



# THE CRADLE IN BETHLEHEM

UNISON SONG\*

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Un poco andante (♩ = 42)

*p semplice*

Key E. *legato e cantabile*

*mp* *con Pedale*

*p semplice*

There was no cra-dle for  
d : r : m l f : r : m }

Je - sus — When he was small, — On - ly a rough wood - en  
d : - : r l : m : - *Nine-pulse meas.* Key B. *Six pulse meas.*  
s il d : - : l : - : - d il, : d l m : r : m |

man-ger — In a poor stall; — Yet the ba-by who lay there so  
*Nine-pulse meas.* *Six pulse meas.* Key E.  
d il, : - : - : il, : d : t, d s : - : - : l : s d' : t : s ll : s : f |

Duration about 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  mins.

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poco rit. a tempo poco rit.

low-ly ——— Was king of us all. ———

*(Nine-pulse meas. Six-pulse meas.)*

poco rit. a tempo poco rit.

a tempo

There was no lamp in the sta - ble That win - ter night, —

*(Nine-pulse meas. Key B.)*

a tempo

On-ly a shep-herd's dim lan-tern — Gave fit - ful light; Yet the

*(Six-pulse meas. Nine-pulse meas. Key E.)*

star that burn'd o-ver the roof tree — Made all Hea-ven bright. —

*(Six-pulse meas. Nine-pulse meas. Key Ab-(G#))*

poco rit. a tempo

with a shade more movement

No man made mu - sic for Je - sus,  
*Nine-pulse meas.*  
 : r : m l f : r : f l m : d : - )

*p*

*Red. \**

*sost. a tempo*

*poco cresc.*

Songs they made none; On - ly Heav'n's an-gels were prais - ing  
 ( *ma* d : l : t : l m : - t - l : : || d : r : m l f : r : m l d : - : s : )

*sost. a tempo*

*Red. \**

Fa - ther and Son In a song that will ring down the a - ges Till  
 ( m : r : m l r : - t - l : r : r | f : r : m l f : m : r l s : m d )

*mf*

*Red. \**

*Red. \**

*allargando*

a - ges are done.  
 ( m : r : d l r s : - t - l : - : | - : : : )

*mp cresc.* *sonore*

*allargando*

*poco dim. e rit.*

*Red. \**

*Red. \**

a tempo *l*o

*p*  
We sing the glo-ry of Je - sus — As they sang then.  
*Six-pulse meas.* *Nine-pulse meas.* Key B.  
*a tempo l*o  
*pp* *p*  
*Red.* \* *Red.* \* *Red.* \*

*poco cresc.* *mf*  
 Soon may the whole earth re - ech - o — That song a - gain: — Praise and  
*Six-pulse meas.* *Nine-pulse meas.* Key E.  
*poco cresc.* *mf*  
*Red.* \*

*poco maestoso* *poco dim. e rit. a tempo*  
 glo-ry to God in the high-est, — Good-will to-ward men.  
*Six-pulse meas.* *Nine-pulse meas.* *Six-pulse meas.*  
*poco dim. e rit. a tempo*  
*mp*  
*Red.* \* *Red.* \*

*poco rit.*  
*p*  
*Red.* \*