Hymn 42 5v with intro  
Lyrics William C Dix  
Score Dix.

As with gladness men of old  
did the guiding star behold  
as with joy they haled its light  
leading onwards, beaming bright;  
so, most gracious Lord, may we  
evermore be led to thee.

As with joyful steps they sped  
to that lowly manger bed  
there to bend the knee before  
him whim heaven and earth adore;  
so may we with willing feet  
ever seek thy holy seat.

As they offered gifts most rare  
at that manger rude and bare  
so may we with holy joy  
pure and free from sin’s alloy;  
all our costliest treasures bring  
Christ, to thee, our heavenly king.

Holy Master, every day  
keep us in the narrow way  
and when earthly things are past  
bring us happily at last;  
where we need no star to guide  
where no clouds they glories hide.

In that heavenly country bright  
need they no created light;  
thou its light, its joy, its crown  
thou its sun that goes not down;  
there forever may we sing  
alleluias to our king.