

Pentonville

Setting by William Marsh of Canterbury*

This simplified version for melody and single harmony arranged by Kathy Wallwork.

Harmony

1. While Shep - - herds watched their flocks by
 2. 'Fear not', said he, for migh - - - - - ty
 3. 'To you in Da - - vid's town this
 4. 'The heaven - - ly babe you there shall
 5. Thus spake the ser - - aph, and forth
 6. 'All glo - - ry be to God on

Melody

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H

(1) night, All seat - - ed on the ground, All
 (2) dread Had seized their trou - - bled mind, Had
 (3) day Is born of Da - - vid's line, Is
 (4) find To hu - - man view dis - - played, To
 (5) with A - - ppeared a shin - - ing throng peace, A - -
 (6) high And to the earth be peace, And

M

(1) night
 (2) dread
 (3) day
 (4) find
 (5) with
 (6) high

All Had Is To A - - And
 seat - - ed seized born hu - - man ppeared to
 on trou - - bled Da - - vid's view dis - - shin - - ing earth
 the bled vid's dis - - ing be
 ground, mind, line, played, throng peace,
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The an - - gel
 'Glad ti - - dings of the
 A Sav - - iour, who great
 All mean - - ly wrapped in Lord
 Of an - - gels prai - - sing God, came
 Good - - will hence - forth from heaven to down
 bring
 Lord, I
 bands, the
 thus, thing
 men, who
 bands, thus
 Add - - men,
 Be - -

H

(1) The an - - gel of the down
 (2) 'Glad ti - - dings of the great bring
 (3) A Sav - - iour, who is Lord,
 (4) All mean - - ly wrapped in swa - - - - - thing bands,
 (5) Of an - - gels prai - - sing God, who thus
 (6) Good - - will hence - forth from heaven to men,

M

(1) of the Lord came down And
 (2) of the great joy I bring To
 (3) who is Christ, the Lord, And
 (4) wrapped in swa - - - - - thing bands, And
 (5) prai - - - - - sing God, who thus Add - -
 (6) forth from heaven to men, Be - -

H

(1) And glo - - ry shone a - - round, And
 (2) To you and all man - kind, To
 (3) And this shall be the sign, And
 (4) And in a man - - ger laid, And
 (5) Add - ressed their joy - - ful song, Add - -
 (6) Be - gin and ne - - ver cease, Be - -

M

(1) glo - - ry shone a - - round And glo - - ry shone a - -
 (2) you and all man - kind, To you and all man -
 (3) this shall be the sign, And this shall be the
 (4) in a man - - ger laid, And in a man - - ger
 (5) ressed their joy - - ful song, Add - - ressed their joy - - ful
 (6) gin and ne - - ver cease, Be - - gin and ne - - ver

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 (4) in a man - - ger laid, All mean - ly wrapped in
 (5) ressed their joy - - ful song, Of An - - gels pra - - sing
 (6) gin and ne - - ver cease, Good - will hence - forth from

M

(1) round And glo - - ry shone a - - round
 (2) kind, To you and all man - kind
 (3) sign, And this shall be the sign
 (4) laid, And in a man - - ger laid
 (5) song, Add - ressed their joy - - ful song
 (6) cease, Be - - gin and ne - - ver cease

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slows *a tempo*

(1) Lord came down and glo - ry shone a - round, And glo - - ry shone a - round.
 (2) joy I bring To you and all man kind, To you and all man kind.
 (3) Christ the Lord, And this shall be the sign, And this shall be the sign.
 (4) swa - thing bands and in a man - ger laid, And in a man - ger laid.
 (5) God, who thus Add - ressed their joy - ful song, Add - re - ssed their joy - ful song.
 (6) heaven to men, Be - - gin and ne - - ver cease, Be - - gin and ne - - ver cease.

M

(1) And glo - - ry shone a - - round.
 (2) To you and all man - kind.
 (3) And this shall be the sign.
 (4) And in a man - ger laid.
 (5) Add - ressed their joy - ful song.
 (6) Be - - gin and ne - - ver cease.

*Canterbury bookseller William Marsh's "Pentonville" was published in "A Set of New Psalm & Hymn Tunes" in 1815 and again in an 1833 hymnal published in Sheffield. Pub-goers in the villages around Sheffield have a long-standing tradition of singing old carols and Pentonville is still widely sung each year.
 For information see <http://thewarblers.org.uk/Composers.htm> and "The Sheffield Book of Village Carols" Edited by Professor Ian Russell.