


Christmas Eve

SECOND TUNE

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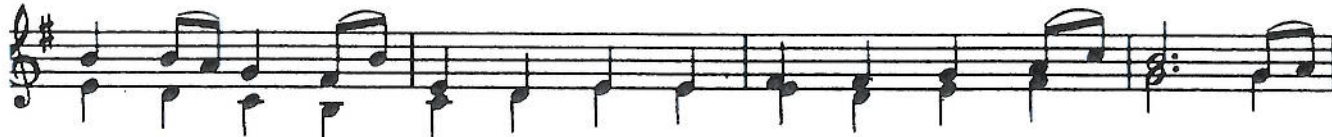
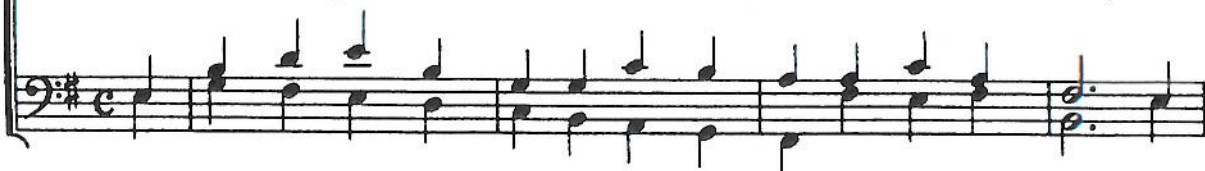
Traditional

OPRANO
ALTO


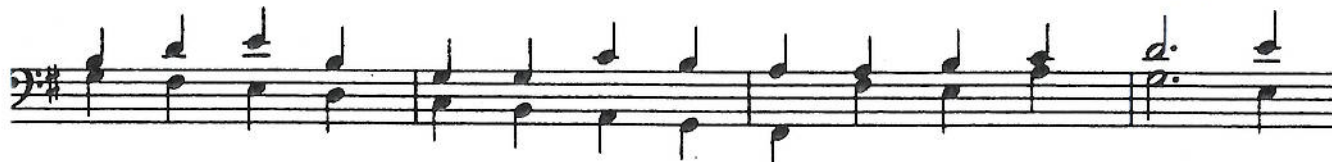


1. The Lord at first did A-dam make Out of the dust and clay, And
2. Now mark the good-ness of the Lord Which he to man-kind bore; His

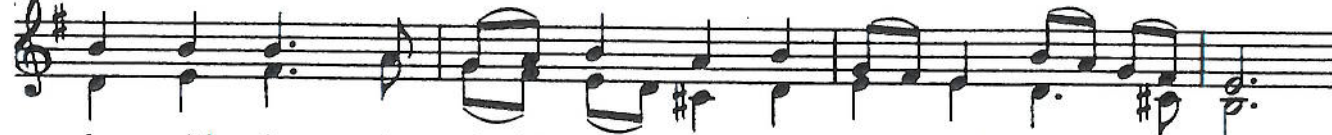

TENOR
BASS




in his nos-trils brea-thed life, E'en as the scrip-tures say. And
mer-cy soon he did ex-tend, Lost man for to re-store: And



then in E-den's pa-ra-dise He pla-ced him to dwell, That
then, for to re-deem our souls From death and hell-ish thrall, He



he with-in it should re-main, To dress and keep it well:
said his own dear Son should be The Sa-viour of us all:



CHORUS

Now let good Christ-ians all be - gin An ho - ly— life— to live, And—

to re - joice and mer - ry— be, For this is—Christ-mas Eve.

3 Now for the blessings we enjoy,
 Which are from heaven above,
 Let us renounce all wickedness,
 And live in perfect love:
 Then shall we do Christ's own command,
 E'en his own written word;
 And when we die, in heaven shall
 Enjoy our living Lord:

Now let good Christians etc.

4 And now the tide is nigh at hand,
 In which our Saviour came;
 Let us rejoice and merry be
 In keeping of the same:
 Let's feed the poor and hungry souls,
 And such as do it crave;
 Then when we die, in heaven we
 Our sure reward shall have:

Now let good Christians etc.

In Davies Gilbert's West-country collection, *Some Ancient Christmas Carols*, 1822,
 seven verses, with the first tune. The second tune is from Sandys, *Christmas Carols*, 1833.