Hymn 34 6v with intro
Lyrics Trad 17C
Score The First Nowell

The first Nowell the Angel did say,
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
in fields where they lay, keeping their sheep
on a cold winter’s night that was so deep.
Nowell, Nowell Nowell, Nowell,
born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star
shining in the east, beyond them far
and to the earth it gave great light
and so it continued both day and night.
Nowell, Nowell Nowell, Nowell,
born is the King of Israel.

And by the light of that same star
three wise men came from country far
to seek for a king was their intent
and to follow the star wherever it went.
Nowell, Nowell Nowell, Nowell,
born is the King of Israel.

This star drew nigh to the north-west
o’er Bethlehem it took its rest
and there it did both stop and stay
right over the place where Jesus lay.
Nowell, Nowell Nowell, Nowell,
born is the King of Israel.

Then entered in those wise men three
fell reverently upon their knee
and offered there in his presence
both gold and myrrh and frankincense.
Nowell, Nowell Nowell, Nowell,
born is the King of Israel.

The let us all with one accord
sing praises to our heavenly Lord
who hath made heaven and earth of nought
and with his blood mankind has bought.
Nowell, Nowell Nowell, Nowell,
born is the King of Israel.