

## The First Noel

1. The first Noel 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.

Refrain:  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,  
born is the King of Israel.

2. 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.  
(Refrain)

3. 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.  
(Refrain)

4. This star drew nigh to the northwest,  
o'er Bethlehem it took its rest;  
and there it did both stop and stay,  
right over the place where Jesus lay.  
(Refrain)

5. Then entered in those Wise Men  
three,  
full reverently upon the knee,  
and offered there, in his presence,  
gold and myrrh and frankincense.  
(Refrain)

*The United Methodist Hymnal Number 245*  
*Text: Trad. English carol*  
*Music: Trad. English carol; harm from Christmas*  
*Carols New and Old*  
*Tune: ---, Meter: Irr. with Refrain*

## Sing We Now of Christmas

1. Sing we now of Christmas,  
Noel, sing we here!  
Hear our grateful praises  
to the Babe so dear.

Refrain:  
Sing we Noel,  
the King is born, Noel!  
Sing we now of Christmas,  
sing we now Noel!

4. From the eastern country  
came the kings afar,  
bearing gifts to Bethlehem,  
guided by a star.  
(Refrain)

5. Gold and myrrh they took there,  
gifts of greatest price;  
there was never a stable  
so like a paradise.  
(Refrain)

*The United Methodist Hymnal Number 237*  
*Text: Trad. French carol (Lk. 2:8-20; Mt. 2:1-12)*  
*Music: Trad. French carol; harm. by Martin Shaw,*  
*1928*  
*Tune: FRENCH CAROL, Meter: 11 10.10 11*

## Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all  
blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here  
below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

*The United Methodist Hymnal Number 095*  
*Text: Thomas Ken*  
*Music: Attr. to Louis Bourgeois*  
*Tune: OLD 100TH, Meter: LM*

## The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in Heaven,  
hallowed be thy name. Thy  
kingdom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven. Give us  
this day our daily bread; and  
forgive us our trespasses as we  
forgive those who trespass against  
us. Lead us not into temptation, but  
deliver us from evil, For thine is the  
kingdom and the power and the  
glory forever. Amen

## We Three Kings

1. We three kings of Orient are;  
bearing gifts we traverse afar,  
field and fountain, moor and  
mountain,  
following yonder star.

Refrain:  
O star of wonder, star of light,  
star with royal beauty bright,  
westward leading, still proceeding,  
guide us to thy perfect light.

2. Born a King on Bethlehem's  
plain,  
gold I bring to crown him again,  
King forever, ceasing never,  
over us all to reign.  
(Refrain)

3. Frankincense to offer have I;  
incense owns a Deity nigh;  
prayer and praising, voices raising,  
worshiping God on high.  
(Refrain)

4. Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume  
breathes a life of gathering gloom;  
sorrowing, sighing, bleeding,  
dying,  
sealed in the stone-cold tomb.  
(Refrain)

5. Glorious now behold him arise;  
King and God and sacrifice:  
Alleluia, Alleluia,  
sounds through the earth and skies.  
(Refrain)

*The United Methodist Hymnal Number 254*  
*Text: John H. Hopkins, Jr., 1820-1891*  
*Music: John H. Hopkins, Jr., 1820-1891*  
*Tune: KINGS OF ORIENT, Meter: 88.446 with*  
*Refrain*

## Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Refrain:  
Go, tell it on the mountain,  
over the hills and everywhere;  
go, tell it on the mountain,  
that Jesus Christ is born.

1. While shepherds kept their  
watching  
o'er silent flocks by night,  
behold throughout the heavens  
there shone a holy light.  
(Refrain)

2. The shepherds feared and  
trembled,  
when lo! above the earth,  
rang out the angel chorus  
that hailed the Savior's birth.  
(Refrain)

3. Down in a lowly manger  
the humble Christ was born,  
and God sent us salvation  
that blessed Christmas morn.  
(Refrain)

*The United Methodist Hymnal Number 251*  
*Text: John W. Work, Jr., 1907 (Lk. 2:8-20)*  
*Music: Afro-American spiritual; adapt. and arr. by*  
*William Farley Smith, 1986 (MH arr. by*  
*Tune: GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN, Meter:*  
*Irr. with Refrain*