



# While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks



Lyrics: attributed to Nahum Tate (c. 1500–1573)

Mus. Trad. Christmas carol  
Arrangement: Gwyn Arch



All *Cheerful / Fröhlich*  $\text{♩} = c. 92$

Piano *mf*

5 *mf*

1. While shep - herds watched their flocks by night, all  
 2. "Fear not", said he, for might - y had  
 4. Thus spake the ser - aph; and forth - with ap -

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seat - ed on the ground, the an - gel  
 seized their troubled mind. "Glad tid - ings  
 peared a - ing through of an - gels

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of I came down, the an - gel of the Lord came  
 of great joy I bring, glad tid - ings of great joy I  
 prais - ing God, who thus, of an - gels prais - ing God, who

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div. (optional lower part / tiefere Stimme optional)

*cresc.*

down, and glo - ry shone a - round, and glo - ry shone a - round, and  
bring to you and all man - kind, to you and all man - kind, to  
thus ad - dressed their joy - ful song, ad - dressed their joy - ful song, ad -

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Vers. to Coda ⊕

glo - ry shone a - round.  
you dressed and their joy - ful song.

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3. "To you in Da-vid's town this day  
3. "To you in Da-vid's town this day is born of

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is born of Da - vid's line,  
Da - vid's a sav - iour

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a sa - viour who is Christ the Lord,  
 who is Christ the Lord, a sa - viour who is Christ the

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*cresc.*  
 and this shall be the sign, this be the sign, and  
*cresc.*  
 Lord, and this shall be the sign, his shall be the sign, and

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this shall sign.  
 this shall the sign.  
 Verse 4 dal §

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5. "All ry be t God on high, God on high, and to the  
 C Dm Em F C G Am Am7  
 p

56 *f*

earth be peace. Good will he from heav men,

Dm<sup>6</sup> Dm Em Fmaj7 G G Em<sup>7</sup> G<sup>7</sup>/D<sup>b</sup>

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gin and nev-er be - gin and nev - er cease, be - gin and

C D/C G/B D/A G

66 *div.*

gin and nev-er be - gin and nev - er cease, be - gin and

C/E G<sup>7</sup>/D B<sup>b</sup> Am Am Em/G F<sup>6</sup> Am/F<sup>#</sup>

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nev et cease.

C/G G C F/C