

# Nowell Syng We

Refrain

No = wel syng we now al & sum.  
 ffor rex pa = ci = fi = cus is cum.

- In bed = seem in that fayr ce = te.
- Child = ryn were slayn ful greth plen = te.
- As sun = ne schy = nyth thorw the glas.
- Now god is comyn to wurch = eppn us.

A child was born of a may = dn fre.  
 Ihe = su for the loue of the  
 So ihe = su in his mod = yr was  
 Now of mar = ye is born ihe = sus  
 born of a may = dn fre.

That shall a lord & pryn = ce be.  
 Quer = fore here sowl = ys sau = yd be.  
 The to serue now graunth us gras.  
 Make we mer = y a = mong = ys us.

A so = lis or = tus car = di = ne.  
 hos = tis he = ro = des im = pi = e.  
 o lux be = a = ta tri = ni = tas.  
 Ex = ul = tet ce = lum lau = di = bus.

Nowel sing we now all and some,  
 For Rex pacificus is come

In Bethl'em in that fair city,  
 A child was born of a maiden free,  
 That shall a Lord and Prince be,  
 A solis ortus cardine.

Children were slain full great plenty,  
 Jesu, for the love of Thee,  
 Wherefore their soulës savèd be  
 Hostis Herodes impie.

As the sun shineth through the glass,  
 So Jesu in His mother was,  
 Thee to serve now grant us grace,  
 O lux beata Trinitas.

Now God is come to honour us  
 Now of Mary is born Jesus,  
 Make we merry among us,  
 Exultet coelum laudibus.

- modern version by J.A. Fuller Maitland