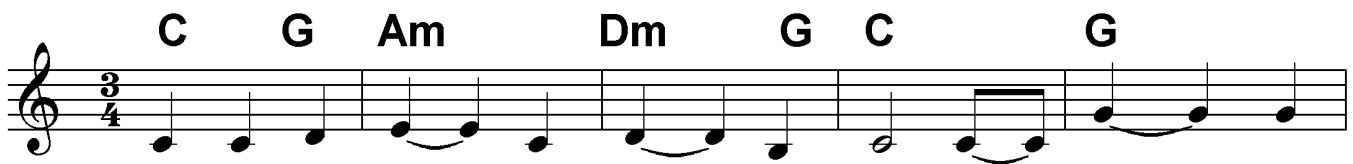


# The Friendly Beasts

Words: Attributed to Pierre de Corbeil, 12th century  
English translation, Robert Davis, 1920

Music: Traditional English Carol



1. Je - sus, our Bro - ther, kind and good, Was hum - bly
2. "I," said the don - key, shag - gy and brown, "I car - ried His
3. "I," said the cow, all white and red, "I gave Him my
4. "I," said the sheep with curl - y horn, "I gave Him my
5. "I," said the dove, from the raf - ters high, "I cooed Him to
6. "I," said the cam - el all yel - low and black, "O - ver the
7. Thus, all the beasts, re - mem - ber - ing well, In the sta - ble



born in a sta - ble rude, And the friend - ly beasts a -  
moth - er up hill and down, I car - ried His moth - er to  
man - ger for His bed, I gave Him hay for to  
wool for His blan - ket warm, He wore my coat on  
sleep that He should not cry, We cooed Him to sleep, my  
des - ert, up - on my back, I brought Him a gift in the  
dark, were so glad to tell Of the gifts they gave Em -



round Him stood, Je - sus our Bro - ther, kind and good.  
Beth - le - hem town; "I," said the don - key, shag - gy and brown.  
pil - low His head; "I," said the cow all white and red.  
Christ - mas morn; "I," said the sheep with curl - y horn.  
love and I; "I," said the dove, from raf - ters high.  
wise men's pack; "I," said the cam - el, all yel - low and black.  
man - u - el, The gifts they gave Em - man - u - el.