

Lullay, lullay, litel child

Modern English version

Music: David Yardley

Lyrics: Anon c.1372

♩ = c. 120 Burden (Chorus) - repeat after each verse

Soprano

1. Lul - lay, lul - lay, lul - lay, lul - lay,

Alto

Lul - lay, lul - lay, lul - lay,

Tenor

Lul - lay, lul - lay,

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lit - tle child, lit - tle child, Why weep - est thou? why weep - est thou? why

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lit - tle child, Why weep - est thou? why

lit - tle child, Why

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weep - est thou so sore? why weep - est thou so sore?

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Verses 1-2

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1. Lul - lay, lul - lay, lul - lay, lul - lay, lit - tle

2. But for my sin, but for my sin, but for my sin I know it

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child, Thou that were so stern and wild Now art be - come meek and
 is That God's Son suf - fered this; Mer - cy, Lord! I have done a -

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mild To save what was for - lorn, to save what was for - lorn.
 miss; Tru - ly, I will no more, tru - ly, I will no more.

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Verses 3-4

3. A - gainst my Fa - ther's, a - gainst my Fa - ther's, my Fa - ther's
 4. An ap - ple I took, an ap - ple I took, an ap - ple I took

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3. my Fa - ther's
 4. An ap - ple took

will I chose An ap - ple whence sor - row en - sues; Where - fore mine heart's
 from a tree; God it had for - bid - den me; Where - fore I

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long - ing I lose, And now thou weep - est ther - fore, and now thou
should damn - èd be, If 'twere not thy weep - ing for, if 'twere not thy

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Burden (Chorus) - repeat after each verse

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weep - pest ther - fore. Lul - lay, lul - lay, lul - lay, lul -
weep - ing for.

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weep'st ther - fore. Lul - lay, lul - lay, lul -
weep - ing for.

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lay, lit - tle child, lit - tle child, Why weep - est thou? why weep - est
lay, lit - tle child, Why weep - est

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lay, lit - tle child,

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thou? why weep - est thou so sore? why weep - est thou so sore?
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Why weep - est thou so sore? why weep - est thou so sore?

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Verses 5-7

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5. Lul - lay for woe, lul - lay for woe, lul - lay for woe,
6. For man that thou hast, for man that thou hast, for man that thou hast,
7. That pain, that pain, that pain that makes

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thou lit - tle thing, Thou lit - tle ba - ron, thou lit - tle king; Man -
al - ways loved so, Yet shalt thou suf - fer pain more, In
us from sin free; That pain that brings Je - sus to thee; That

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kind is cause of thy mourn - ing, That thou hast loved be - fore, that
head in feet, in hands al - so, And yet weep well more, and
pain that helps us al - ways to flee The wick - ed fiend's lore, the

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thou hast lo - ved be - fore., yet weep well more.
wick - ed fiend's lore.

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