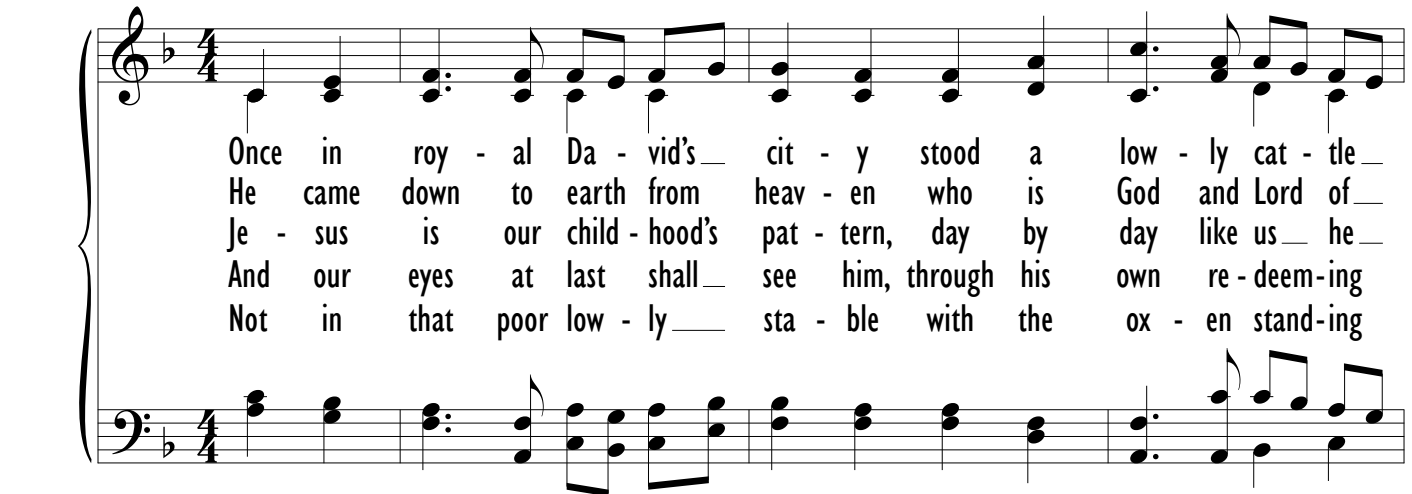


Once in Royal David's City

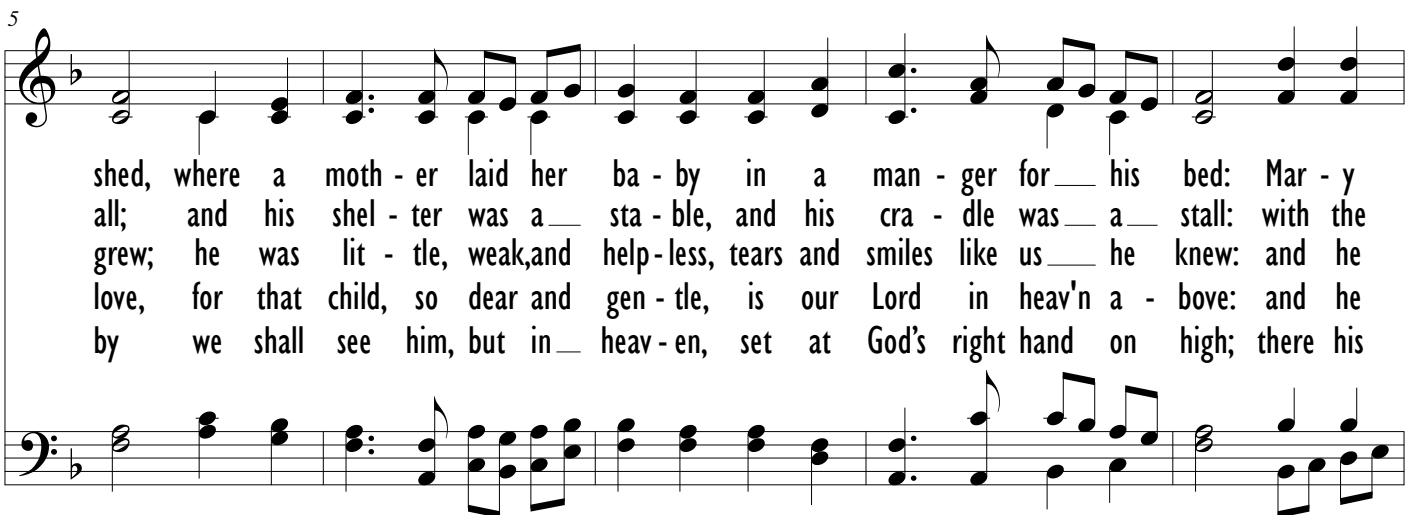
Cecil Frances Alexander

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Once in roy - al Da - vid's cit - y stood a low - ly cat - tle
He came down to earth from heav - en who is God and Lord of
Je - sus is our child - hood's pat - tern, day by day like us he
And our eyes at last shall see him, through his own re - deem - ing
Not in that poor low - ly sta - ble with the ox - en stand - ing

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shed, where a moth - er laid her ba - by in a man - ger for his bed: Mar - y
all; and his shel - ter was a sta - ble, and his cra - dle was a stall: with the
grew; he was lit - tle, weak, and help - less, tears and smiles like us he knew: and he
love, for that child, so dear and gen - tle, is our Lord in heav'n a - bove: and he
by we shall see him, but in heav - en, set at God's right hand on high; there his

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was that moth - er mild, Je - sus Christ, her lit - tle child.
poor, and meek, and low - ly lived on earth our Sav - ior ho - ly.
feels for all our sad - ness, and he shares in all our glad - ness.
leads his chil - dren on to the place where he has gone.
chil - dren gath - er round, bright like stars, with glo - ry crowned.