

To the Rev. Richard D. Leach, with thanks

Born Is the Babe

SAB a cappella

Anon., early 17th cent.

Curt Oliver

Allegro ($\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 120$)

lightly accented throughout

f ($\text{♩} = \text{♩}$)

Soprano
Alto

Ho - di - e, ho - di - e Chris - tus na - tus est! Al - le - lu -

Baritone

f

4

mf

ia! No - el! No - el! No - el! Born is the Babe, the

mf

8

on - ly Branch of Peace, The sweet Mes - si - as, God's most ho - ly Son, Whose

11

death our life, — whose wounds our joy in - crease, Who wrought our weal when

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all our hope was gone, Whose grief our joy, whose lack re-lieved our loss, Who

17

cured our care by suf-f'ring on the cross. Ho-di-e Chri-stus

21

na-tus est! Al-le-lu-ia! No-el! No-el! No-el!

25

No-el! No-el! No-el!

Born is the Lamb, the Sac-ri-fice of Joy, the Spot-less Per-son,

28

No-el! The sweet Sa-mar-i-tan that cured all an-joy, The

Ran-som of our sin, No-el! No-el! No-el!

31 *mf*

Son whom the Sire de - light - ed in, The Ha - ven of Peace when

No - el! No - el! No - el! No - el! No - el!

34

world - ly trou - bles toss, Who cured our sin by suf - f'ring on the cross.

No - el!

38 *f*

Ho - di - e, ho - di - e Chri - stus na - tus est! Al - le - lu - ia! No - el! No -

f

42 *mf*

el! No - el! Born is the Shep - herd care - ful of his sheep, The

mf

46

Light of Glo - ry bright of maj - es - ty, The Fa - ther's Pow'r— who

49 *f*

hath our sins in keep, The ver - y Beam of true Di - vin - i - ty, Whom

f

52

praise we still when world - ly trou - bles toss, Who cured our care by

55

suf - f'ring on the cross. Ho - di - e Ho - di - e Chri - stus na - tus est! No -

59

Chri - stus na - tus est! Ho - di - e Chri - stus na - tus el! No - el! No - el! Ho - di - e Chri - stus na - tus

62

est! Al - le - lu - ia! No - el! No - el! Al - le - lu - ia! No - el! *Div.* est! Al - le - lu - ia! No - el! No - el!