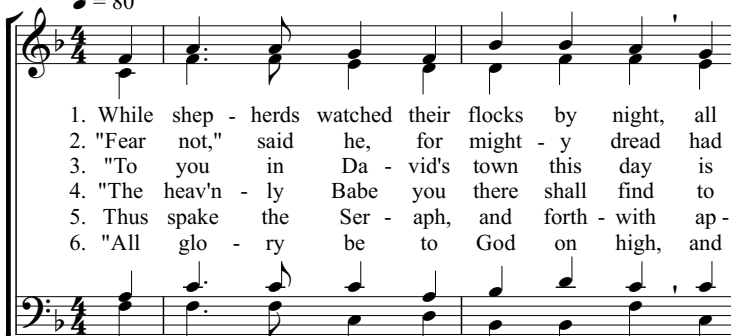


562 While shepherds watched their flocks

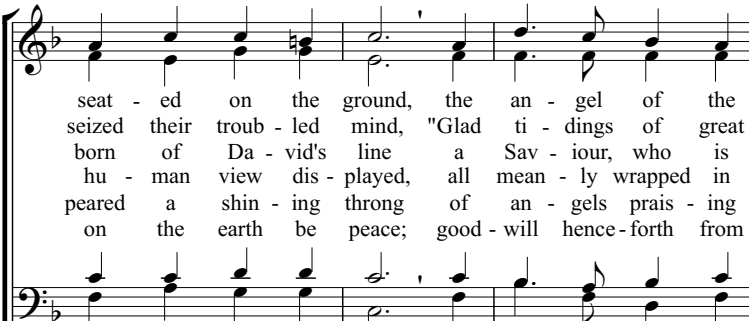
Nahum Tate (1652-1715)

Este's Psalter, 1592

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1. While shep - herds watched their flocks by night, all
2. "Fear not," said he, for might - y dread had
3. "To you in Da - vid's town this day is
4. "The heav'n - ly Babe you there shall find to
5. Thus spake the Ser - aph, and forth - with ap -
6. "All glo - ry be to God on high, and



seat - ed on the ground, the an - gel of the
seized their troub - led mind, "Glad ti - dings of great
born of Da - vid's line a Sav - iour, who is
hu - man view dis - played, all mean - ly wrapped in
peared a shin - ing throng of an - gels prais - ing
on the earth be peace; good - will hence - forth from



Lord came down, and glo - ry shone a - round.
joy I bring to you and all man - kind.
Christ the Lord; and this shall be the sign:
swath - ing bands, and in a man - ger laid."
God, who thus ad - dressed their joy - ful song:
heav'n to men be - gin and nev - er cease."