

*Recit. Andante*

*p* Un-to you is born this day in the ci-ty of Da-vid a Sa-viour,

*f* which is Christ the Lord. *p* And this shall be a sign to you: *Poco adagio* Ye shall

find the Babe, wrapped in swad-dling clothes, and ly-ing in a man-ger.

*Allegretto semplice*

*mp* O lit-tle town of Beth-le-hem, How still we see thee

lie! A - bove thy deep and dream-less sleep, The si - lent stars go

by: *mf* Yet in thy dark streets shi-neth The *cresc.* ev - er - last-ing light; The *f*

hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee to - night. *dim. e rit. a tempo*

*Poco meno mosso*

*pp* How si - lent-ly, how si - lent-ly The won-drous gift is

giv'n! So God im-parts to hu - man hearts The bless-ings of his

heav'n. No ear may hear his com - ing; But in this world of sin, Where *mp*

meek souls will re - ceive him, still The dear Christ en - ters in. *dim.*

*Poco sostenuto*

O ho - ly Child of Beth - le - hem, De -

scend to us, we pray; Cast out our sin and en - ter in, Be -

*sempre cresc.*

born in us to - day! We hear the Christ-mas an - gels The

*f* *ff*

great glad ti - dings tell; Oh, come to us, a - bide with us, Our

*dim.* *p*

Lord Em - man - u - el!