The First Nowell*

1. The first Now - ell the an - gel did say, Was to cer - tain poor
2. For all to see there was a star Shin - ing in the
3. And by the light of that same star The wise men
4. Then let us all with one ac - cord Sing prais - es

shep - herds 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
to our heav - en - ly Lord Who hath made heav'n and

keep - ing their sheep, On a cold win - ter'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 wher - ev - er it went.
earth of naught, And with His blood man - kind hath bought.

Now - ell, Now - ell, Now - ell, Now - ell, Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

* "Nowell" is an Anglicization of the French "Noël," a term for Christmas from the Latin "natalis," or "birthday."
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