

The First Noel

treble voices S/A

Traditional
Arranged by Brian D. Petersen

Use plenty of *rubato* and flexibility in the tempo;
Expressiveness is essential.

$\text{♩} = 72$

Musical score for the first system of "The First Noel". It features three staves: Soprano, Alto, and Piano. The Soprano and Alto staves are currently empty. The Piano part is in 3/4 time and begins with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic. The piano accompaniment consists of a rhythmic melody in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand.

Musical score for the second system of "The First Noel", starting at measure 7. It features three staves: Soprano, Alto, and Piano. The Soprano and Alto staves contain the vocal melody with lyrics: "The first Noel the angel did say was to certain poor". The piano accompaniment continues with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic in the vocal staves and a mezzo-piano (*mp*) dynamic in the piano part.

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rit. $\text{♩} = 65$ *rit.* $\text{♩} = 72$ *a tempo*

shep-herds in fields where they lay, In fields where they lay keep-ing their

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21

mf

sheep on a cold win-ter's night that was so deep, No-el, No-el, No-el, No-el

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f *mp*

el, No - el, No - el, Oh, born is the King of Is - ra - el!

No - el, No - el, No - el, Oh, born is the King of Is - ra - el!

mf

36

mf *mp*

They

They

mp

43

mf *p* *mf* *p* *mf* *p* *mf* *p* *mf* *p* *mf* *p* *mf*

look - ed up and saw a star shin-ing in the east, be - yond them far, and

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8va-1

*play with chime-like effect... (let the pedal sustain a bit)

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to the earth it gave great light, and so it con - ti - nued both day and

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mf

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night. No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el, Born is the King of

night. No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el, Born is the King of

mp *f*

65

Is - ra - el. Then, let us

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poco rit. *a tempo* *f*

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72

all with one ac - cord sing prai - ses to our Heav' - nly Lord, That

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hath made Heaven and earth of naught, and with His blood man - kind has

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bought. No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el! Born is the King of

bought. No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el! Born is the King of

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93 $\text{♩} = 72$ *a tempo* *mp*

Is - ra - el. Born is the King! Born is the King! Born is the

mf *mp*

Is - ra - el. *q tempo* $\text{♩} = 72$ Born is the King! Born is the King, the

100 *a tempo* *rit.* *pp*

Hea - ven-ly King! *pp*

Hea - ven-ly King! *pp*

mf *a tempo* *rit.* *mp* *8va* *p*