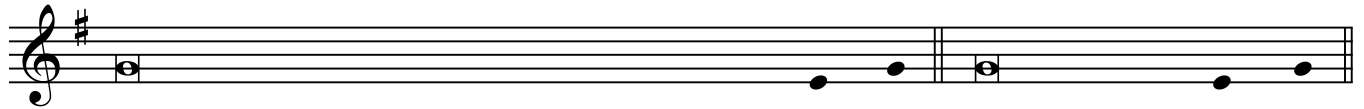


Gospel: Christmas Mass in the Night

Luke 2: 1-14



The Lord be with you. And also with you.



A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.



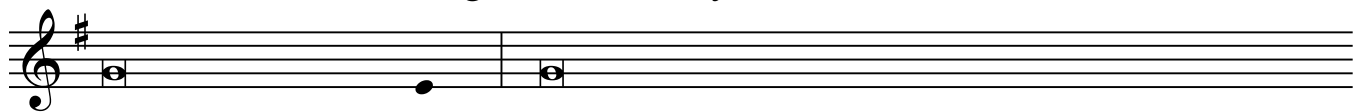
In those days a decree went out from Cae-sar Au-gus-tus that the



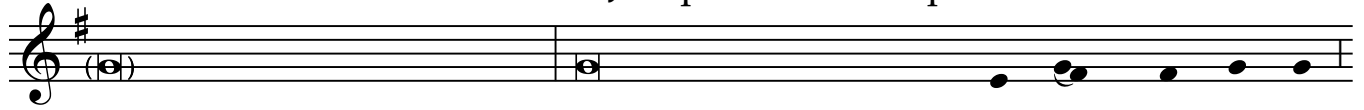
whole world should be en-rolled. This was the first en-roll-ment,



when Quirinius was governor of Sy-ri-a. So all went to be enrolled,



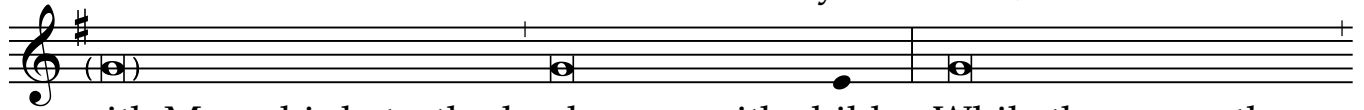
each to his own town. And Joseph too went up from Galilee from the



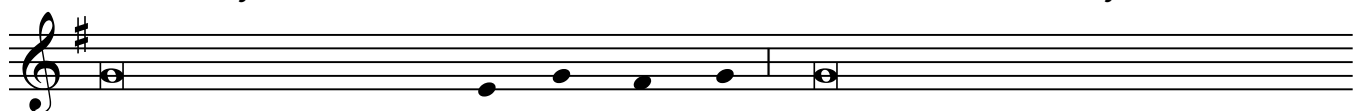
town of Nazareth to Judea, to the city of David that is called Beth-le-hem,



because he was of the house and fam-i-ly of Da-vid, to be enrolled



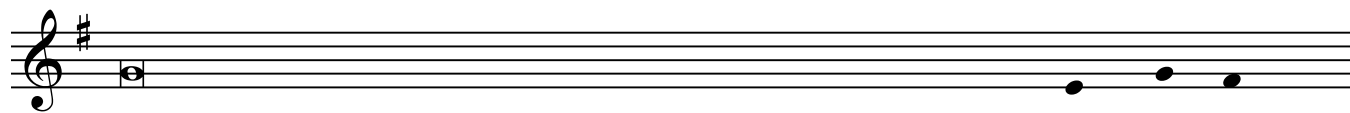
with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. While they were there,



the time came for her to have her child, and she give birth to her

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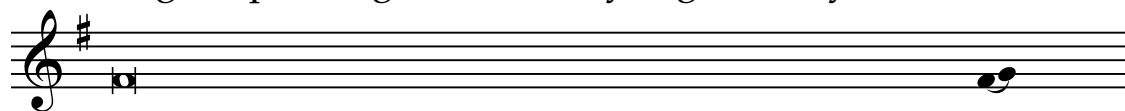
firstborn son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him
in a man-ger, because there was no room for them in the inn.
Now there were shepherds in that region liv-ing in the fields
and keeping the night watch over their flock. The angel of the Lord
appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone a - round them,
and they were struck with great fear. The angel said to them,
"Do not be a - fraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of
great joy that will be for all the peo-ple. For today in the city of David
a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this
will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling
clothes and lying in a man-ger."



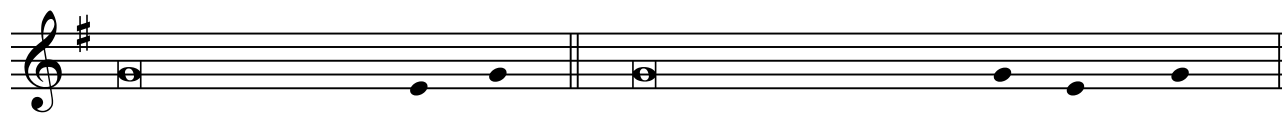
And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the



an-gel, praising God and say-ing: "Glory to God in the high-est



and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."



The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.