
 → myrrh, and frank - in - cense.

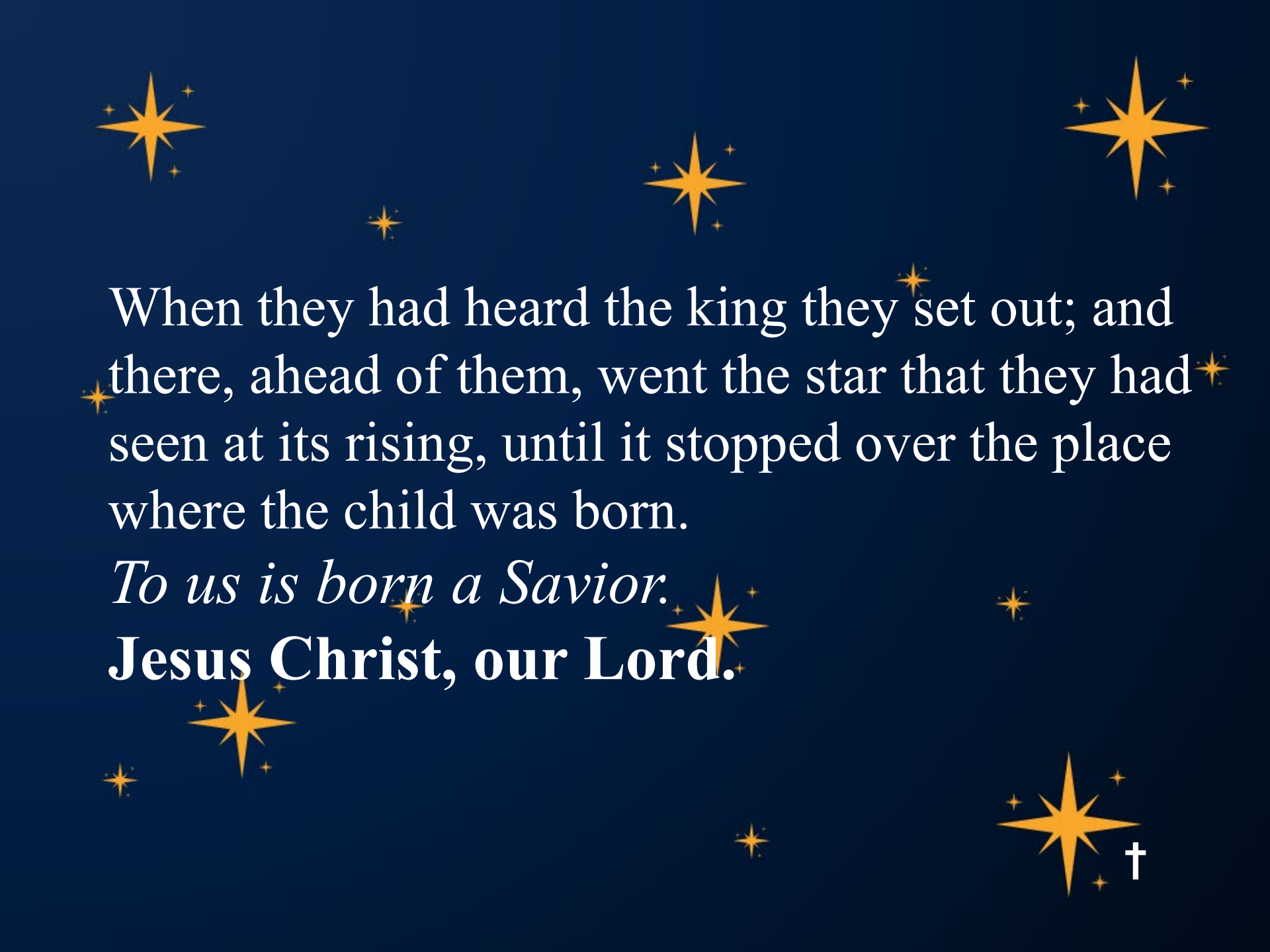


→ el, No - el! Born is the King of Is - ra - el.



Then Herod secretly called for the wise men, and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.”

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When they had heard the king they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was born.

To us is born a Savior.

Jesus Christ, our Lord.



Hymn of the Day

Hark! The Herald
Angels Sing
ELW #270



Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, ELW #270, Verse 1

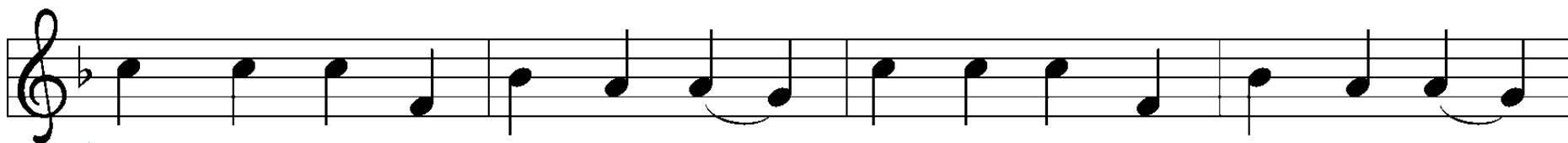


- ① Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born king;
2 Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord,
3 Hail the heav'n-born Prince of peace! Hail the Sun of righ - teous - ness!



→ peace on earth, and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled."
late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of a vir - gin's womb.
Light and life to all he brings, ris'n with heal - ing in his wings.

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, ELW #270, Verse 1



→ Joy - ful, all you na - tions, rise; join the tri - umph of the skies;
Veiled in flesh the God-head see! Hail, in - car - nate de - i - ty!
Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,



→ with an - gel - ic hosts pro - claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"
Pleased as man with us to dwell, Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!
born to raise each child of earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, ELW #270, Refrain



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Refrain

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

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, ELW #270, Verse 2



- 1 Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born king;
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Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, ELW #270, Refrain



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Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, ELW #270, Verse 3



1 Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born king;

2 Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord,

3 Hail the heav'n-born Prince of peace! Hail the Sun of righ - teous - ness!



peace on earth, and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled."

late in time be - hold him come, off-spring of a vir - gin's womb.

➡ Light and life to all he brings, ris'n with heal - ing in his wings.

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, ELW #270, Verse 3



Joy - ful, all you na - tions, rise; join the tri - umph of the skies;
Veiled in flesh the God-head see! Hail, in - car - nate de - i - ty!
→ Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,



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Refrain

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



Prayers of Intercession



A: Empowered by the news of Christ's birth,
let us pray boldly for the church, creation,
and all who are in need.






A brief silence.



After each portion of the prayers:

A: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.



A: With the joy of Christ's birth in our hearts, we commend our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your boundless mercy and eternal love; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

C: Amen.



Presentation of Tithes and Gifts



Anthem

Gesu Bambino

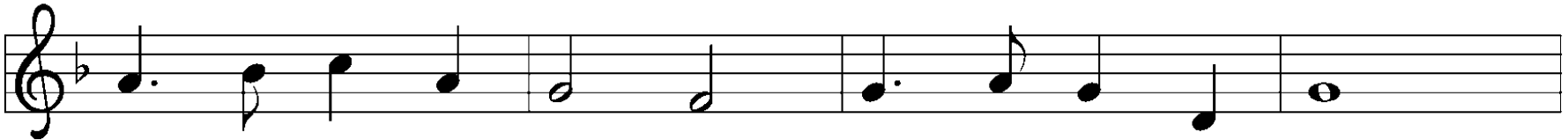
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Grace Miller, soloist



ELW #294, vs. 3

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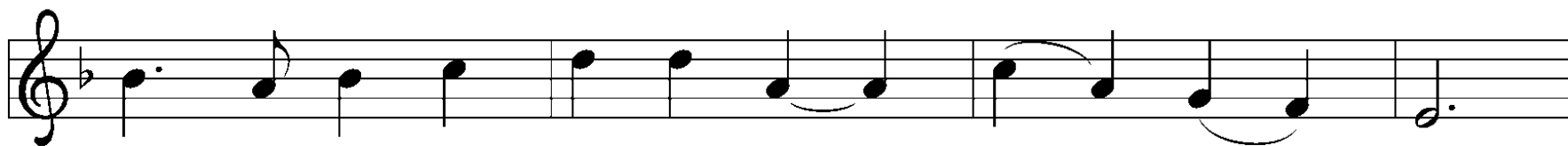
- 1 In the bleak mid - win - ter, frost - y wind made moan,
2 Heav - en can - not hold him, nor . . . earth sus - tain;
3 What . . . can I give him, poor . . . as I am?



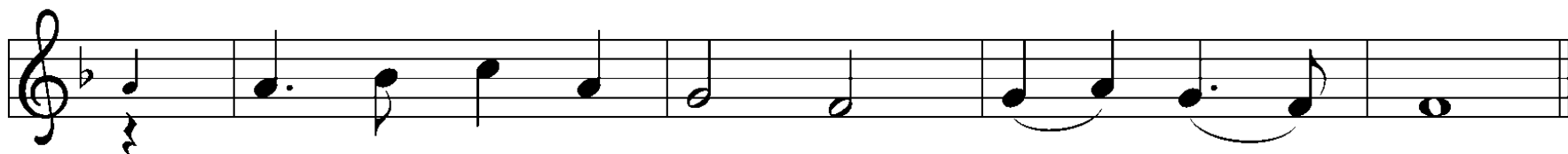
earth stood hard as i - ron, wa - ter like a stone;
 heav'n and earth shall flee a - way when he comes to reign;
 If I were a shep - herd I would bring a lamb;

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ELW #294, vs. 3



snow had fall - en, snow on snow, snow on snow,
in the bleak mid - win - ter a sta - ble place suf - ficed
if I were a wise . . . man I would do my part;




in the bleak mid - win - ter, long a - go.
the Lord . . . God al - might - y, Je - sus Christ.
yet what I can I give him— give my heart.



Offering Prayer



P: God of glory, great are your wonders among us and many are the blessings you bestow. Use us and these your gifts for the needs of the world, that all the ends of the earth may rejoice in your saving grace, through Christ our Savior.



C: Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord
our God.

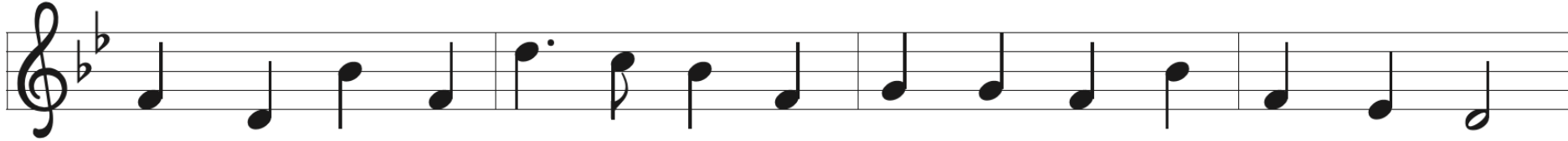
**C: It is right to give our thanks
and praise.**

Preface



Holy Holy

ELW #275, vs. 4

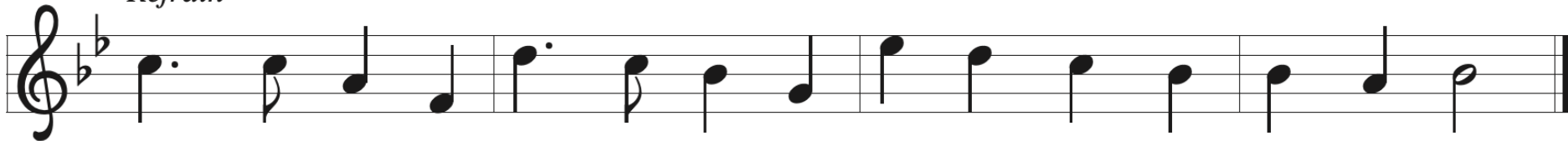


- 1 An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, wing your flight o'er all the earth;
- 2 Shep-herds, in the fields a - bid - ing, watch-ing o'er your flocks by night,
- 3 Sa - ges, leave your con - tem-pla - tions, bright-er vi - sions beam a - far;
- 4 All cre - a - tion, join in prais-ing God, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son,



once you sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry, now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:
God with us is now re - sid - ing, yon - der shines the in - fant light.
seek the great de - sire of na - tions, you have seen his na - tal star.
➔ ev - er - more your voic - es rais - ing to the e - ter - nal Three in One.

Refrain





➔ Come and wor-ship, come and wor-ship, wor-ship Christ, the new-born king.

Words of Institution





The Lord's Prayer



Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.



For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Communion

Today communion will be served with bread and cup. Come down the center aisle and receive the bread; then take a cup of wine or grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are available. Children not receiving communion are encouraged to come forward for a blessing.

**All are welcome,
for it is the Lord's Table.**



Lamb of God

ELW #271, vs. 1



Jeg er så glad hver ju - le - kveld, ti da blev Je - sus født;

- 1 I am so glad each Christ-mas Eve, the night of Je - sus' birth!
- 2 The lit - tle child in Beth - le - hem, he was a king in - deed!
- 3 He dwells a - gain in heav - en's realm, the Son of God to - day;
- 4 I am so glad each Christ-mas Eve! His prais - es then I sing;
- 5 And so I love each Christ-mas Eve, and I love Je - sus too;



da lys - te stjer - nen som en sol, og eng - ler sang så sødt.

➡ Then like the sun the star shone forth, and an - gels sang on earth.
For he came down from heav'n a - bove to help a world in need.

and still he loves his lit - tle ones and hears them when they pray.
he o - pens now for ev - 'ry child the pal - ace of the king.
and that he loves me ev - 'ry day I know so well is true.

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ELW #271, vs. 2



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ELW #271, vs. 3



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ELW #271, vs. 4



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and that he loves me ev - 'ry day I know so well is true.

ELW #271, vs. 5



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Communion Hymn

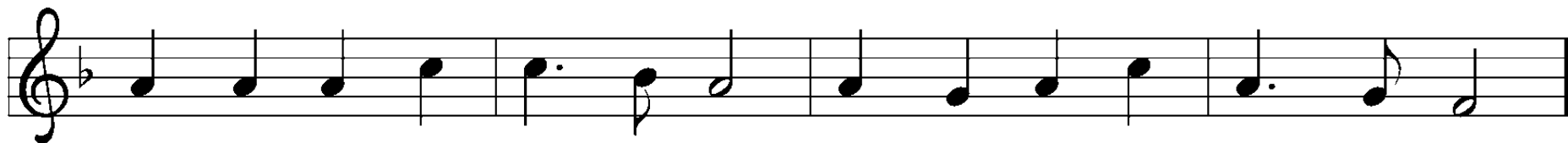
Angels We Have
Heard on High
ELW #289



Angels We Have Heard On High, ELW #289, vs. 1

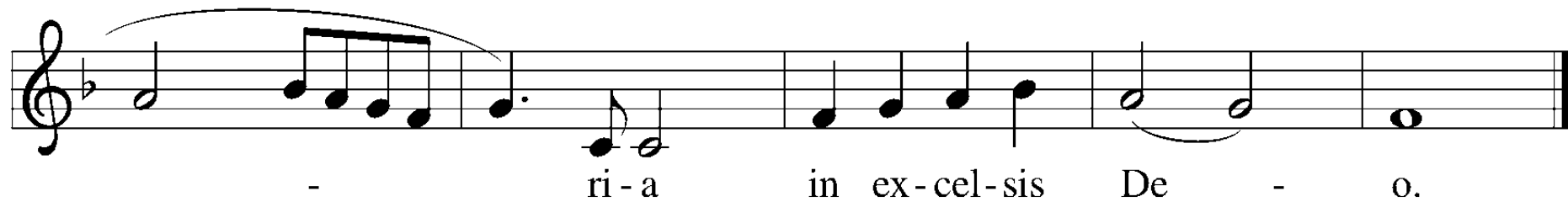
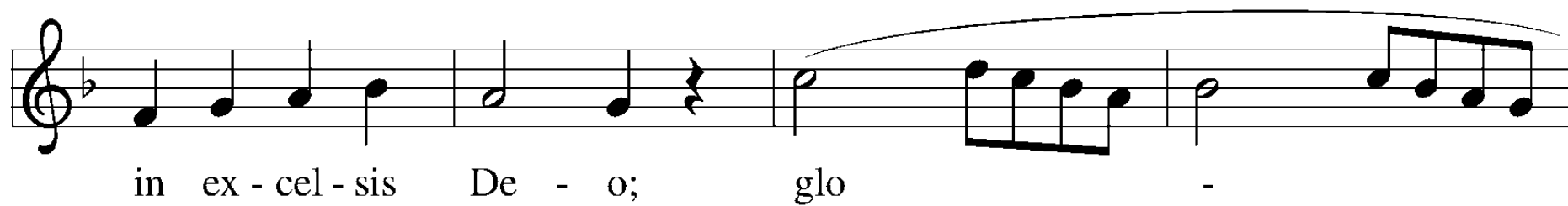


- ① An - gels we have heard on high, sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,
2 Shep-herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?
3 Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;



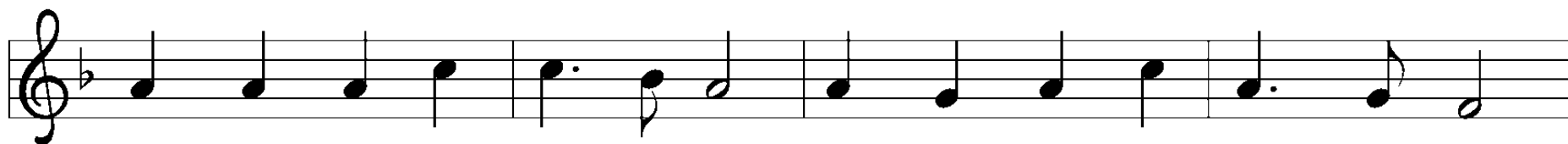
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come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ the Lord, the new - born king.

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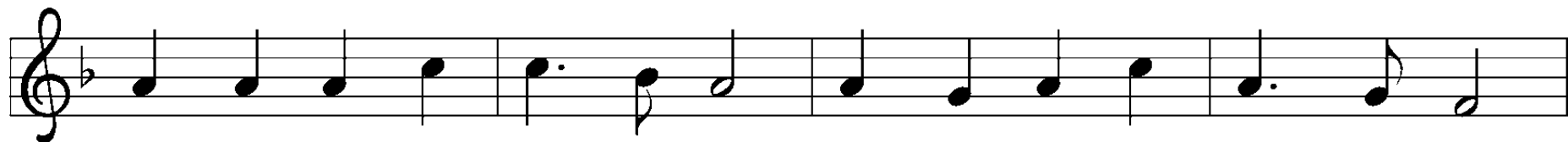


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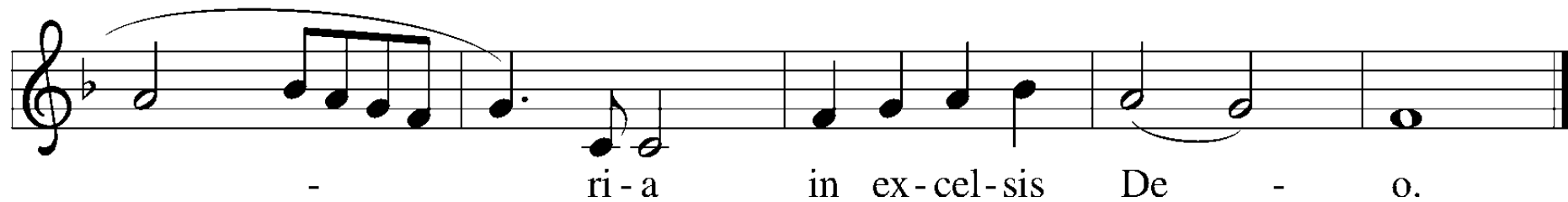
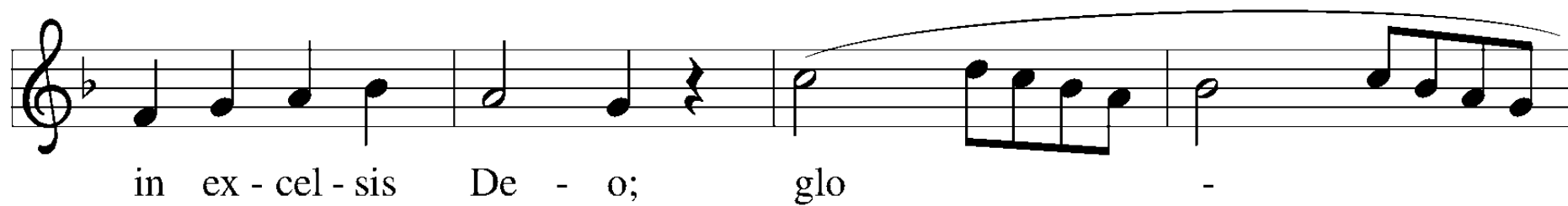
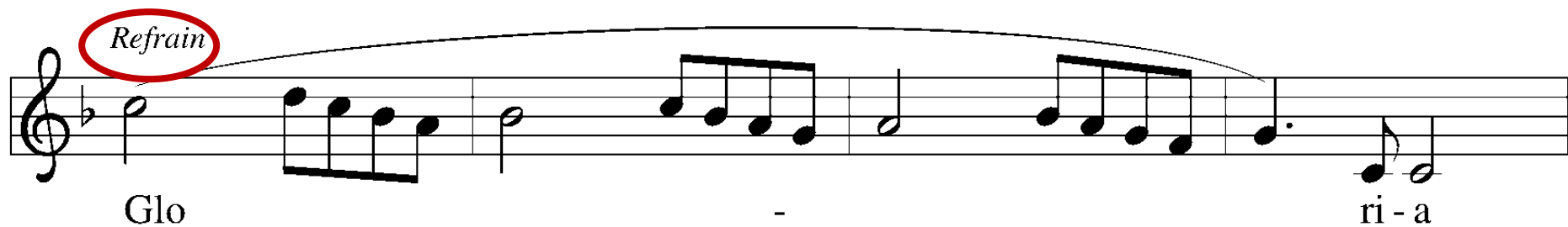


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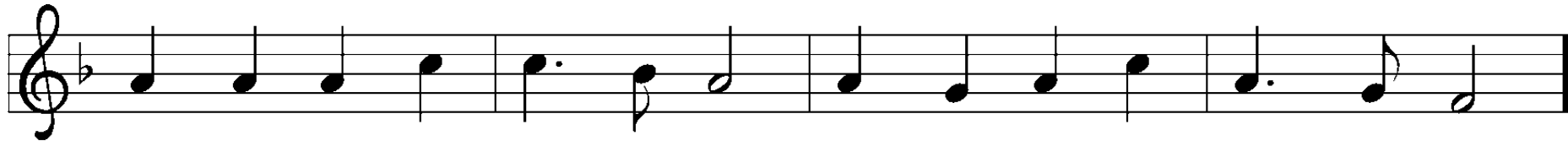


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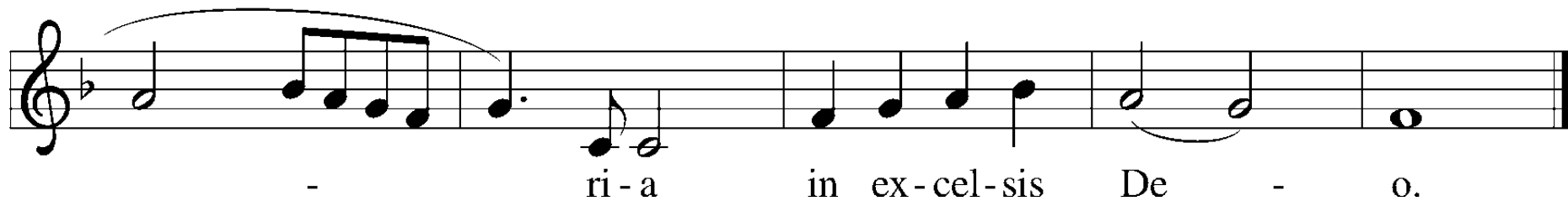
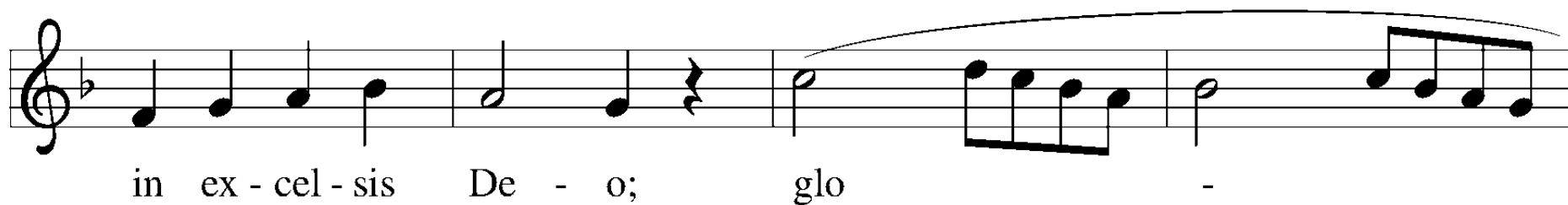
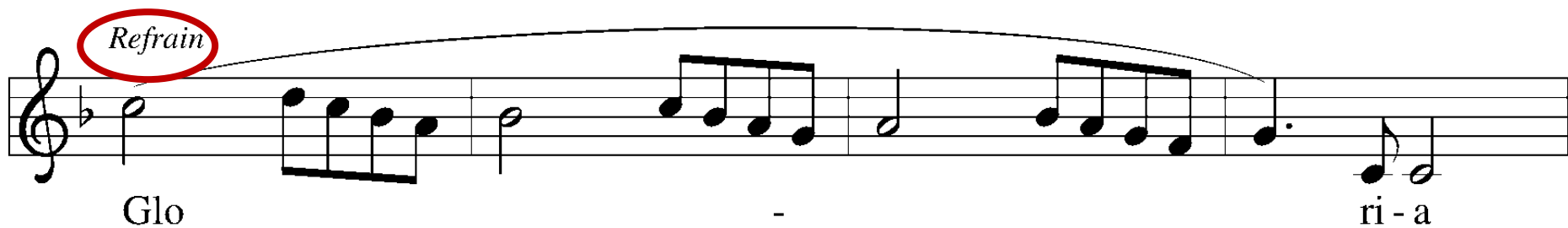


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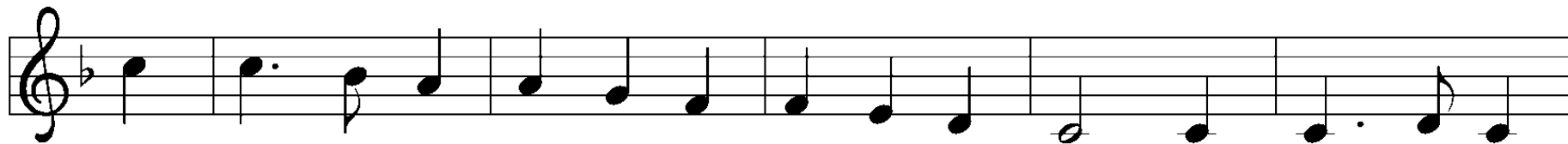
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Communion Hymn

Away in a
Manger
ELW #277



Away in a Manger, ELW # 277, vs. 1



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
3 Be near me, Lord Je - sus; I ask you to stay close by me for -

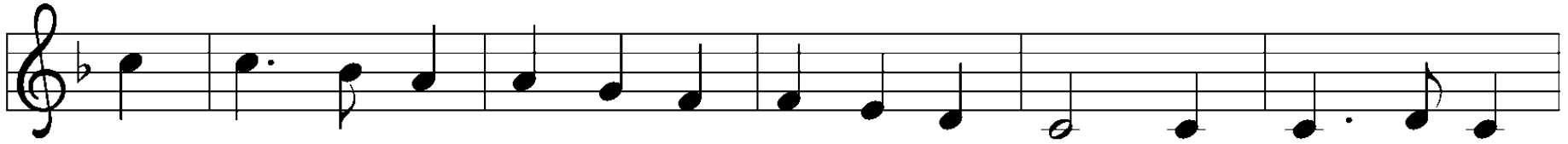


➡ Je - sus laid down his sweet head; the stars in the bright sky looked
Je - sus, no cry - ing he makes. I love you, Lord Je - sus; look
ev - er and love me, I pray. Bless all the dear chil - dren in

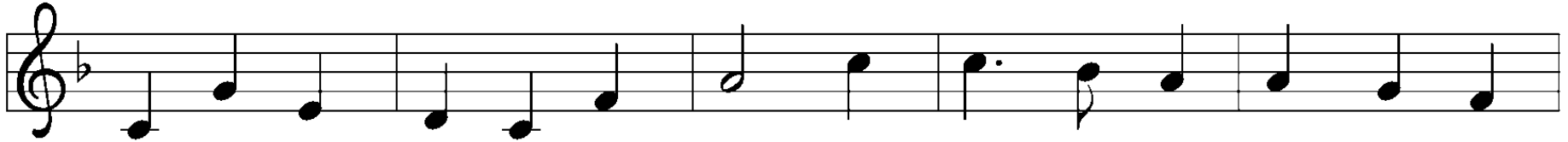


➡ down where he lay, the lit - tle Lord Je - sus a - sleep on the hay.
down from the sky and stay by my cra - dle till morn - ing is night.
your ten - der care and fit us for heav - en, to live with you there.

Away in a Manger, ELW # 277, vs. 2



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
3 Be near me, Lord Je - sus; I ask you to stay close by me for -

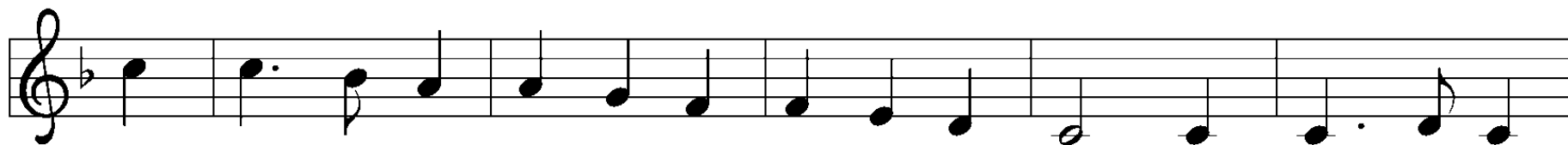


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Communion Hymn

O Little Town of
Bethlehem
ELW #279



O Little Town of Bethlehem, ELW #279, vs. 1

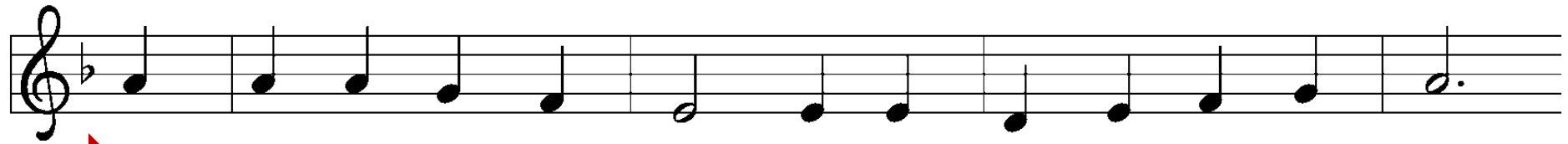


→ O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie!
For Christ is born of Mar - y, and, gath - ered all a - bove
How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly the won - drous gift is giv'n!
O ho - ly child of Beth - le - hem, de - scend to us, we pray;



→ 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 - d'ring love.
So God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bless - ings of his heav'n.
cast out our sin, and en - ter in, be born in us to - day.

O Little Town of Bethlehem, ELW #279, vs. 1



→ 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,
No ear may hear his com - ing; but, in this world of sin,
We hear the Christ-mas an - gels the great glad tid - ings tell;



→ 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 all the earth!
where meek souls will re - ceive him, still the dear Christ en - ters in.
oh, come to us, a - bide with us, our Lord Im - man - u - el!

O Little Town of Bethlehem, ELW #279, vs. 2

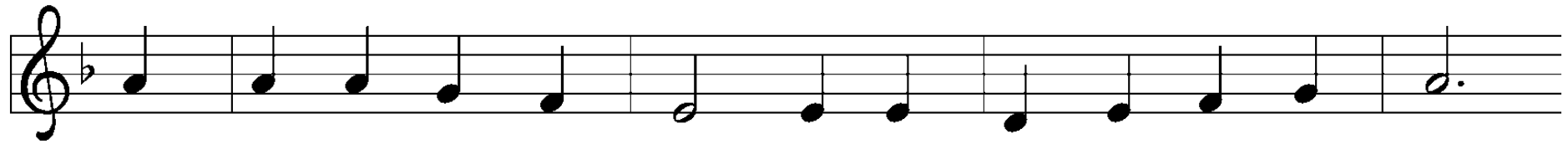



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O Little Town of Bethlehem, ELW #279, vs. 2




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 We hear the Christ-mas an - gels the great glad tid - ings tell;



→ The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.
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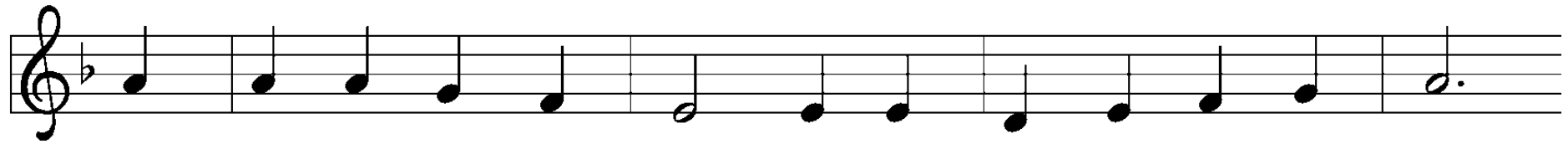



O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie!
For Christ is born of Mar - y, and, gath - ered all a - bove
→ How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly the won - drous gift is giv'n!
O ho - ly child of Beth - le - hem, de - scend to us, we pray;



A - bove thy deep and dream-less sleep the si - lent stars go by;
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O Little Town of Bethlehem, ELW #279, vs. 4



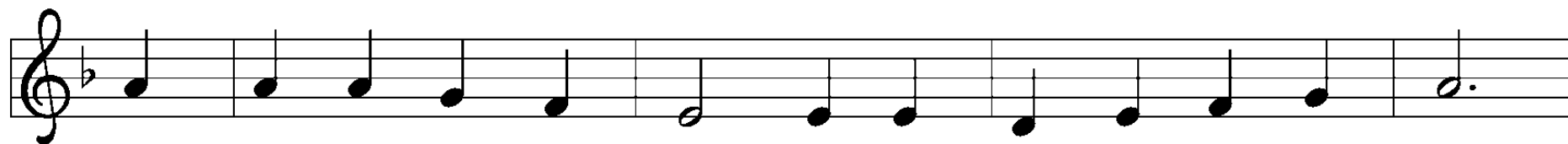
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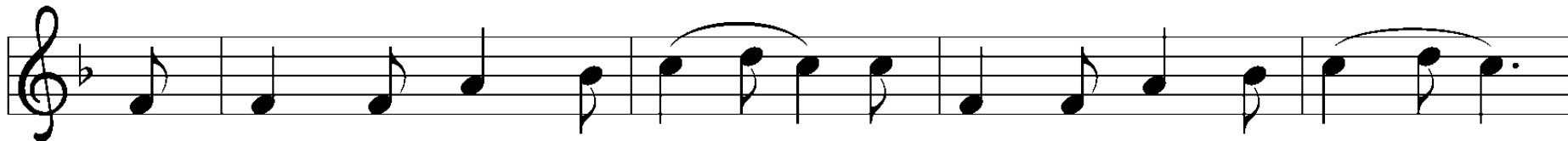


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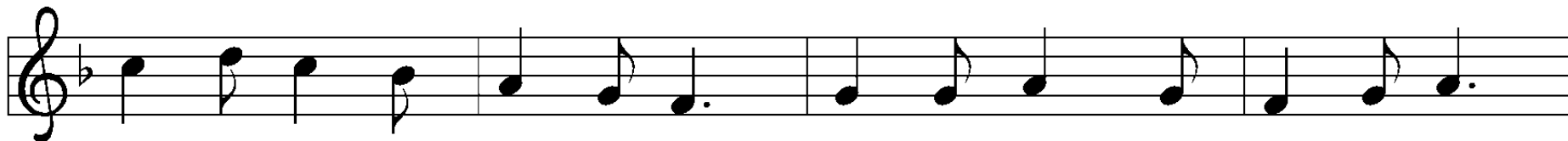
Good Christian
Friends Rejoice
ELW #288



Good Christian Friends, ELW #288, Verse 1



- ① Good Chris - tian friends, re - jice with heart and soul and voice;
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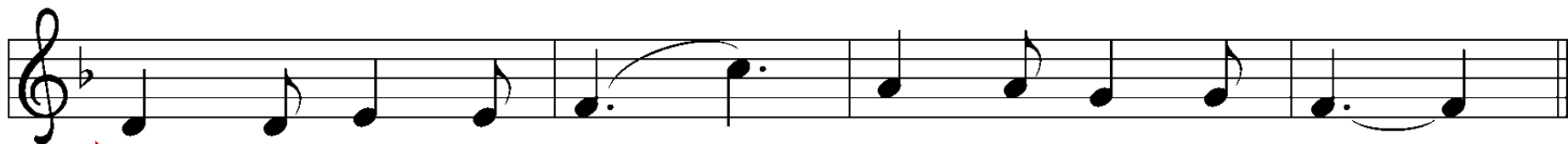


➡ give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day;
now ye hear of end - less bliss: Je - sus Christ was born for this!
now ye need not fear the grave; Je - sus Christ was born to save!

Good Christian Friends, ELW #288, Verse 1



ox and ass be - fore him bow, and he is in the man-ger now.
He has o - pened heav-en's door, and we are blest for - ev - er - more.
Calls you one and calls you all to gain the ev - er - last - ing hall.



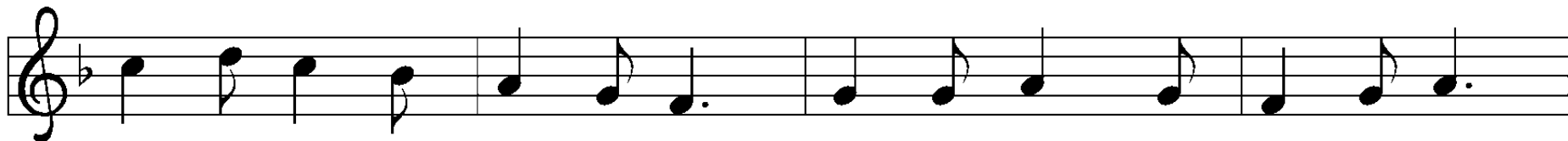
Christ is born to - day!
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Good Christian Friends, ELW #288, Verse 2



- 1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - jice with heart and soul and voice;
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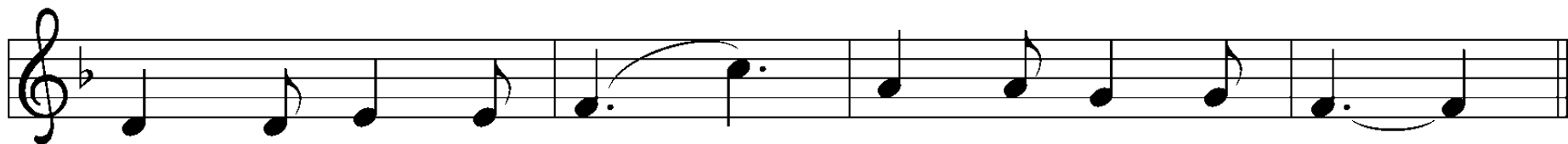


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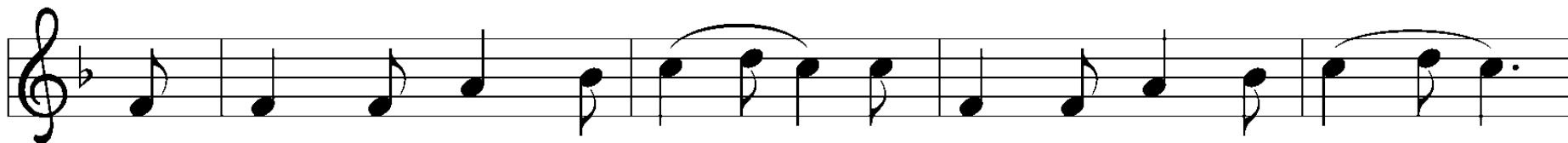
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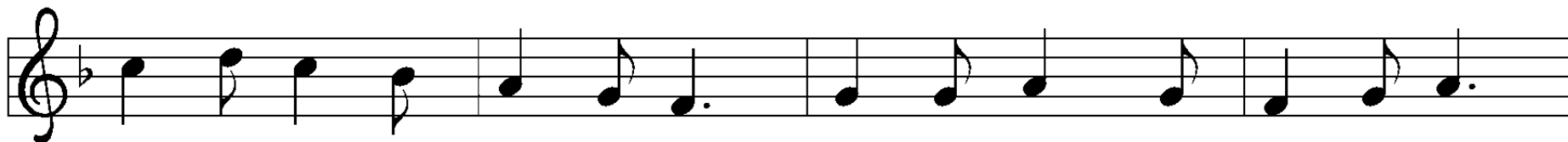
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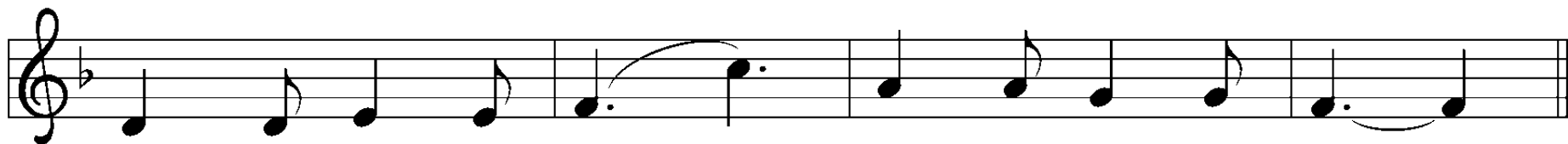
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Communion Hymn

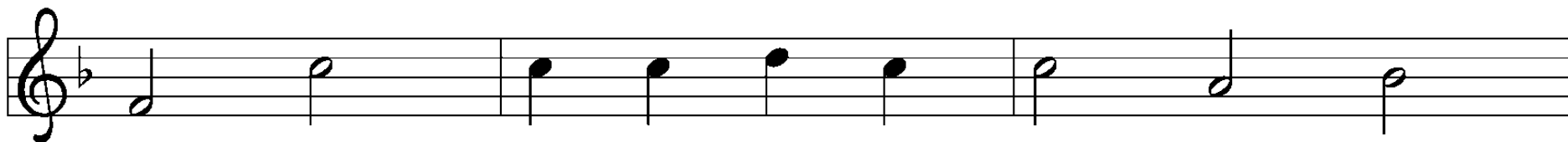
Lo, How a Rose
E'er Blooming
ELW #272



Lo, How a Rose, ELW #272, Verse 1



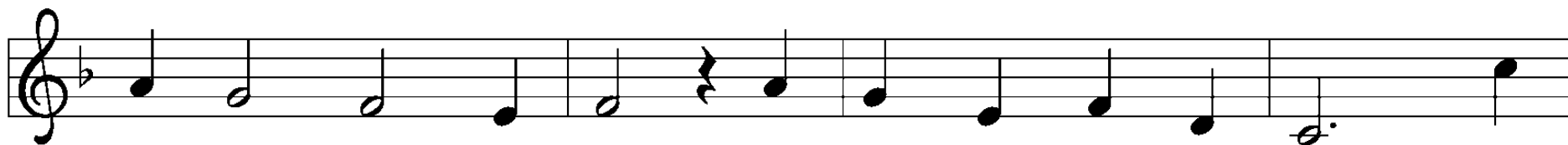
1 Lo, how a rose e'er bloom - ing from ten - der stem hath
2 I - sai - ah had fore - told it, the rose I have in
3 This flow'r, whose fra - grance ten - der with sweet-ness fills the
4 O Sav - ior, child of Mar - y, who felt our hu - man



→ sprung! Of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing as
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Lo, How a Rose, ELW #272, Verse 1



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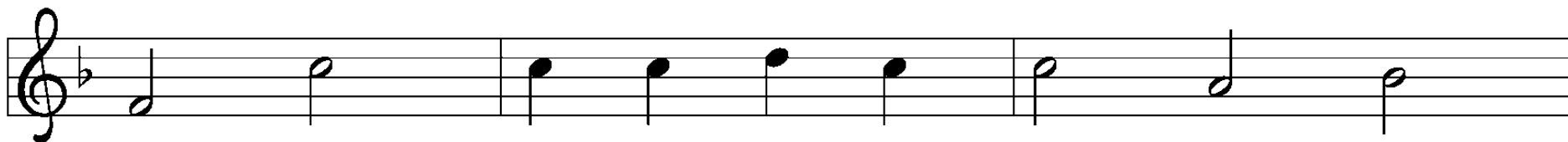
mid the cold of win - ter, when half - spent was the night.
bore to us a Sav - ior, when half - spent was the night.
sin and death he saves us and light - ens ev - 'ry load.
the bright courts of heav - en and in - to end - less day.

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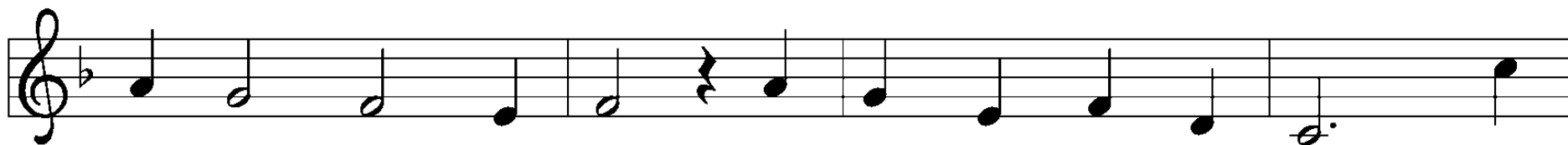
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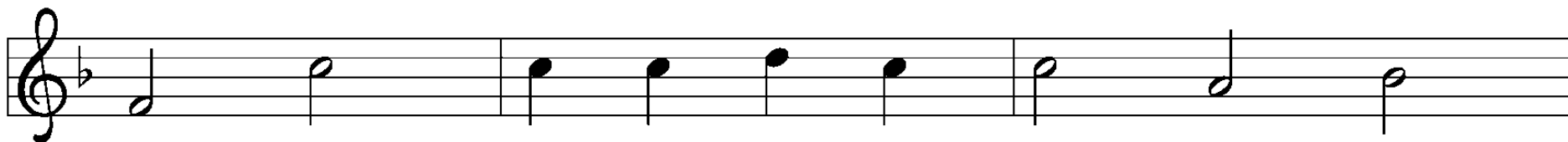
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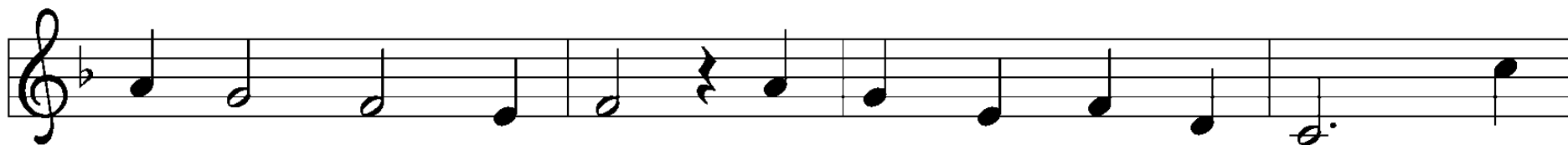
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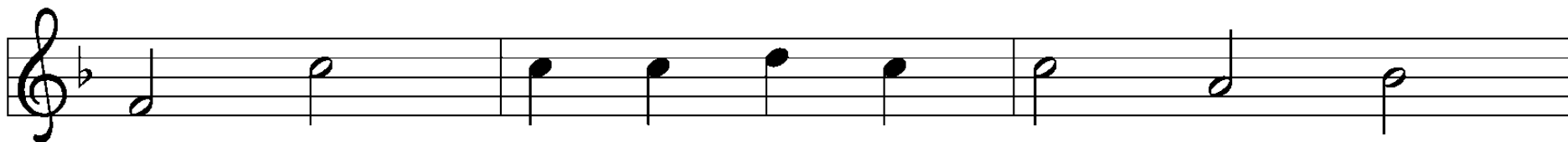
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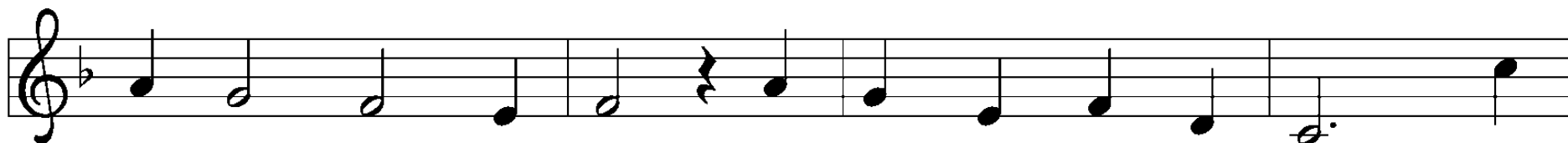


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Communion Hymn

On Christmas
Night

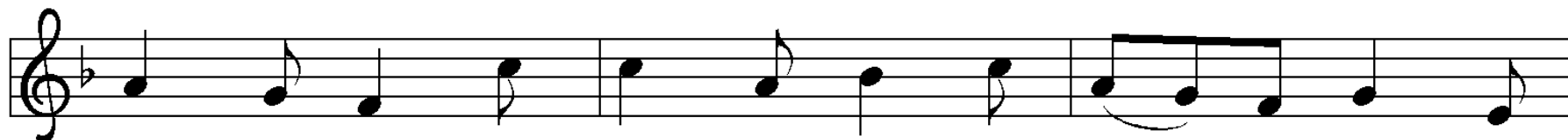
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On Christmas Night, ELW #274, Verse 1



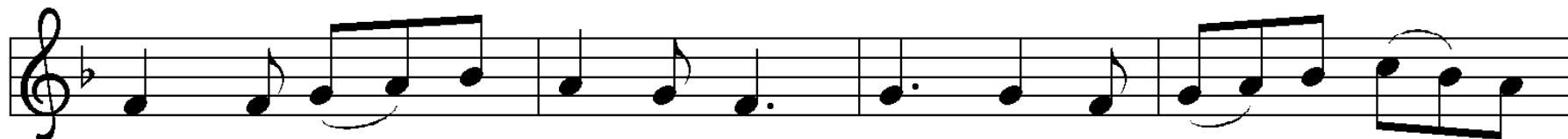
1 On Christ-mas night all Chris-tians sing to hear the news the
2 Then why should we on earth be sad, since our re-deem-er
3 When sin de-parts be-fore his face, then life and health come
4 All out of dark-ness we have light, which made the an-gels



➡ an-gels bring. On Christ-mas night all Chris-tians sing to
made us glad? Then why should we on earth be sad, since
in its place. When sin de-parts be-fore his face, then
sing this night. All out of dark-ness we have light, which

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On Christmas Night, ELW #274, Verse 1



→ hear the news the an - gels bring: news of great joy, news of great
our re - deem - er made us glad, when from our sin he set us
life and health come in its place. An - gels re - joice with us and
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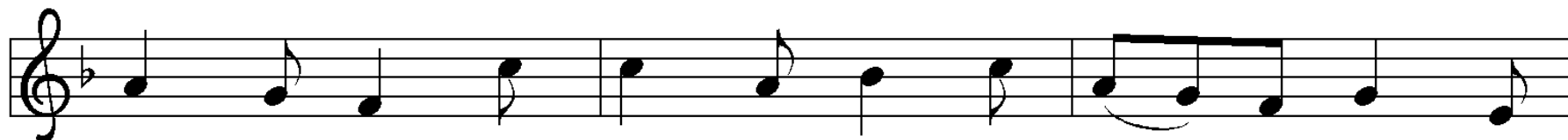
→ mirth, news of our mer - ci - ful king's birth.
free, all for to gain our lib - er - ty?
sing, all for to see the new - born king.
heav'n; peace on earth, and good - will. A - men."

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On Christmas Night, ELW #274, Verse 2



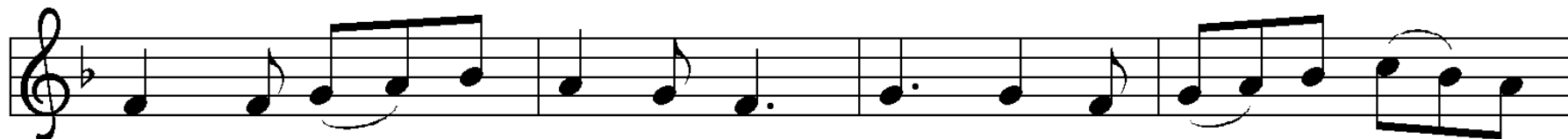
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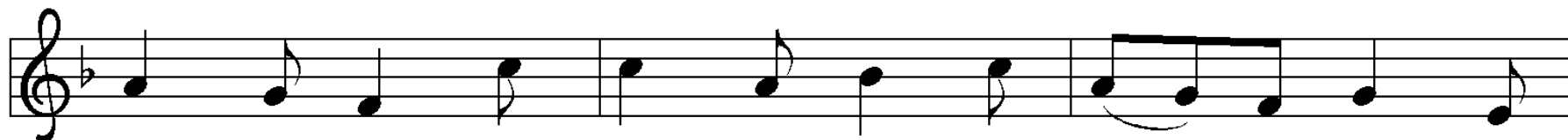
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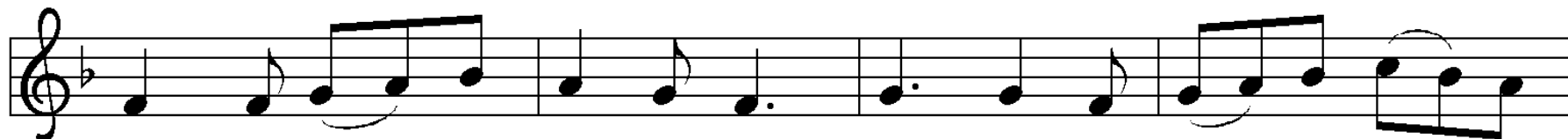


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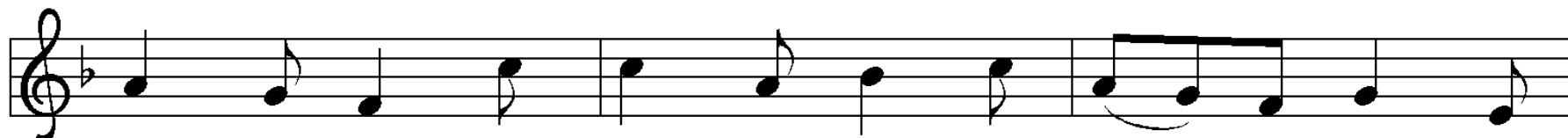
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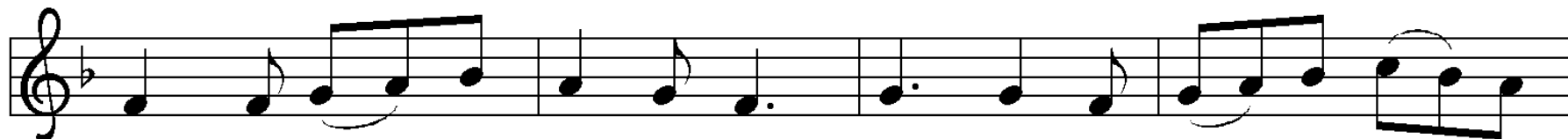


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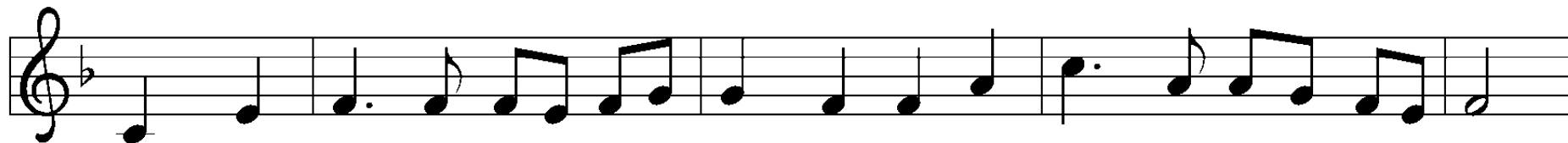
Once in Royal
David's City
ELW #269



Once in Royal David's City, ELW #269, Verse 1



- 1 Once in roy - al Da - vid's cit - y stood a low - ly cat - tle shed,
2 He came down to earth from heav - en who is God and Lord of all,
3 And our eyes at last shall see him, through his own re - deem - ing love;
4 Not in that poor low - ly sta - ble, with the ox - en stand - ing by,



→ where a moth - er laid her ba - by in a man - ger for his bed:
and his shel - ter was a sta - ble, and his cra - dle was a stall;
for that child so dear and gen - tle is our Lord in heav'n a - bove;
we shall see him; but in heav - en, set at God's right hand on high;

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Once in Royal David's City, ELW #269, Verse 1



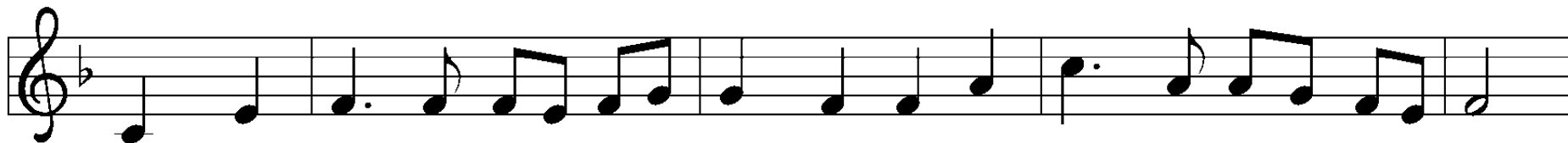
➡ Mar - y was that moth - er mild, Je - sus Christ, her lit - tle child.
with the poor and meek and low-ly, lived on earth our Sav-ior ho-ly.
and he leads his chil - dren on to the place where he is gone.
there his chil - dren gath - er round, bright like stars, with glo - ry crowned.

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Once in Royal David's City, ELW #269, Verse 2



- 1 Once in roy - al Da - vid's cit - y stood a low - ly cat - tle shed,
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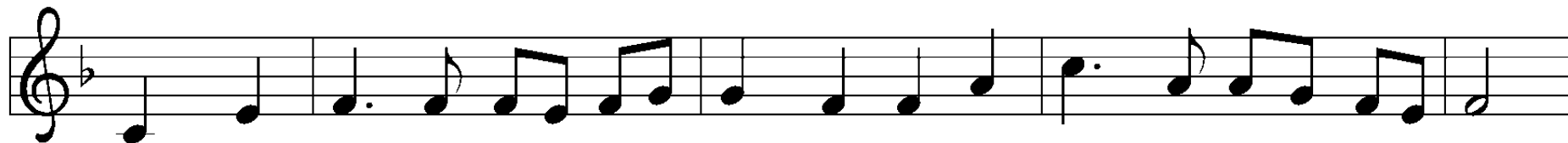
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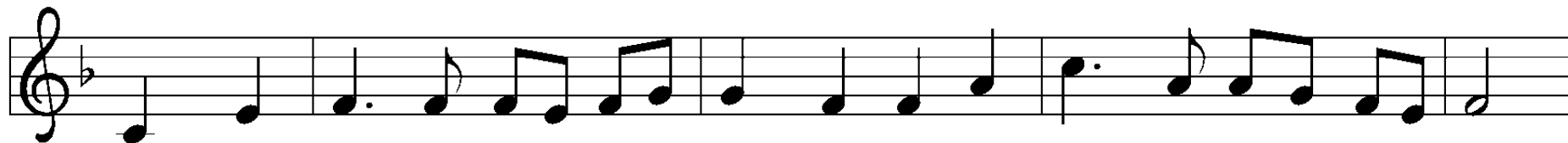
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Once in Royal David's City, ELW #269, Verse 4



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with the poor and meek and low-ly, lived on earth our Sav-ior ho-ly.
and he leads his chil - dren on to the place where he is gone.
→ there his chil - dren gath - er round, bright like stars, with glo - ry crowned.



Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord
Jesus Christ strengthen you and
keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.





Post-Communion Prayer



P: Incarnate God, you are among us
at this table. May we treasure this
gift and ponder in our hearts the
mystery of your presence. Move us
to discover the wonders of your
love in the everyday moments of
our lives, through Christ born in us.

C: Amen.



Candle Lighting

Please light your
candle by dipping it
into the flame of your
neighbor's lit candle.



Christmas Carol

Silent Night
ELW #281

**Please wait to
sing until all
candles are lit.**



Silent Night, ELW #281, vs. 1



	<i>Stil - le Nacht,</i>	<i>hei - li-ge Nacht!</i>	<i>Al - les schläft,</i>
1	Si - lent night,	ho - ly night!	All is calm,
2	Si - lent night,	ho - ly night!	Shep - herds quake
3	Si - lent night,	ho - ly night!	Son of God,



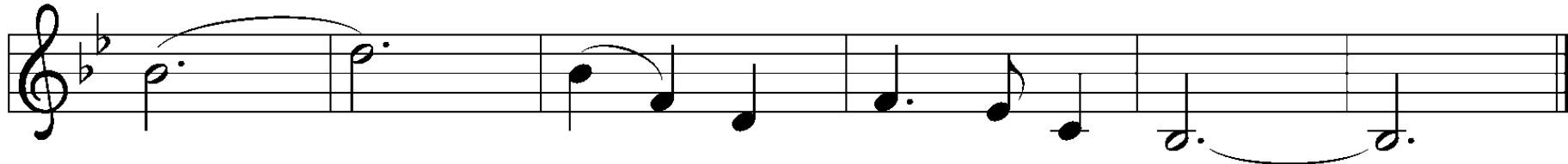
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	at the sight;	glo - ries	stream from heav - en a - far,
	love's pure light	ra - diant	beams from your ho - ly face,

Silent Night, ELW #281, vs. 1



Hold - er Kna - be im lok - ki - gen Haar, schlaf in himm - li - scher

→ Ho - ly In - fant, so ten - der and mild, sleep in heav - en - ly
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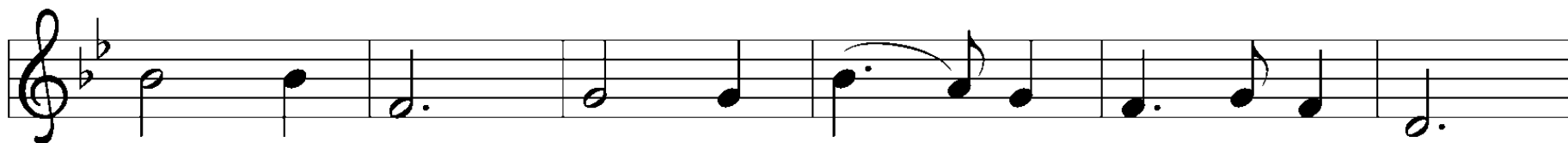
→ peace,
 born!
 birth,
 sleep in heav - en - ly peace.
 Christ, the Sav - ior, is born!
 Je - sus, Lord, at your birth.

Silent Night, ELW #281, vs. 2



Stil - le Nacht, hei - li - ge Nacht! Al - les schläft,

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 2 Si - lent night, ho - ly night! Shep - herds quake
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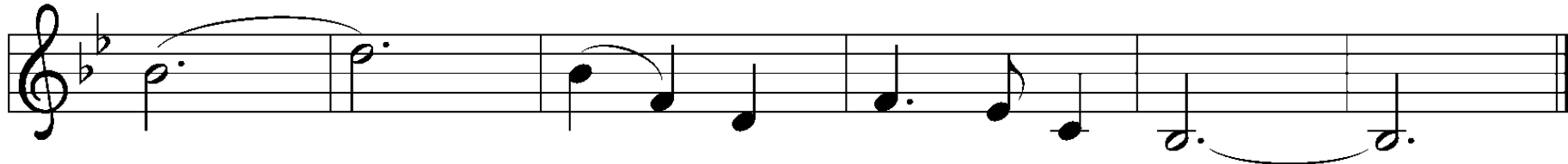
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all is bright round yon vir - gin moth - er and child.
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Silent Night, ELW #281, vs. 3



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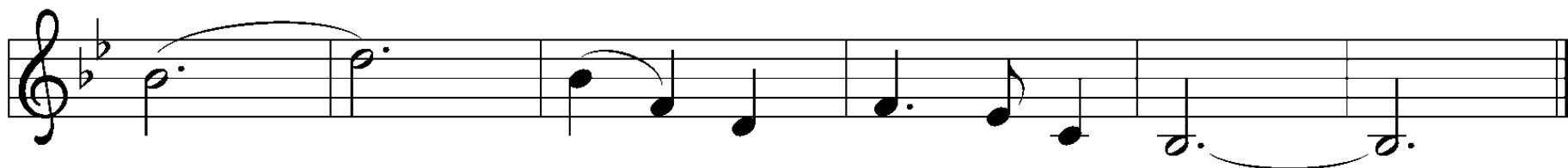
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Christmas Blessing

Lift high the torch; 
You did not light its glow.
'Twas given you by other hands, you know.

I think it started down its pathway bright;
The day the Maker said, "Let there be light."
And he once said who hung on Calvary's tree
"You are the light of the world, 
Go shine for me!"

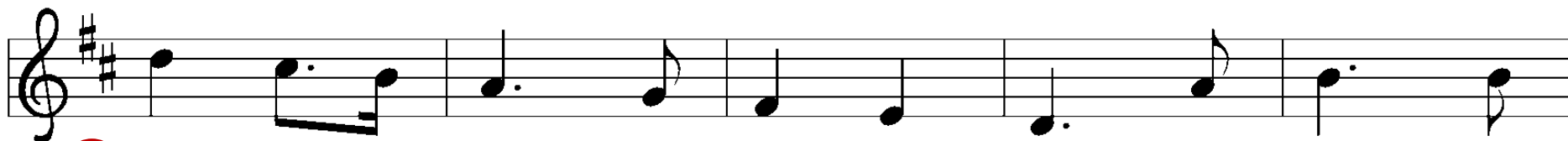
Sending Hymn

Joy to the World

ELW #267



Joy to the World, ELW #267, vs. 1



1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re -
 2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let all their
 3 No more let sin and sor - row grow nor thorns in -
 4 He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the

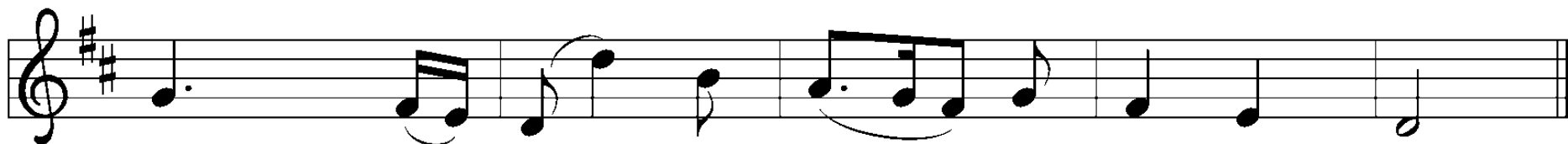


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Joy to the World, ELW #267, vs. 1

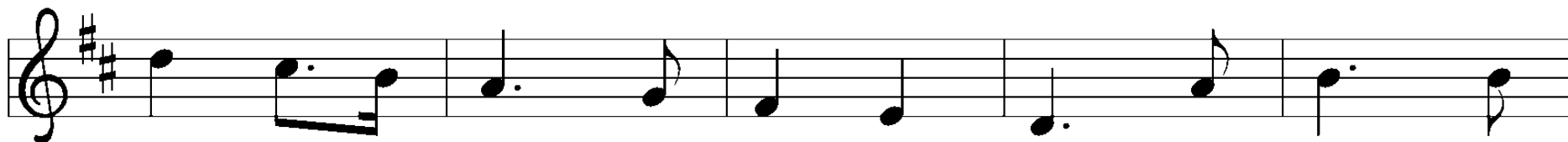


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Joy to the World, ELW #267, vs. 2

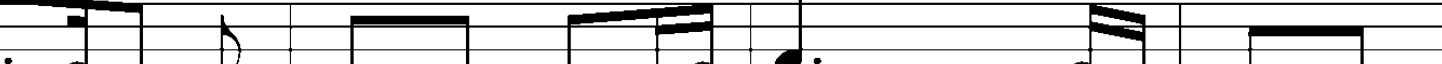


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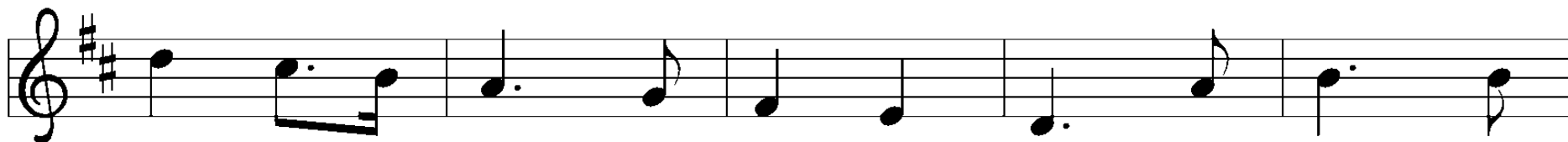
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and won - ders of his love,

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far as the curse is
and won - ders of his

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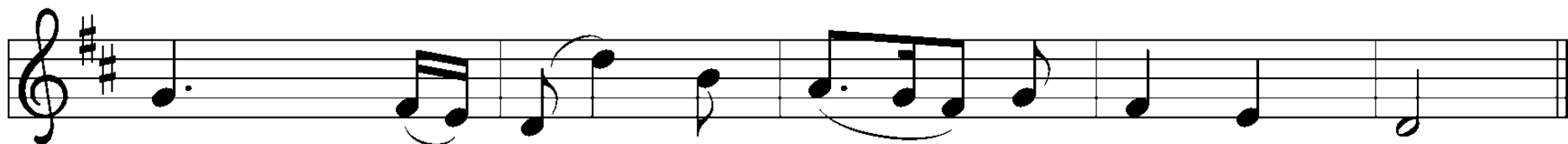
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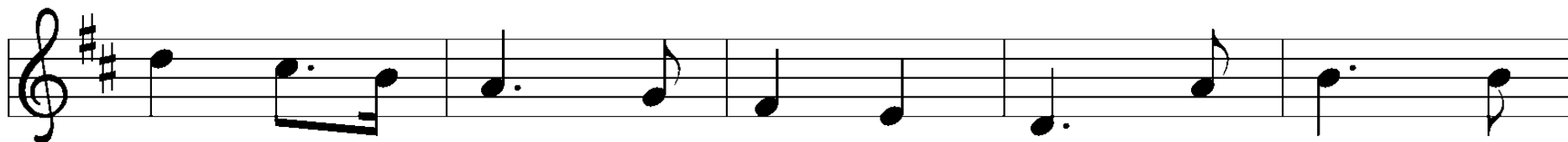
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Joy to the World, ELW #267, vs. 4



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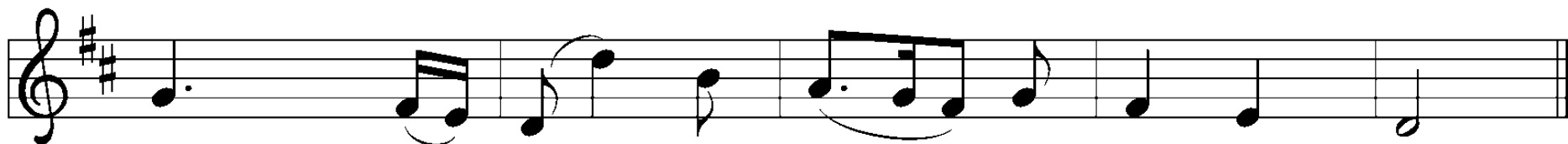
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Dismissal

P: Go in joy. Embody
God's Redeeming
grace.
C: Thanks be to God.



Postlude

Go Tell it on the Mountain

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