

THE LONG HOME (7 8.7 8.7 7.)

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The musical score is presented in three systems, each with a grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The first system consists of four measures. The second system consists of four measures. The third system consists of four measures, with the final measure containing the text 'A - men.' written below the notes.

- 1 Tender Shepherd, Thou hast stilled
Now Thy little lamb's brief weeping:
Ah, how peaceful, pale, and mild,
In its narrow bed 'tis sleeping!
And no sigh of anguish sore
Heaves that little bosom more.
- 2 In this world of care and pain,
Lord, Thou wouldst no longer leave it;
To the sunny heavenly plain
Thou dost now with joy receive it;
Clothed in robes of spotless white,
Now it dwells with Thee in light.
- 3 Ah, Lord Jesu, grant that we
Where it lives may soon be living,
And the lovely pastures see
That its heavenly food are giving;
Then the gain of death we prove,
Though Thou take what we most love. Amen.

Tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827 - 78.