

Away in a Manger

Luther's Cradle Song (Hymn), Mueller

Words: Anonym

Music: James Ramsey Murray, 1887

The first system of musical notation for 'Away in a Manger' is in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It begins with a mezzo-piano (*mp*) dynamic. The right hand features a melody of eighth and quarter notes, while the left hand provides a simple accompaniment of quarter notes.

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The second system of musical notation continues the piece from measure 10. The melodic line in the right hand and the accompaniment in the left hand follow the same rhythmic and harmonic patterns as the first system.

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The third system of musical notation begins at measure 19. The *mp* dynamic is indicated. The right hand has a more active melodic line with some chords, while the left hand continues with a steady accompaniment.

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The fourth system of musical notation concludes the piece starting at measure 29. The right hand melody and left hand accompaniment lead to a final cadence.

System 1: Musical notation for measures 39-43. The treble clef contains chords and melodic fragments, while the bass clef features a steady accompaniment of dotted half notes.

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System 2: Musical notation for measures 44-48. Similar to the first system, it shows a progression of chords in the treble and a consistent bass line.

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System 3: Musical notation for measures 53-57. The bass clef part becomes more active with eighth-note patterns, while the treble clef continues with harmonic support.

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System 4: Musical notation for measures 58-62. The bass clef features a prominent eighth-note accompaniment, and the treble clef has a more melodic line.

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System 5: Musical notation for measures 63-67. The final system on the page, showing a continuation of the eighth-note bass line and chordal accompaniment.

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Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
 The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head.
 The stars in the bright sky looked down where He lay,
 The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes,
 But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes;
 I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky
 And stay by my side until morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay
 Close by me forever, and love me, I pray;
 Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care,
 And fit us for Heaven to live with Thee there.