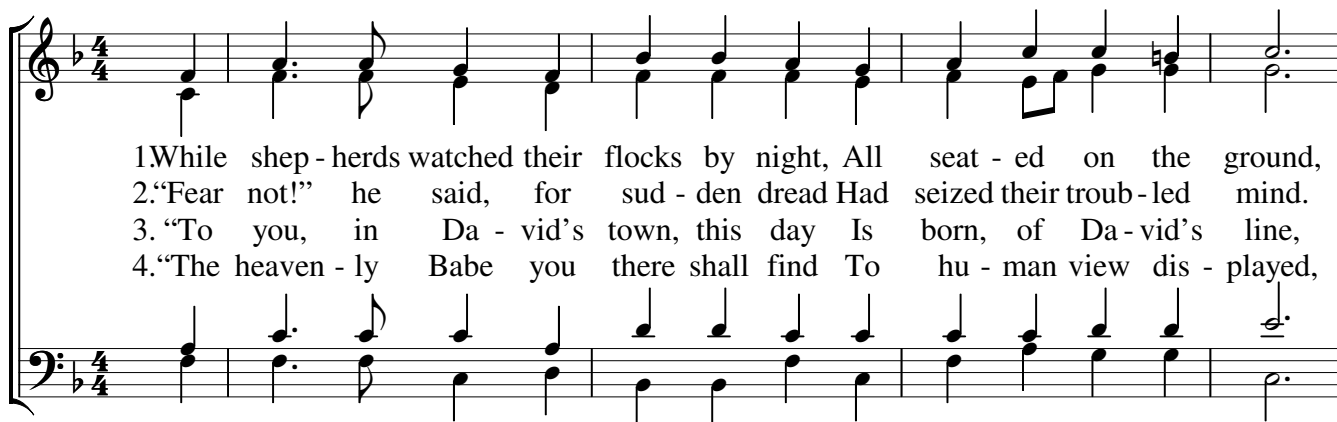


# While shepherds watched their flocks

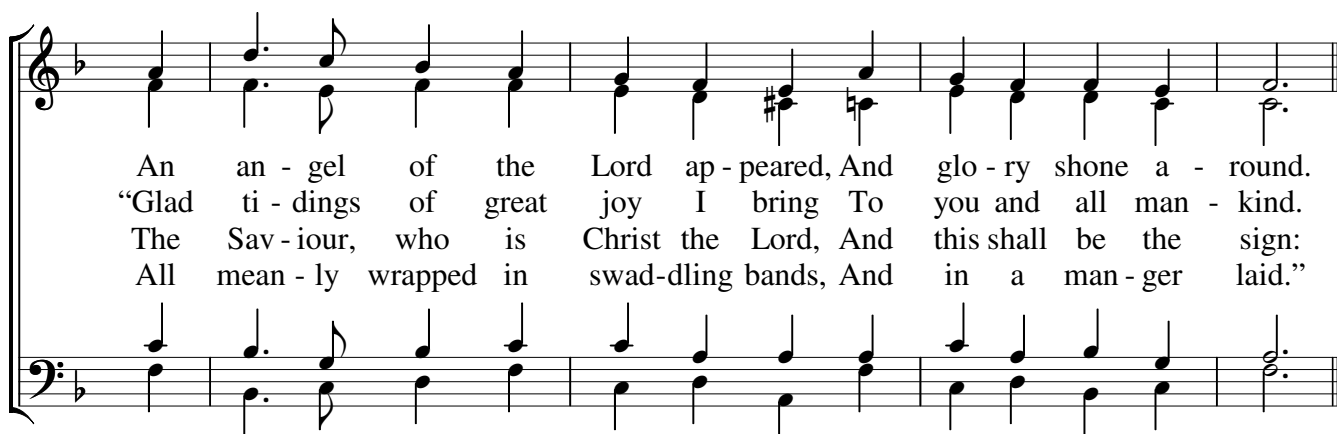
Text: Nahum Tate, 1652-1715

Musik: bei Thomas Este, 1540-1609

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1. While shep - herds watched their flocks by night, All seat - ed on the ground,  
2. "Fear not!" he said, for sud - den dread Had seized their troub - led mind.  
3. "To you, in Da - vid's town, this day Is born, of Da - vid's line,  
4. "The heaven - ly Babe you there shall find To hu - man view dis - played,



An an - gel of the Lord ap - peared, And glo - ry shone a - round.  
"Glad ti - dings of great joy I bring To you and all man - kind.  
The Sav - iour, who is Christ the Lord, And this shall be the sign:  
All mean - ly wrapped in swad - dling bands, And in a man - ger laid."

5. Thus spake the seraph, and forthwith  
Appeared a shining throng  
Of angels praising God, who thus  
Addressed their joyful song:

6. "All glory be to God on high,  
And in the Earth be peace;  
Good will is shown by Heaven to men  
And never more shall cease!"

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# Once in royal David's city

*Text: Cecil Frances Humphreys Alexander, 1818-1895*

*Musik: Henry John Gauntlett, 1805-1876*

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1. Once in roy - al Da - vid's ci - ty 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, through all His won - drous child - hood, He would ho - nor and o - bey,  
4. For He is our child - hood's pat - tern; Day by day, like us He grew;

Where a mo - ther 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;  
Love, and watch the low - ly mai - den, In whose gen - tle arms He lay:  
He was lit - tle, weak and help - less, Tears and smiles like us He knew;

Ma - ry was that mo - ther mild, Je - sus Christ her lit - tle Child.  
With the poor, and mean, and lowly, Lived on earth our Sav - iour holy.  
Chris - tian child - ren all must be Mild, o - be - dient, good as He.  
And He fee - leth for our sadness, And He sha - reth in our gladness.

5. And our eyes at last shall see Him,  
Through His own redeeming love,  
For that Child so dear and gentle  
Is our Lord in Heaven above,  
And He leads His children on  
To the place where He is gone.

6. Not in that poor lowly stable,  
With the oxen standing by,  
We shall see Him; but in Heaven,  
Set at God's right hand on high;  
When like stars His children crowned  
All in white shall wait around.