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performance in 44 minutes.

PART ONE

THE PROPHETS AND THE PROPHECIES

No. 1. (a) "Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth: for the Lord hath spoken, I have nourished and brought up children, and they have rebelled against me.

The ox knoweth his owner, and the ass his master's crib: but Israel doth not know, my people doth not consider.

They have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger, they are gone away backward.

And the daughter of Zion is left as a cottage in a vineyard, as a lodge in a garden of cucumbers, as a besieged city."

(Isa. I: 2, 3, 4, 8.)

(b) "Now will I sing to my well-beloved a song of my beloved touching his vineyard. My well-beloved hath a vineyard in a very fruitful hill:

And he fenced it, and gathered the stones thereof, and planted the choicest vine: he looked that it should bring forth grapes, and it brought forth wild grapes.

What could have been done more to my vineyard."

(Isa. V: 1, 2, 4.)

(c) "Wash ye, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil;

Learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.

Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land:

Behold upon the mountains the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace! O Judah, keep thy solemn feasts, perform thy vows: for the wicked shall no more pass through thee; he is utterly cut off."

(Isa. I: 16, 17, 18, 19; Nahum I: 15.)

(d) "I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all countries whither I have driven them, and will bring them again to their folds;

I will set up shepherds over them which shall feed them; and they shall fear no more, neither be dismayed; neither shall they be lacking, saith the Lord."

(Jer. XXIII: 3, 4.)

No. 2. (a) "Break forth into joy, sing together, ye waste places of Jerusalem: for the Lord hath comforted his people, he hath redeemed Jerusalem.

The Lord hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God."

(Isa. LII: 9, 10.)

(b) "And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins.

The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together: and a little child shall lead them."

(Isa. XI: 5, 6.)

(c) "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord;"

(Isa. IX: 6—XI: 2.)

No. 3. (a) CONTEMPLATION—(Instrumental).

(b) "He shall feed his flock like a shepherd; he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young."

(Isa. XL: 11.)

(c) "Ye shall have a song, as in the night, when a holy solemnity is kept; and gladness of heart, as when one goeth with a pipe to come into the mountain of the Lord, to the mighty One of Israel."

(Isa. XXX: 29.)

(d) "And thou, Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel.

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.

And Joseph went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem,

To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

And she brought forth her first-born son, wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn."

(St. Matthew II: 6; St. Luke II: 1-7.)

(e) "O little town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie."

PART TWO
THE SHEPHERDS AND THE ANGELS
THE FULFILLMENT

No. 1. "Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest!"

(St. Matthew XXI: 9.)

No. 2. (a) "The Wise-Men came from the East that day,
They came to the place where Jesus lay:

Alleluia!

"Bearing gifts, kneeling low,
While the star hung all aglow:

Alleluia!

"Like them we follow the self-same way,
To bring our gifts this holy day:

Alleluia!

"Bearing gifts, kneeling low,
Led by the star of long ago:

Alleluia!"

(b) "There were shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid."

(St. Luke, II: 8, 9.)

(c) "And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for, I bring you good tidings of great joy.

For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

(St. Luke II: 10-14.)

(d) "And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

And they came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart."

(St. Luke II: 15-19)

THE FOLLOWERS OF THE STAR

THE COMPOSER'S FOREWORD TO THE INTERPRETERS

PART I—A prologue—outlining the recognition by God, the Father, of the necessity to substitute the humanity of his son for the more drastic appeal of the prophets if he would bring his children back to him; then the consequent prophecies and promises concerning his coming.

PART II—The fulfillment of the prophecies; the relation of all these things to us, and the final Amen! Alleluia! which we, as humble followers of the star, are privileged to add to the story of long ago.

This is not an "Oratorio" nor a "Cantata"—it is no thing so formal: the composer would call it a Choral Narrative of the longings of the Father-heart.

The intensely dramatic story underlying the text must control the musical interpretation, suggest the pauses and, in the end, produce the moods which "bring us into the picture" looking down upon that "little town" toward which prophecy so long pointed; wondering or rejoicing with the shepherds and, finally, adding our own "Amen! Alleluia!"

Therefore every member of the chorus, as well as the solo singer, must "tell the story." To be a good story-teller means, primarily, that one must REPRESS emphasis and be simple, when dealing with details, in order that the big climactic periods may be forceful of themselves, rather than made so by OVER-emphasis.

Musical expedients are always and only attempted in order to gain what the composer believes they may contribute to the effective telling of the story—but never for their own exploitation. His one idea is to leave, in the hearts of those who listen, a conviction that the simplicity, beauty and compelling love of the story "Concerning the Birth of the Good Shepherd" is still warm and human after more than twenty centuries.

The "parts" are divided into "numbers" (these latter often containing sub-divisions) defining the progress and the moods of the story. After each "number," therefore, a short silence should ensue: but nothing extraneous to the development of the story should be presented during these pauses. No story with a serious purpose should be so interrupted, and certainly not this story.

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(Isa. I: 2,3,4,8)

TENOR SOLO *mp*

Hear, O heav-ens, and give ear, O earth; —

Largo ($\text{♩} = 58$)

ORGAN

for — the Lord hath spo - ken; I have nour-ished and brought up

chil - dren, and they have re - belled a - gainst me. The —

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mp rit. 3

ox know-eth his own- er and the ass his mas - ter's crib: but

mp rit.

p

Is - ra-el doth not know, my— peo - ple doth not con -

bz.

accel.

sid - er. They have pro - vok - ed the Ho - ly One of

accel. 3

p.

Is - ra-el un - to an - ger, They are

ff

rit. *mf*

morendo

gone a-way back-ward. And the daughter of Zi-on is

morendo

left as a cot - tage in a vine - yard, As a

lodge in a gar - den of cu - cum - bers,

as a be - sieg - ed cit - y.

SOPRANO *mp*

Now will I sing to my well belov - ed,

ALTO *mp*

Now will I sing to my well belov - ed,

TENOR

Now,

BASS *mp*

Now,

(♩ = 58) *mp*

For rehearsal only

SOPRANO *mf*

now will I

ALTO *mf*

now will I

TENOR *mf*

now will I sing to my well belov - ed a

BASS *mf*

now sing a

mp SOLO

My

pp

sing.

sing of my be - lov - ed touch - ing his vine - yard.

sing of my be - lov - ed touch - ing his vine - yard.

pp

song.

well be - lov - ed hath a vine - yard in a ver - y fruit - ful

ORGAN

hill.

Now will I sing to my well belov-ed.

Now will I sing to my well belov-ed.

well be - lov - ed.

well be - lov - ed.

fenced it, and gath-ered the stones there-of, and plant-ed the choic-est vine.

mp

He look - ed that it should bring forth grapes, — and it

cresc.

mp

He look-ed that it should bring forth, bring forth grapes, and it

cresc.

mp

He look-ed that it should bring forth, bring forth grapes, and it

cresc.

mp

He look-ed that it should bring forth, bring forth grapes, and it

cresc.

mp

He look - ed it should bring forth grapes, and it

cresc.

f

brought forth, brought forth wild — grapes. — What

p

brought forth wild grapes. My well be-lov-ed, well be-lov -

p

brought forth wild grapes. My be-lov-ed, well be-lov -

p

brought forth wild grapes. My well be-lov-ed, well be-lov -

p

brought forth wild — grapes. — be-lov-ed, well be-lov -

mf

could have been done more _____ to my vine - yard.

ed, my well be - lov - ed, my well be-lov-ed.

ed, well be - lov - ed, my well be-lov-ed.

ed, well be - lov - ed, my well be-lov-ed.

ed, well be - lov - ed, be - lov - ed.

accel.

Now will I sing to my well be - lov - ed, my well be-lov-ed.

Now will I sing to my well be - lov - ed, my well be-lov-ed.

Now will I sing to my well be - lov - ed, my well be-lov-ed.

my be - lov - ed, well be-lov-ed.

accel.

(Isa. I: 16, 17, 18, 19)

CHORUS (*a cappella if desired*)

accel.

Wash ye, wash ye, make you clean; —

accel.

Wash ye, wash ye, wash ye, — make you clean; —

accel.

Wash ye, wash ye, — wash ye, — make you clean; —

accel.

Wash ye, wash ye, wash ye, make you clean; —

Doppio movimento (d=58)

f *accel.*

For rehearsal only

mf *rit.*

put a-way the e-vil of your do - ings from be - fore mine eyes;

mf *rit.*

put the e - vil do - ings from be - fore mine eyes;

mf *rit.*

put the e-vil of your do - ings from be - fore mine eyes;

mf *rit.*

put the e - vil do - ings from be - fore mine eyes;

mf

rit.

rit.

Cease to do e - vil; Learn to do well: Seek judg -
Cease to do e - vil; Learn to do well: Seek judg -
Cease to do e - vil; Learn to do well: Seek judg -
Cease to do e - vil; Learn to do well: Seek judg -

ritenuto

mp

pressed, judge the fa - ther-less, plead for the wid - ow.
ment, — judge the fa - ther-less, plead for the wid - ow.
ment, — judge the fa - ther-less, plead for the wid - ow.
ment, judge the fa - ther-less, plead for the wid - ow.

ritenuto

mp

QUARTET (*a capella*)

mp
piu lento

Come, come now, and

piu lento
mp

Come, come now, and

piu lento
mp

Come now, come now, come now, come now, and

piu lento
mp

Come, come now, come and

pia lento
mp

let us rea - son to - geth - er saith the Lord:

accel.

let us rea - son to - geth - er saith the Lord:

rit.

let us rea - son to - geth - er saith the Lord:

rit.

let us rea - son to - geth - er saith the Lord:

rit.

let us rea - son to - geth - er saith the Lord:

rit.

accel.

rit.

mf

though your sins be as scar - let,

though your sins be as scar - let,

though _____ your sins be as scar - let,

though your sins be as scar - let,

mf

sins be as scar - let,

f

they shall be white as snow,

they _____ shall be white, white as snow, white as snow,

they shall be white as snow,

they shall be white as snow,

f

ritenuto

though they be red like crim - son,— they shall be as wool.

ritenuto

though like crim - son,— they shall be as wool.

ritenuto

though they be red like crim - son, they shall be as wool.

ritenuto

though like crim - son,— they shall be as wool.

a tempo

If ye be will-ing and o - be-dient ye shall eat the good of the land.

a tempo

If ye be o - be-dient ye shall eat the good of the land.

a tempo

If ye be o - be-dient ye shall eat the good of the land.

a tempo

If ye be o - be-dient ye shall eat the good of the land.

a tempo

If ye be o - be-dient ye shall eat the good of the land.

a tempo
mp

Come, come now, and
Come, come now; and
Come now,— come now,— come now,— come and
Come, come now, come and

accel cresc.

let us reason together - er saith the Lord:
let us reason together - er saith the Lord:
let us reason together - er saith the Lord:
accel cresc.

mf

marcato

though your sins be as scar - let,

mf

marcato

though your sins be as scar - let,

mf

marcato

though _____ your _____ sins be as scar - let,

mf

marcato

though your sins be as scar - let,

f

they shall be white as snow, _____

f

they _____ shall be white, white as snow, white as snow,

f

they shall be white as snow, _____

f

they shall be white as snow, _____

ritenuto

mp

though they be red like crim - son,— they shall be as wool. —

ritenuto

mp

though like crim - son, they shall be as wool. —

riten.

ritenuto

mp

though they be red like crim - son,— they shall be as wool. —

ritenuto

mp

though like crim - son,— they shall be as wool. —

p.

mp ritenuto

rit.

though like crim - son,— they shall be as wool. —

(Nahum I: 15)
TUTTI

mf

Be - hold, up-on-the moun-tain, be - hold, up-on the moun-tain, the feet of

mf

Be - hold, be-hold,— be - hold, on the moun-tain, the feet of

mf

Be - hold, be-hold,— be - hold, on the moun-tain, the feet of

mf

Be - hold, be-hold,— be - hold, on the moun-tain, the feet of

d=100

mf

ORGAN

him that bring-eth good_ tid - ings, that pub - lish - eth
molto rit.

him that bring-eth good_ tid - ings, that pub - lish - eth,
molto rit.

him that bring-eth good_ tid - ings, that pub - lish - eth,
molto rit.

him that bring-eth good_ tid - ings, that pub - lish - eth,
molto rit.

him that bring-eth good_ tid - ings, that pub - lish - eth,
molto rit.

ff largando

peace. O — Ju - dah,

ff largando

pub - lish - eth peace... O — Ju - - - dah,—

ff largando

pub - lish - eth peace... O — Ju - - - dah,

ff largando

pub - lish - eth peace... O — Ju - - - dah,

(♩ = 76) *ff* largando

O Ju - dah,— Keep thy sol-emn feasts, per -

O Ju - dah,— Keep thy feasts, per -

O Ju - dah,— Keep thy sol-emn feasts, per -

O Ju - dah, Keep thy feasts, per -

(32 ft.)

form thy vows, for the wick - ed shall no more pass

form thy vows, for the wick - ed shall no more pass

form thy vows, for the wick - ed shall no more pass

form thy vows, for the wick - ed shall no more pass

accel.

accel.

accel.

accel.

rit.

through thee; he is ut - ter - ly cast off. O rit.

through thee; he is ut - ter - ly cast off. O rit.

through thee; he is ut - ter - ly cast off. O rit.

through thee; he is ut - ter - ly cast off. O rit.

ff *ancor rit.*

Ju - dah, O Ju - dah, Keep thy sol-emn vows.

ff *ancor rit.*

Ju - dah, O Ju - dah, Keep thy sol-emn vows.

ff *ancor rit.*

Ju - dah, O Ju - dah, Keep thy vows.

ff *ancor rit.*

Ju - dah, O All Trumpets Ju - dah, Keep thy vows.

ff *ancor rit.*

Recit. SOP.

I will gath - er the rem-nant of my flock out of all

(a little faster)

pp

rit.

coun - tries whith-er I have driv - en them, and will

(more slowly)
*gently**molto*

bring them a - gain to their folds: — will

(♩ = 56)
rit.

bring them a-gain to their folds.

p

rit.

SOLO SOPRANO AND CHORUS

SOP. *p* *mp* *rit.*

I will set up shep-herds, shep-herds which shall feed them.

ALTO *mp* *rit.*

I will set shep - herds, which shall feed them.

TENOR *p* *mp* *rit.*

I will set shep - herds, which shall feed them.

BASS *p* *mp* *rit.*

I will set shep - herds, which shall feed them.

(♩ = 88)

a tempo (simply)

p

I will set shep-herds o-ver them which shall feed them, they shall fear no more,

p

I will set shep - herds which shall feed them, nei-ther shall they

p

I will set shep - herds which shall feed them, nei-ther shall they

p

I will set shep - herds which shall feed them, nei-ther shall they

p

I will set shep - herds which shall feed them, nei-ther shall they

a tempo

(♩ = 72) *p (simply)*

nei-ther be dis - may - ed, for I will set up shep - herds,
a tempo

fear, nor be dis-may - ed, I will set up shep - herds,
a tempo

fear, nor be dis-may - ed, I will set up shep - herds,
a tempo

fear, nor be dis-may - ed, I will set up shep - herds,
a tempo

fear, shall they fear, shep - herds,

rit.

a tempo

set up shep-herds, *rit.*

I will set up - shep-herds, — set up shep - - herds,

I will set up - shep-herds, will set up shep-herds o-ver them, *rit.*

I will set up shep-herds, will set up shep-herds, — *rit.*

I will set up - shep-herds, will set up shep-herds, — *rit.*

I will set up shep-herds, shep-herds, will set up shep - - herds,

accel *p* *rit.*

Musical score for voice and piano, page 23, measures 1-8. The score consists of two systems. The top system has four staves: Treble, Bass, Alto, and Tenor. The lyrics are: "shall feed them.", "which shall feed them, shall feed them.", "which shall feed them, shall feed them.", "which shall feed them, which shall feed _____. rit." The bottom system has two staves: Treble and Bass. It features a piano part with various dynamics and a vocal line that continues the lyrics from the top system.

Continuation of the musical score for voice and piano, page 23, measures 9-16. The top system shows the vocal line continuing the lyrics from the previous system. The bottom system shows the piano part with dynamics and harmonic changes, including a forte dynamic (ff) and a piano dynamic (pp).

meno mosso

pp

And they shall fear no more, nei - ther be dis - may - ed,

pp *meno mosso*

They shall fear no more, nei - ther be dis - may - ed,

pp *meno mosso*

They shall fear no more, nei - ther be dis - may - ed,

pp *meno mosso*

They shall fear no more, nei - ther be dis - may - ed,

pp *meno mosso*

fear no more, nei - ther be dis - may - ed,

pp *meno mosso*

p

nei - ther shall they be lack - ing, saith the Lord. _____

pp a tempo

nei - ther shall be lack - ing, — saith the Lord. _____

p

nei - ther be lack - ing, — saith the Lord. _____

pp a tempo

nei - ther be lack - ing, saith the Lord. _____

p

nei - ther be lack - ing, saith the Lord. _____

pp a tempo

p

nei - ther be lack - ing, saith the Lord. _____

pp a tempo

(d=80)

(Isa. LII: 9,10)

f

Break forth in - to joy, break forth, break

Break forth in - to joy, break forth, sing

Break forth, break forth, — sing to - geth - er,

Break forth, sing to - geth - er,

forth in - to joy, break forth! Sing to - geth - er ye
 — to - geth - er, sing! Sing, sing,
 sing to - geth - er, sing, break forth! Sing to - geth - er,
 sing to - geth - er, sing, break forth! Sing to - geth - er, —

waste plac - es, Sing to - geth - er ye waste plac - es
 ye waste plac - es, Sing, sing, — waste plac - es
 waste plac - es, Sing to - geth - er, waste plac - es
 ye waste plac - es, Sing to - geth - er, — ye waste plac - es

of Je - ru - sa - lem: break forth, break

of Je - ru - sa - lem: break forth in - to joy, break

of Je - ru - sa - lem: break forth in - to joy, break

of Je - ru - sa - lem: break

in - to joy,

forth, sing,— break forth in - to joy, sing to - geth - er, sing,

forth, break forth, — sing to - geth - er, sing,

forth, sing,— break forth in - to joy, O sing, to - geth - er—

forth, break forth, — sing O sing, to - geth - er—

sing to - geth - er sing, break forth, ye waste plac -

sing to - geth - er sing, break forth, ye waste plac -

sing, break forth in - to joy, break forth, ye waste plac -

sing, break forth in - to joy, break forth, ye waste plac -

mf es, break forth in - to joy, break forth in - to

mf es, break forth in - to joy, break forth in - to

mf es, break forth in - to joy, break forth in - to

mf es, break forth in - to joy, break forth in - to

cresc.

joy, break forth in - to joy, ____ break
 joy, break forth in - to joy, break
 joy, ____ break forth in - to joy, break
 joy, ____ break forth in - to joy, break
 joy, ____ break forth in - to joy, break

ff rit.
 forth, ____ break forth in - to joy. ____
ff rit.
 forth, break forth in - to joy. ____
ff rit.
 forth, break forth in - to joy. ____
ff rit.
 forth, break forth in - to joy. ____

(♩ = ♪ of previous movement)

mf

Sing to - geth - er, sing to - geth - er, for the
 Sing to - geth - er, sing to - geth - er, for the
 Sing to - geth - er, sing to - geth - er, for the

mf

rit.

Lord hath com - fort - ed His peo - ple, Sing to -
 Lord hath com - fort - ed His peo - ple, Sing to -
 Lord hath com - fort - ed His peo - ple, Sing to -

rit.

cresc. accel.
 geth - er, sing to - geth - er, break forth in - to joy,— break
 cresc. accel.
 geth - er, sing to - geth - er, break forth in - to joy, break
 cresc. accel.
 geth - er, sing to - geth - er, break forth in - to joy,— break
 cresc. accel.
 geth - er, sing to - geth - er, break forth in - to joy,— break

cresc. accel.
 forth in - to joy. For the Lord, the
 ff forth in - to joy. The Lord, the
 ff forth in - to joy. The
 ff The Lord, the
 (a cappell.) Più lento

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Lord hath com - fort-ed His peo ple, the, Lord—the
 Lord, the Lord, the Lord, the Lord,—the
 Lord, the Lord, the Lord,—the Lord,—the
 Lord, the Lord, the Lord, the Lord, the

rit.
 Lord, hath re-deemed Je - ru - sa - lem.

rit.
 Lord hath re-deemed Je - ru - sa - lem.

accel. rit.
 Lord hath re-deem-ed, re - deem - ed Je - ru - sa - lem.

rit.
 Lord re-deemed Je - ru - sa - lem.

QUARTET (*a cappella*)

mp

For the Lord hath com - fort-ed His peo - ple,

mp

For the Lord hath com - fort-ed, hath com - fort-ed,

mp

For the Lord hath com - fort-ed, hath com - fort-ed, hath

mp

For the Lord hath com - fort-ed, com - fort-ed,

rit.

He hath re - deem - ed Je - ru - sa - lem, re - deem - ed Je - ru - sa - lem,

rit.

com - fort - ed, re - deem - ed Je - ru - sa - lem,

rit.

com - fort - ed, re - deem - ed, re - deem - ed Je - ru - sa - lem,

rit.

com - fort - ed, re - deem - ed Je - ru - sa - lem,

rit.

He hath made bare His ho - ly arm, in the

He made bare His ho - ly arm, in the

He hath made bare His ho - ly arm, in the

He hath made bare His arm, His ho - ly arm, in the

molto rit.

eyes, the eyes of all na - tions:

eyes,— the ey:s *molto rit.* of all na - tions:

eyes,— the eyes *molto rit.* of all na - tions: and

eyes, of all na - tions:

molto rit.

all ____ the ends of the earth _____ shall
ends of the earth _____ shall
all the ends of the earth, all the ends of the earth shall see the sal -
ends of the earth _____ shall

p.
mp rit.

see the sal - va - tion of our God.
see sal - - - - - va - - - - - tion.
va - tion of our God, the sal - va - tion of our God.
see sal - - - - - va - - - - - tion.

*Tempo primo*TUTTI *f*

Break

Break forth, break forth, break forth in - to joy, Sing! —

Break forth, — break forth, — O

Break forth, — break forth, — Sing! —

Break forth, — break forth, — O

Tempo primo

forth, — break forth!

cresc.

O sing!

sing — to - geth - er! Break forth, break forth, break

cresc.

Break forth, break forth, break

cresc.

sing — to - geth - er! O sing! —

cresc.

Sing! ————— Break forth, — break forth! —

(3)

forth in - to joy! Break forth, — break forth! —

(3)

forth in - to joy! Break forth, — break forth! —

(3)

Sing! ————— Break forth, — break forth! —

(3)

forth in - to joy! Break forth, — break forth! —

(3)

ff

mf

Sing to - geth - er, Sing to - geth - er,

mf

Sing to - geth - er, Sing, Sing, —

mf

Sing to - geth - er, Sing, — O sing — to - geth - er,

mf

Sing to - geth - er, Sing to - geth - er,

mf

Sing to - geth - er, Sing to - geth - er,

cresc.

Sing to - - geth - er ye waste plac - es

cresc.

Sing to - - geth - er Sing - O sing - to - - geth - er

cresc.

Sing to - - geth - er ye waste plac - es

cresc.

Sing to - - geth - er ye waste plac - es

rit.

of Je - ru - - - sa - - lem. *Pausa*

rit.

of Je - ru - sa lem. *Pausa*

rit.

of Je - ru - - - sa - - lem. *Pausa*

rit.

of Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - ru - - - sa - - lem. *Pausa*

rit.

Meno mosso

mf

He hath made bare His ho - ly arm, in the
He hath made bare His ho - ly arm, in the
His ho - ly arm, in the

Meno mosso (♩ = 66)

mf

eyes, the eyes of all na - tions. And
eyes, the eyes of all na - tions. And
eyes, the eyes of all na - tions. And

rit.

p

of all na - tions. And

rit.

p

na - tions. And

rit.

all — the ends of the earth rit.

all — the ends of the earth rit.

all — the ends of the earth rit.

Bassoon:

Percussion:

rit.

ancor rit.

shall see sal - va - - - tion. **c**

ancor rit.

shall see sal - va - - - tion. **c**

shall see sal - va - - - tion. **c**

ancor rit.

Percussion:

ancor rit.

(Isa. XI: 5,6)

Recit. CONTRALTO

p

And right - eous - ness shall

(♩ = 44) *p*

be the — gir - dle of his loins, and —

mp

faith - ful - ness, — faith - ful - ness the

mp

più lento

gir - dle of his reins.

più lento

poco a poco

The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the

poco a poco

leop - ard shall lie down with the kid: The

rit.

calf and the young li - on and the fat - ling to - geth - er: and a

*rit.**much more slowly
very gently*

lit - tle child shall lead

pp

them. —————

pp

(Isa. IX: 6, = XI: 2)

SOLO BARITONE AND CHORUS

(♩ = 66)

f

ff

BARITONE

mf

SOPRANO

For un - to us, —

Un - to us, —

ALTO

Un - to us, —

TENOR

Un - to us, —

BASS

Un - to us, —

f

a child is born,
 un - to us,
 un - to us,
 un - to us,

f

un - to us a son is giv -
 un - to us a son, a son is giv'n,
 un - to us a son, a son is giv'n,
 un - to us a son, a son is giv'n,

ff

en:

mp

accel.

his

un - to us, and the gov - ern - ment shall be up - on, shall

mp

accel.

un - to us, and the gov - - ern - ment shall

mp

accel.

un - to us, and the gov - ern - ment shall be up - on, shall

mp

accel.

and the gov - - ern - ment shall

mp

accel.

shoul - der:

ff

f

rit.

be on his shoul - der: and his name shall be call - ed

ff

f

rit.

be on his shoul - der: and his name shall be call - ed

ff

f

rit.

be on his shoul - der: and his name shall be call - ed

ff

f

rit.

be on his shoul - der: and his name shall be call - ed

ff

f

rit.

BARITONE

Won - der - ful, — Coun - sel -

Won - der - ful, — Won - der - ful, Coun - sel - lor, The

Won - der - ful, — Won - der - ful, Coun - sel - lor, The

Won - der - ful, — Won - der - ful, Coun - sel - lor, The

Won - der - ful, — Won - der - ful, Coun - sel - lor, The

lor, — The Might - y God.

Might - y, — Might - y God, The Ev - er - last - ing Fa - ther, The

Might - y, — Might - y God, The Ev - er - last - ing Fa - ther, The

Might - y, — Might - y God, The Ev - er - last - ing Fa - ther, The

SOLO SOPRANO

pp

morendo Won - der - ful, *mp* Coun - sel - lor,
pp

Prince _____ of Peace. — Won - der - ful, —
morendo *pp*

Prince _____ of Peace. — Won - der - ful, —
pp

Prince _____ of Peace. — Won - der - ful, —
morendo *pp*

Prince, the Prince of Peace. —

morendo *pp*

ff rit.

affrettando The Might - y God, *ff rit.* The Might - y God,
ff rit.

Won - der - ful, Coun - sel - lor, Might - y God, *ff rit.*

affrettando Won - der - ful, Coun - sel - lor, Might - y God, *ff rit.*

affrett. Won - der - ful, Coun - sel - lor, Might - y God, The Might - y God, *ff rit.*

affrettando Won - der - ful, Coun - sel - lor, Might - y God, The Might - y God, *ff rit.*

ff rit.

BARITONE

mf

For un - to us,—

Un - to us,—

Un - to us,—

f

Un - to us,—

f

Un - to us,—

a child is born,—

un - to us,—

un - to us,—

un - to us,—

f

un - to us,—

f

un - to us,—

f

un - to us a son is giv - - -
un - to us a son, — a son is giv'n,
un - to us a son, a son is giv'n,
un - to us a son, a son is giv'n,

en:

mp

accel.

his

un - to us, and the gov - ern - ment shall be up - on, shall
un - to us, and the gov - - - accel. - ern - ment shall
un - to us, and the gov - - - accel. - ern - ment shall
and the gov - - - accel. - ern - ment shall

shoul - der: *ff* *f* *rit.*

be on his shoul - der: and his name shall be call - ed

be on his shoul - der: *ff* *f* *rit.*

be on his shoul - der: *ff* *f* *rit.*

be on his shoul - der: and his name shall be call - ed

be on his shoul - der: and his name shall be call - ed

Won - der - ful, — Coun - sel -

mf

Won - der - ful, — Won - der - ful, Coun - sel - lor, The

mf

Won - der - ful, — Won - der - ful, Coun - sel - lor, The

mf

Won - der - ful, — Won - der - ful, Coun - sel - lor, The

mf

lor, — The Might - y God,
Might - y — Might - y God, The Ev - er - last - ing
Might - y — Might - y God, The Ev - er - last - ing
Might - y — Might - y God, The Ev - er - last - ing
Might - y — Might - y God, The Ev - er - last - ing

morendo pp
Fa - ther, The Prince of Peace. —
morendo pp
Fa - ther, The Prince of Peace. —
morendo pp
Fa - ther, The Prince of Peace. —
morendo pp
The Prince, the Prince of Peace. —

morendo pp

SOLO SOPRANO (*Quiet recitation*)

And the spir - it of the Lord shall be up - on him, the
(a cappella)

The spir - - - it of the Lord, the

The spir - - - it of the Lord, the

The spir - - - it of the Lord, the

*a little faster
do not drag
(a cappella)*

spir - it of wis - dom and un - der - stand - ing, the

spir - - - it of wis - dom,— the

spir - - - it of wis - dom,— the

spir - - - it of wis - dom,— the

rit. *mf*

spir - it of knowl - - - edge, and of the
 spir - it of knowl - edge, and of the
 spir - it of knowl - edge, and of the
 spir - it of knowl - edge, and of the
 spir - it of knowl - edge, and of the

rit.

morendo

fear *morendo* of the Lord.
 fear of the Lord, the fear.
 fear of the Lord, the fear.
 fear of the Lord, the fear.
 the fear of the Lord.

morendo

Always quietly

(♩ = 66)

MANUALS

PEDAL *pp*

1. (♩ = 66) *p*

2. *p*

3. *pp*

4. *p*

5. *p*

6. *p*

Musical score for piano, page 55, featuring four systems of music:

- System 1:** Starts with a forte dynamic (f). The melody is in the treble clef staff, and the bass clef staff provides harmonic support. The dynamic changes to piano (p) at the end of the system.
- System 2:** Starts with a piano dynamic (p). The melody continues in the treble clef staff, with slurs and triplets indicated above the notes. The bass clef staff provides harmonic support.
- System 3:** Continues the melodic line with slurs and triplets in the treble clef staff. The bass clef staff provides harmonic support.
- System 4:** Concludes with a piano dynamic (pp). The instruction "morendo" is written below the treble clef staff. The bass clef staff provides harmonic support.

Very gently

SOPRANO *pp*

He shall feed His flock, shall feed His flock, feed His flock,

ALTO *pp*

He shall feed His flock, shall feed His flock, feed His flock,

TENOR *pp*

He shall feed His flock, shall feed His flock, feed His flock,

BASS *pp*

He shall feed His flock, shall feed His flock, feed His flock,

Very gently (♩ = 72)
(a cappella)

He shall feed His flock, —

p *accel*

He shall feed His flock — like a shep-herd, like a —

accel

— He shall feed His flock, — shall feed His —

accel

— like a shep-herd, shall feed His —

rit.

accel

— like a shep-herd, He shall feed His —

rit.

accel

— like a shep-herd, feed His —

rit.

pp

shep - herd, and shall gath-er the lambs with His

pp

flock He _____ shall gath-er the lambs, —

pp

flock He _____ shall gath-er the lambs, —

pp

flock like a shep-herd, He _____ shall gath-er the lambs, —

pp

flock He _____ shall gath-er the lambs, —

8

pp

8 8 8

accel

arm, — He shall car - ry

accel

— He shall car - ry them in His bos - om, — shall

accel

— He shall car - ry them in His bos - om, — shall

accel

— He shall car - ry them in His bos - om, shall

accel

— He shall car - ry

accel

— He shall car - ry

more slowly

them in His bos - om, — and shall gen - tly
rit.
 car - ry them in His bos - om, — and shall gen - tly —
rit.
 car - ry them in His bos - om, — and gen - tly —
rit.
 car - ry them in His bos - om, — and shall gen - tly
rit.
 them in His bos - om, — gen - tly

(See Note)

*as softly as possible**pp*

lead, — gen - tly lead those that are with young.

pp

lead, — gen - tly, gen - tly lead those with young.

pp

lead, — gen - tly, gen - tly lead those with young.

pp

lead, — gen - tly lead those with young.

pp

lead, — those that are with young.

pp

tempo primo

pp

He shall feed His flock, shall feed His flock, feed His flock. *rit.*

pp

He shall feed His flock, shall feed His flock, feed His flock.

pp

He shall feed His flock, shall feed His flock, feed His flock.

pp

He shall feed His flock, shall feed His flock, feed His flock.

tempo primo

pp

He shall feed His flock. *rit.*

(Isa. XXX: 29)
CHORUS

SOPRANO

CONTRALTO

TENOR

BASS

ORGAN

(♩ = 96)

p

rit.

mp

Ye shall have a song —————— when a
 Ye —————— shall have a song as in the night, in ——————
 Ye shall have —————— a song as in the night, a ——————
 Ye shall have a song in the night, —————— in ——————

holy solemni - ty is kept; a

holy solemni - ty. Ye

song in the night. — Ye shall have a song in the

holy solemni - ty, shall have a song — Ye

accel.

song — when a

shall have a song as in the night, as in the night, a

night, a song in the night, as in the night, a

— shall have a song in the night, — a

mf

rit.

ho - ly so - lem - ni - ty is kept.

rit.

song in the night, in the night.

rit.

song in the night, in the night.

rit.

ho - ly so - lem - ni - ty, in the night.

rit.

Gradually increasing in intensity

And glad - ness of heart, — glad - ness of heart,

And glad - ness — of — heart, glad - ness of heart, —

And glad - ness — of — heart, glad - ness — of — heart,

Ye shall have a song, — ye shall have a song,

Gradually increasing in intensity

glad - ness of heart, — as when one go - eth with a
 glad - ness of heart, — as when one go - eth, —
 glad - ness of heart, — as when one go - eth,
 glad - ness of heart as when one go - eth

pipe to come to the moun - tain of the
 when one go - eth with a pipe to the moun - tain —
 when one go - eth with a pipe to the moun - tain
 with a pipe to the moun - tain

Lord, — to the Might - ; One of Is - ra - el, —
 ff

of the Lord, to the Might - y One of Is - ra - el, —
 ff

of the Lord, to the Might - y One of Is - ra - el, —
 ff

of the Lord, to the Might - y One of Is - ra - el, —
 ff

f more slowly

The Might - y One of Is - ra - el.

f

The Might - y One of Is - ra - el.

f

The Might - y One of Is - ra - el.

f more slowly

SOLO CONTRALTO

Ye shall have a song _____ shall have a
 Ye shall have a song, _____ Ye shall have a song,
 Ye shall have, have a song,
 Ye shall have a song, _____ Ye shall have a song,
 Ye shall have a song, _____
 Ye shall have have _____ a song,

(d. 69)

rit. song _____ as in the night, a
 rit. a song as in the night, p
 rit. ye shall have a song, a song
 rit. in the night, a
 rit. ye shall have a song, a song
 rit. in the night, a
 rit.

Largo

rit.

song as in the night, when a
ye shall have a song, a song, when a
song in the night, when so -
song, a song as in the night, when a
song in the night, when so -

Largo

rit. (♩ = 54)

ho - ly so - lem - ni - ty, is kept.
ho - ly so - lem - ni - ty, is kept.
lem - ni - ty, is kept.
ho - ly so - lem - ni - ty, is kept.
lem - ni - ty, is kept.

p

pp rit.

pp

pp

pp

pp

pp

Measures 67-68 of the musical score. The top staff shows two staves for the orchestra: treble and bass. The first measure starts with **p** *accel.*, followed by **rit.**, **accel.**, **mf**, and **rit.**. The second measure continues with **rit.**, **accel.**, **mf**, and **rit.**. The bottom staff shows the organ's bass line. Measure 68 begins with **morendo** (indicated by a shaded box), followed by **(Soft Trumpet)** and **pp**.

(St. Matthew II: 6.)

(St. Luke II: 1-8)

Quasi Recit.
SOPRANO

And thou, Beth - le - hem,

CONTRALTO

And thou, Beth - le - hem,

TENOR

And thou, Beth - le - hem,

BASS

ORGAN

Largo ($\text{♩} = 69$)**ff**

in the land of Ju - da, art not the least, — the least, the
 in the land of Ju - da, art not the least, — the least, the.
 thou Beth - le - hem, art not the least, the

least a-mong the princ-es of Ju - da: for out of thee shall come a
 least a-mong the princ-es of Ju - da: for out of thee shall come a
 least a-mong the princ-es of Ju - da: for out of thee shall come a

molto rit.

Gov - ern - or that shall rule my peo - ple Is ra - el. —

molto rit.

Gov - ern - or that shall rule my peo - ple Is - ra - el. —

molto rit.

Gov - ern - or that shall rule my peo - ple Is - ra - el. —

molto rit.

piu lento

p *mf*

Thou, Beth - le - hem, in the land of Ju - da, — art not the

piu lento *mf*

Thou, Beth - le - hem, Thou, Beth - le - hem, —

p *mf*

Thou, Beth - le - hem, Thou, Beth - le - hem, —

piu lento

p *mf*

mf

molto rit.

least, the least — a - mong the princ - es of

molto rit.

not the least — a - mong the princ - es, the

molto rit.

art not the least — a - mong the princ - es, the

molto rit.

art not the least — of

molto rit.

Ju - - da.

princ - es of Ju - da.

princ - es of Ju - da.

Ju - - da.

pp

Repressed
(♩ = 60) (Use a very soft Trumpet)

p

And it came to pass in those

p > > >

mf

days, that there went out a de-cree from Cae-sar Au -

rit. *f*

gus - tus, That all the world should be taxed. And

rit. *f*

mp quite simply

all went to be taxed, ev'ry-one in - to his own cit - y.

mp *rit.* *pp*

(♩ = 54) *sempre legato**pp*

And Jo - seph went up from Gal - i - lee,

And Jo - seph went up from Gal - i - lee,

And Jo - seph went up from Gal - i - lee,

(♩ = 54)

pp

out of the cit - y of Naz - a - reth,

out of the cit - y of Naz - a - reth,

out of the cit - y of Naz - a - reth,

p

pous - ed wife, be - ing great with

pous - ed wife, be - ing great with

pous - ed wife, be - ing great with

child. — And so it was, that while they were there, the

child. — And so it was, that while they were there, the

child. — And so it was, that while they were there, the

days were ac - com - plish - ed that she should be de
 rit.
 days were ac - com - plish - ed that she should be de -
 rit.
 days were ac - com - plish - ed that she should be de -
 rit.

piu lento (quietly)

liv - er - ed. And she brought forth her first-born son,
 pp 3
 liv - er - ed. And she brought forth her son,
 pp 3
 liv - er - ed. And she brought forth her first-born son,
 pp 3
 And she brought forth her son,
piu lento
 pp

ancor rit.

wrapped him in swad-dling clothes, laid him in a man - ger;
rit. wrapped him in swad-dling clothes, laid him in a man - ger;
rit. wrapped him in swad-dling clothes, laid him in a man - ger;
rit. wrapped him in swad-dling clothes, laid him in a man - ger; be -
ancor rit.

molto rit. *ono Voice* (no portamento) *pp*
 be-cause there was no room for them in the inn.
 be-cause there was no room for them in the inn.
 be-cause there was no room for them in the inn.
 cause there was no room for them in the inn.

molto rit.

subito

rit.

pp

ppp

In a mood of introspection (a cappella)

O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still, how

O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how

O lit - tle town,

O lit - tle town of Beth - le -

For rehearsal *p* only

how still, how still,
still, ————— *p* ————— more slowly
mp

still, ————— *p* —————
p

how still we see thee lie.
hem, ————— *p* ————— more slowly
mp

still, ————— *pp* —————
how still. —————
pp

we see thee lie, how still. —————
p ————— *pp* —————
we see thee lie, how still. —————
p ————— *pp* —————
how still, how still. —————
p ————— *pp* —————

"Blessed is He that cometh"

St. Matthew, XXI : 9

Largo with great tranquillity

The musical score consists of six staves. The top four staves represent vocal parts: Solo Soprano (G clef), Soprano (G clef), Contralto (G clef), and Tenor (F clef). The bottom two staves represent the Bass (F clef) and Organ (C clef). The score is set in common time (indicated by a '4'). The organ part begins with a dynamic of *mp*, followed by a ritardando (rit.). The vocal parts enter with a dynamic of *pp*. The lyrics for the organ part are:

Bless - ed is he that com - eth
Bless - - - - ed,
Bless - - - - ed,
Bless - - - - ed,
Pause until vibration ceases. Bless - - - - ed,

At the end of the score, there is a dynamic marking of *pp*.

in ——— the name, ——— in — the name, the
 bless - - - ed, ——— bless - - ed,
 bless - - - ed, ——— bless - - ed,
 bless-ed is he that com - eth, ——— bless - - ed,
 bless - - - ed, ——— bless - - ed,

name ——— of ——— the Lord,
 bless-ed is he, ——— he that com - eth, bless - - - ed,
 bless - - ed, ——— he that com - eth, bless-ed is he, ———
 bless - - ed, ——— bless - - ed, ——— bless - - - ed,
 bless - - ed, ——— bless - - ed, ——— bless - - - ed,

mf

8:

mp rit.
bless - ed, bless - - - ed.
mp rit. pp
bless - ed, bless - - - ed.
mp rit. pp
he that com - eth, bless - - - ed.
he com - eth, bless - - - ed.
mp rit. pp
bless - ed, bless - - - ed.

mp f
Ho - san - nal Ho - san - - na! Ho -
mp f
Ho - san - nal Ho - san - - na! Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na! Ho -
mp f
Ho - san - na! Ho - san - - na! Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na! Ho -
mp f
(d. = 76)
(d. = d of previous movement)
Ho - san - nal Ho - san - - na! Ho - san - na! Ho -

accel.

san - na! Ho - san - - na! _____ Ho - san - na in the
accel.

san - na! Ho - san - - na! _____ Ho - san - na in the
accel.

san - - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est, in the
accel.

san - - na _____ in _____ the

*accel.**ff*

high - - est. _____ Ho - san - na in the

high - - est. _____ Ho - san - na in the

high - - est. _____ Ho - san - na in the

high - - est. _____ Ho - san - na in the

*ff**mp*

Bless - - ed,
high - est! _____
Bless - ed is he,
high - est! _____
Bless - ed is he
high - est! _____
Bless - - ed _____
high - est! _____
Bless - - - -
more slowly
bless - - -
is he - that com -
more slowly
is he - that com - eth, bless - -
ed, - - -
bless - -
more slowly
8 8 8

(SOLO SOP.)

p rit.
 ed, — bless - ed, — bless - ed, — bless - ed,
 ed, — bless - ed is he, — he that
p rit.
 eth, — bless - - - ed he that
p rit.
 ed, — bless - - - ed he that
p rit.
 ed, — bless - - - ed he that

p rit.
 com - - eth.
pp
 com - - eth in the name of the
pp
 com - - eth.
pp
 com - - eth.

Solemnly - very intense - do not hurry
pp
 8

p ————— *mp* —————

Bless - ed ————— is — he, —————

p ————— *mp* —————

Lord, ————— bless - ed, —————

———— *mp* —————

bless - ed, —————

p —————

————

8 Much Faster

pp ————— *ff* —————

Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na!

———— Ho - san na! Ho - san - na! —————

pp ————— *ff* —————

Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na! bless -

pp ————— *ff* —————

Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na!

*(at once)**Much Faster*

ff —————

*more slowly**rit. dim.*

bless - ed, — dying away

bless - ed, —

*more slowly**rit. dim.*

bless - ed, — bless - ed,

- ed is he that com - eth in the name — of the

*more slowly**rit. dim.*

dying away

bless - ed, —

bless - ed is he that com - eth: —

bless - ed,

molto rit.

Lord, —

bless - ed is he that com - eth:

mp accel.

molto rit.

bless - ed is he that com - eth: —

mp accel.

molto rit.

pp

mp accel

molto rit.

pp

Bless - ed is he that com - eth — in ————— the

pp

Bless - - - ed, ————— bless - - -

pp

Bless - - - ed, ————— bless - - -

pp

Bless - - - ed, ————— blessed is he, that

pp

Bless - - - ed, ————— bless - - -

pp

Bless - - - ed, —————

mp

name, ————— in — the name, the name —————

mp

ed, ————— bless - - - ed, ————— blessed is he, —————

mp

ed, ————— bless - - - ed, ————— bless - - - ed,

mp

com - eth, ————— bless - - - ed, ————— bless - - - ed,

mp

ed, ————— bless - - - ed, ————— bless - - - ed,

mp

ed, —————

of the Lord,
he — that com - eth, bless - - - ed,
he — that com - *mf* eth, bless - ed is he,
bless - - - ed, bless - - - ed,
bless - - - ed, bless - - - ed,

rit. *pp*
bless - ed, bless - - - ed.
mp *rit.* *pp*
bless - ed, bless - - - ed.
mp *rit.* *pp*
he that com - eth, bless - - - ed.
mp *rit.* *pp*
he com - eth, bless - - - ed.
mp *rit.* *pp*
bless - ed, bless - - - ed.
mp *rit.* *pp*

rit.

Bless - ed, bless - ed, — bless - - - ed,
 Bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he, blessed is he that
 Bless - - ed, bless - - ed, — bless-ed is he, —
 Bless - - ed, bless - - ed, —

morendo

bless - - ed.
 bless - ed, bless - ed, — bless - ed.
 morendo bless - ed, — bless - ed.
 com - eth, bless - ed, bless - ed, bless - ed.
morendo

bless-ed is he that com - eth, bless - - - ed.
morendo bless - ed, bless - ed.
 ed, — bless - ed, — bless - - ed.

morendo

Note: In the last eight measures first the Contraltos, then Contralto and Tenors, then Tenors and First Bass and finally the Second Bass, carry the theme down to a pianissimo—all else must be subordinated—dying away 18471-164 into silence.

"The Wise-Men"

(♩ = 116)

Pausa

Strict time until last 4 measures

CONTRALTO

The Wise - Men came from the East that day, They

TENOR

The Wise - Men came, came that day, To the

BASS

The Wise - Men came, came that day, To the

mf

Note: This number may be omitted in which case go at once to Clarinet entrance at close of number.

came to the place where Je - sus lay; — Al - le
no rit.

place — where Je - sus lay; — Al - le
no rit.

place — where Je - sus lay; — Al - le
no rit.

dim.

lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

lu - - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

lu - - - ia! Al - le - - lu - ia!

in - u - en - do

*Steadily increasing to f***SOPRANO***very legato**p*

Bear-ing gifts, kneel-ing low, While the Star hung all a-glow:

CONTRALTO

Bear-ing gifts, kneel-ing low, While the Star hung all a-glow:

TENOR

Bear-ing gifts, kneel-ing low, While the Star hung all a-glow:

BASS*p Steadily increasing to f**Keep this soft*

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Like

Bear-ing gifts, kneel-ing low, Al - le - lu - ia!

kneel - ing low, Al - le - lu - ia! Like

Steadily decreasing to p

f

them we fol - low the self-same way, To bring our gifts this ho - ly day.

To bring gifts this ho - ly day.

them we fol - low the self-same way, To bring gifts this ho - ly day.

f

Steadily decreasing to p

no rit.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

no rit.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

no rit. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

no rit.

dim

- in - u - en - do

p Bear-ing gifts, kneel-ing low, Led by the star of long a - go.
p Bear-ing gifts, kneel-ing low, Led by the star of long a - go,
p Bear-ing gifts, kneel-ing low, Led by the star of long a - go,

p
mp
rit.

p
mp
rit.

p
mp
rit.

p
mp
rit.

mf Al - le - lu - ia!
mf Al - le - lu - ia!
mf Al - le - lu - ia!

mf Bear - ing gifts, kneel - ing low, Al - le - lu - ia!

mf Kneel - ing low, Al - le - lu - ia!

mf

mf morendo

Like the Wise - Men, — Like those Wise - Men of

mf morendo

Bear - ing gifts, kneel - ing low, Like those Wise - Men of

mf morendo

Bear - ing gifts, kneel - ing low, — Like those Wise - Men of

mf morendo

pp

long a - go. —

pp

long a - go. —

pp

long a - go. —

pp

(Clar.) (♩ = 92)



St. Luke, II: 8, 14

SOPRANO *Quietly*

There were shep-herds a - bid - ing in the field, keep - - -

CONTRALTO

mp

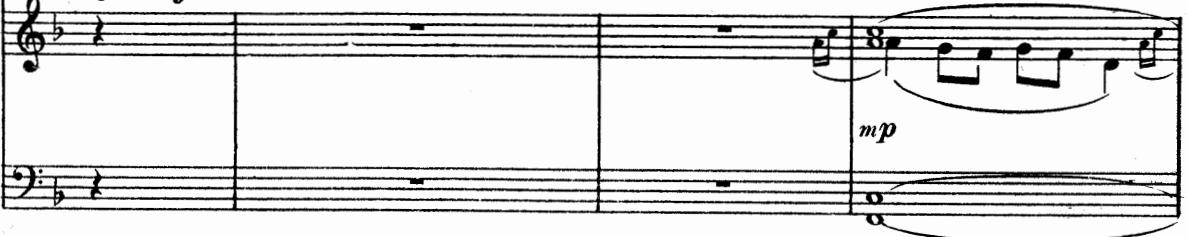
TENOR

Keep - ing - watch -

BASS

mp

Keep - - -

*Quietly**mp*

dim. rit.

And the

dim. rit.

And the

dim. rit.

And the

accel. *ff*

molto rit.

them,

accel.

mp *f* *ff*

— And the glo - ry of the Lord,— shone round a -
mp *f* *ff*

— And the glo - ry of the Lord.— shone round a -
mp *f* *ff*

— And the glo - ry of the Lord,— shone round a -
mp *f* *ff*

ff

bout them,
ff

bout them,
ff

bout them,
ff

ff *rit. marcato*

Pausa

p *mf* *p*

and they were sore — afraid.

Pausa

p *mf* *p*

and they were sore — afraid.

Pausa

p *mf* *p*

and they were sore — afraid.

Pausa

p *mf* *p*

and they were sore — afraid.

Pausa (*Let Alto and Bass tell it*)

(until vibration ceases) *p* *mf* *p*

Simply

mp

And the an - gel said un - to them, —

mp

And the an - gel said: —

mp

And the an - gel said: —

mp

Simply

mp

CONTRALTO SOLO

mp

"Fear not, fear not, for I
 * (♩ = 60)

mp

accel.

bring you good ti - dings, good ti - dings of -
accel.

rit.

great joy. For un - to

rit.

mp

you is born this day, in the

* NOTE: Clar. or Cello obbligato throughout number.

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cit - y of Da - vid, _____ a Sav - iour which is
 Christ the Lord. _____ Ye shall find the
 babe wrapped in swad - dling clothes,
 ly - ing in a man - - - ger?"
very gently
p
rit.
p.
rit.
p.
dying away
mp
mp
pp

God and say - ing: "Glo - ry to God in the
ff

God and say - ing: "Glo -
ff

God and say - ing: "Glo - ry to God in the

ff

"Glo -
($\text{d} = 84$)

ff

high - est,
ff

ry, Glo - ry to God on high,
ff

high - - - - est,
ff

ry, Glo - ry to God on high,
ff

Pausa
ff

until vibration ceases

mp and on earth peace, ————— *pp*

on earth peace, —————

mp on earth peace, ————— *pp*

on earth peace, —————

mp and on earth peace, ————— *pp*

on earth peace, —————

mp on earth peace, —————

on earth peace, ————— (let voices end in a sustained hum)

(Clar.) *p* (far away) *pp*

mp

pp

rit.

rit.

This musical score page contains six staves of music. The top four staves are for voices, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. The first three staves have a tempo of 6/4, while the fourth staff has a tempo of 2/4. The bottom two staves are for a bassoon, also with a treble clef and one sharp. The bassoon staves switch between 6/4 and 2/4 time signatures. The vocal parts sing the phrase "and on earth peace" three times, followed by a sustained hum. The clarinet part enters on the fourth staff, playing eighth-note patterns in 2/4 time at a piano dynamic. The score includes dynamic markings such as *mp*, *pp*, and *p*, as well as performance instructions like "(let voices end in a sustained hum)" and *rit.* (ritardando).

More Slowly

mp and on earth peace, — toward
p and on earth peace, — toward
p and on earth peace, — toward
p and on earth peace, — toward good-will, toward
mp and on earth peace, good will, — toward

More Slowly

men? —
 men? —
 men? —
 men? —
dying away

mp

And it came to pass as the an - gels were gone a -

mp

And it came to pass as the an - gels were gone a -

mp

And it came to pass as the an - gels were gone a -

mp

(d. = 56)

8:

mp

way from them in - to heav - - en, — The

way from them in - to heav - - en, — The

way from them in - to heav - - en, — The

f

f

f

f

f

f

f

f

More Slowly

mp

shep - herds said, one to an - oth - er,

mp

shep - herds said, one,

mp

shep - herds said, one,

mp

shep - herds said, one,

More Slowly

mp

one to an - oth - er:

rit.

one to an - oth - er:

Steadily increasing

Let us now go, — go un - to
 Let us now go, go un - to
 Let us now go, go un - to
 Let us now go, e - ven un - to
 (d = 54)

accel. cresc.
 Beth - le - hem, and see this thing which has
accel. cresc.
 Beth - le - hem, and see this thing, and
accel. cresc.
 Beth - le - hem, and let us now go, let us now go, and
accel. cresc.
 Beth - le - hem, — let us go, — — and
accel. cresc.

SOLO SOP.

rit. *f* Let us now
come to pass. — Let us now —
see to pass. Let us now —
which has come to pass. Let us now —
see this thing. Let us —

go, — let us now go — and see this
go, let us now go and see this —
go, let us now go and see this
now go, let us now go and see this —

cresc. rit.

which the Lord hath made known,

thing, the Lord made known, and

thing, the Lord made known, made known, and

thing, which the Lord hath made known, made known, and

thing, the Lord hath made known, and

cresc. rit.

much more slowly

see this thing which the Lord hath made known. And they

see this thing, this thing. And they

see this thing, this thing. And they

much more slowly which the Lord hath made known.

see this thing, this thing. And they

ancor rit.

came with haste and found Ma-ry, Jo - seph,— and the
came — and found Ma-ry, Jo - seph,— and the
came with haste and found Ma-ry, Jo - seph,— and the
came — and found Ma-ry and Jo - seph, the

(From this point ritard to end at $\text{♩} = 54$)

molto rit.

babe, ly - ing in a man - - - ger. —
babe,— ly - - - ing in a man - ger. —
babe, ly - - - ing in a man - ger. —
babe, the babe.

molto rit.

p

And when they had seen it, they
p
 And when they had seen it, they

(♩ = 60) *pp steadily increasing in intensity* *3*

PEDALS

made known a - broad the say - ing which was told them con -
 made known a - broad the say - ing which was told them con -

Note:- No concrete directions are practical for this number. It is an epitome of the bells of two thousand Christmases greeting that word the shepherds "made known abroad concerning this child."
Use all your resources to build up the effect of the bells of ages—rising to a crashing climax and then dying away into the soft organ point of the great out-doors. Use even the church-bell (at the apex of the crescendo) if possible.

accel.

cern - ing this child, this child.

cern - ing this child, this child.

Con - cern - ing this

Con - cern - ing this

> accel.

f rit.

p p σ

mf

And mf

And mf

child. And

child. And

accel. cresc. ff p mf

accel. cresc. ff mf

accel. cresc. ff mf

p p σ

(dim. and rit. to end at ♩ : 46)

rit. *(3)*

all they that heard it — won - - - dered at those

rit. *(3)*

all they that heard it — won - - - dered at those

rit. *(3)*

all they that heard it — won - - - dered at those

rit. *(3)*

(Steadily decresc. and ritard from here to end at $\text{♩} = 46$)

ff

ff

ff

ff

things which were told them by the shep - herds.

things which were told them by the shep - herds. **SOLO CONT.**

things which were told them by the shep - herds.

things which were told them by the shep - herds.

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Ma - - - ry— kept all these things and

pon - dered them, pon-dered them in her heart.

(d = 46)

“And the Shepherds returned”

(A Choral Duet)

St. Luke II: 20.

Ps. IX: 1, 2.

Ps. LXV: 11, 13.

The musical score is composed of three systems of music, each featuring two staves (treble and bass) and a key signature of A major (three sharps). The tempo is marked as $(\text{♩} = 72)$.

- System 1:** Starts with a dynamic of *mp*. It includes performance instructions such as *accel.* (accelerando) and *morendo* (gradually fading away).
- System 2:** Continues the *morendo* marking from the previous system.
- System 3:** Concludes with a dynamic of *pp* (pianissimo).

WOMEN

And the shep - herds re-turn - ed, prais - ing God,

And the shep - herds re - turn - ed, - prais - ing God, -

MEN

mp

cresc. accel. prais - ing, glo - ri - fy - ing, glo - ri - fy - ing, glo - ri - fy - ing

prais-ing and glo - ri - fy - ing, glo - ri - fy - ing, glo - ri - fy - ing

*cresc. accel.**rit.*

God.

God.

mf more slowly

I will praise Thee, O Lord, with my whole my whole

I more slowly

mf

acc.

Glo - ri - fy - ing, prais - ing God, — prais - ing God, —

Glo - ri - fy - ing God, — prais - ing God,

heart. I will be glad and re -

(semi-staccato)

accel.

legato

(sempre staccato 8 ft. Ped.) (legato)

rit.

prais - - ing Thee, — prais - ing God; — the

oice — in Thee, — Thou Most

oice, re - joice in Thee, — Thou Most

p rit.

mp f rit.

shep-herds re-turn - ed glo - ri - fy - ing and prais - ing God — for

shep - - herds glo - ri - fy - ing God — for

High.

rit.

molto rit.

all things they had heard and seen.

all things they had heard _____ and seen.

mp

Thou

molto rit.

(Octave lower)

mp

with Thy

crown-est the year with good-ness, Thy paths drop fat-ness. The

with Thy

mp

cresc. accel.
 pas - tures are cloth-ed with flocks, The val - - leys are
rit. dim.

The pas - tures are cloth-ed with flocks, The val - leys are

cresc. accel.
rit. dim.

The

accel.
rit.
 cov-ered o-ver with corn, they al-so sing, they shout for joy.—
 cov - ered with

accel.
rit.

ff broadly

shep - herds re - turn - ed prais - ing God, prais - ing,

Shout - for joy, praise - God, mag - ni -
prais - ing,

(♩ = 80)
(as written) *broadly* mag - ni -

ff

mag - ni - fy - ing God. Glo - ri - fy - ing and
prais - ing God.

fy - - ing God.
mag - ni - fy - ing God.

fy - - ing God.

ff

prais - ing God.

rit. dim.

mf I will praise the Lord,
I will praise Thee, O Lord,
will praise the Lord,

rit. dim.

SOPRANO *Largo*

Mag - ni - fy - ing, prais - ing, glo - ri - fy - ing

CONTRALTO

TENOR

BASS

I will praise Thee, praise and glo - ri - fy, —

Largo

WOMEN
MEN

God.

I will praise Thee, O Lord, —— praise Thee.

will—

O Lord,— will— praise Thee..

p steadily increasing

I will praise Thy name with my

p

I will praise Thee, praise Thy name, O Lord,

p

I will—

*steadily increasing**p*

whole — heart. And the

praise Thee with my whole heart. And the

shep-herds re-turn-ed, glo - ri - fy-ing and prais - ing Thee.

shep-herds re-turn-ed, glo - ri - fy-ing and prais - ing Thee.

SOPRANO *Largo assai*

CONTRALTO

TENOR

BASS

(♩ = 76) *Largo assai*

whole — heart, my whole — heart.

with my whole — heart.

whole — heart, my whole — heart.

whole — heart, with my whole — heart.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

Ale lu ia! A - men! A -

A

Ale lu ia! A - men! Ale lu ia!

Ale lu ia! A - men! A -

** (♩ = 72)*

Ale lu ia! A - men! A -

Ale lu ia! A -

Ale lu ia! A -

A - men! Ale lu ia! A - men!

A - men! A - men! Ale lu ia! A - men!

Ale lu ia! A -

Ale lu ia! A -

* Note quietly build up - never hurry
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men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - - men! A -

men!

A - men, Al - le - lu - ia! A - - men!

A - - men! A -

men! A -

molto rit.

men! A -

molto rit.

men! A -

molto rit.

- men! Al - le - lu - ia! A -

-

A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

- men!

fff

A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

fff

fff

- men!

fff

fff

fff

men!

a tempo

I will praise Thee, O my God,

mf

O God, with my

a tempo (*octave lower*)

whole heart, With my whole heart.

rit.

mp

pp

rit.

mp

pp

“The Desert shall Blossom as the Rose”

Isa. XXXV: 1,8,10.

QUARTET

SOPRANO CONTRALTO TENOR BASS

(♩ = 104)

p *mf* *rit.*

The wil - der - ness and the sol - i - ta - ry place shall be

The wil - der - ness, the wil - der - ness shall be

The wil - der - ness, the wil - der - ness shall be

The wil - der - ness, the wil - der - ness shall be

mf

glad; shall be glad,

mf

glad; shall be

mf

glad; and re - joice, shall be

mf

glad; be glad and re - joice, be

Piu lento

mp

— and the des - ert shall blos - som as the

mp

glad, the des - ert,

mp

glad, the des - ert,

mp

glad, the des - ert,

Piu lento

mp

rose, shall
 the
 shall blos - som as the rose, the
 shall blos - som as the rose, shall
 f:
 blos - - - som, blos - - - som, The -
 wil - der - ness shall blos - som, blos - - - som, shall
 wil - der - ness shall blos - som, blos - som as the rose, shall -
 blos - - - som, shall blos - som as the rose, shall
 f:

accel.

des - ert shall blos - som as the rose, as the rose...

blos - - - som, as the rose.

blos - - - som, as the rose.

blos - - - som, as the rose.

accel.

Piu lento

p

The wil - der - ness and the sol - i - ta - ry place, shall re -

The sol - i - ta - ry place,

The sol - i - ta - ry place,

The sol - i - ta - ry place,

Piu lento

p

f

joice, _____ shall blos - som, shall

the wil - der - ness shall _____

the wil - der - ness shall _____

the wil - der - ness shall

mp slowly

blos - som, shall blos - som as the rose.

blos - som, shall blos - som.

blos - som, shall blos - som.

blos - som, shall blos - som.

mp slowly

mp

A high-way shall be there, a high-way shall be there, the

mp

A high-way shall be there, a high-way shall be there, the

mp

A high - - way, a high - - way of

mp

A high - - way, ————— a.

(♩ = 96)

molto rit.

way of ho - li - ness, of ho - - - li

way of ho - li - ness, of ho - - - li -

ho - - - li - ness, The way of ho - - - li -

way, the way of ho - li - ness. —————

molto rit.

pp

a tempo
more quietly

ness. _____ A high-way shall be there,
a tempo
ness. _____ A high-way shall be there, a
a tempo
ness. _____ A high - - - way, a
a tempo
_____ A high - - - way, _____
a tempo
p more quietly

high-way shall be there, the way of ho - li -
rit.
high-way shall be there, the way of ho - li -
rit.
high - - - way of ho - - - - li -
rit.
a way, the
morendo
rit.

ness, a way.

ness, the way of ho - li - ness.

ness, the way, a way.

way of ho - li - ness.

And it shall be called the way of ho - li - ness.

The way, the way of ho - li - ness.

The way of ho - li - ness.

The way of ho - li - ness.

Tempo primo

And the ran - somed of the Lord shall re - turn and come to -

And the ran - somed, of the

And the ran - somed, of the

And the ran - somed, of the

Tempo primo

Zi - on with songs of ev - er - last - ing

Lord, with songs of ev - er - last - ing

Lord, with songs of joy.

Lord, with songs of joy.

molto rit.

mf rit.

joy. And sor - row and sigh - ing shall

joy. shall _____

shall _____

shall _____

flee a - way.

flee, flee a - way.

flee, flee a - way.

flee, flee a - way.

The wil - der - ness and the sol - i - ta - ry place shall be
The wil - der - ness, the wil - der - ness shall be
The wil - der - ness, the wil - der - ness shall be
The wil - der - ness, the wil - der - ness shall be
The wil - der - ness, the wil - der - ness shall be
glad; shall be glad, and the
glad; shall be glad,
glad; and re - joice, shall be glad,
glad; be glad and re - joice, be glad,

Piu lento
mp

ed.

des - ert shall blos - som as the rose, shall

the des - ert, the

the des - ert shall blos - som as the rose, the

the des - ert shall blos - som as the rose, shall

p

blos - - - som, blos - - - som, the -

p

wil - der - ness shall blos - som, blos - - - som, shall

p

wil - der - ness shall blos - som, blos - som as the rose, shall -

p

blos - - - som, shall blos - som as the rose, shall

p

accel.

des - ert shall blos-som as the rose, as the rose...
blos - som, as the rose.
blos - som, as the rose.
blos - som, as the rose.

Piu lento

p

accel.

The wil - der - ness and the sol - i - ta - ry place, shall re -
The sol - i - ta - ry place,
The sol - i - ta - ry place,
The sol - i - ta - ry place,

Piu lento

p

accel.

The sol - i - ta - ry place,

f
 joyce, shall blos - som, shall
 f the wil - der - ness shall
 f the wil - der - ness shall
 f the wil - der - ness shall
 f
 slowly ff rit.
 blos - som, shall blos - som as the rose.
 mfp blos - som, shall blos - som.
 mfp blos - som, shall blos - som.
 p blos - som, blos - - - - som.
 p mp slowly

Amen! Alleluia!

(♩ = 104)

mf

Un - to - us, — a child is born:

Un - to - us, — a child is born:

Un - to - us, — a child is born:

f

f

f

f

Unto us, a Son is
Unto us, a Son is
Unto us a Son,
Unto us, a

cresc.

giv'n. Al - le - lu - ia! *cresc.*
giv'n. Al - le - lu - ia! *cresc.*
Un - to us, a Son. Al - le - lu - ia!

cresc.

Son. A - men! Al - le - lu - ia!

cresc.

A - men! A - - - men!

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - - - men!

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Adagio molto

ff

Un - to - us, a - child is born.

ff

Un - to - us, a child, a - child is born.

ff

A - - - men! A - men! A - men!

ff

Un - to - us, a - child, a - child is born.

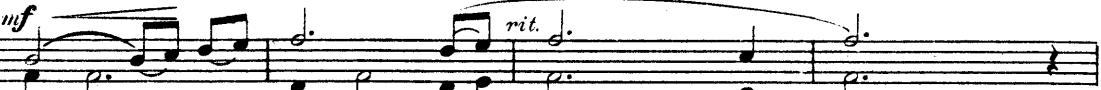
Adagio molto

ff

(Ped. 16)

a tempo

Un - to us a Son is giv'n



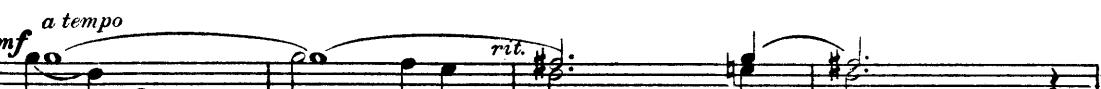
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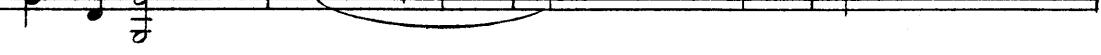
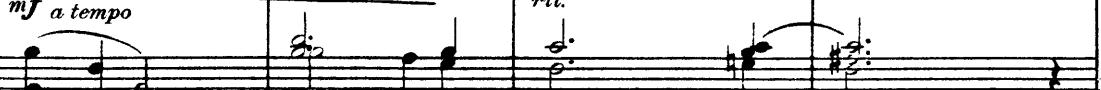
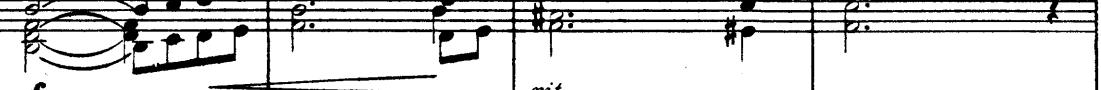
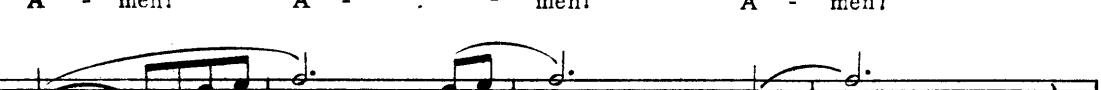
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A - men! A - men! A - men! A - men!



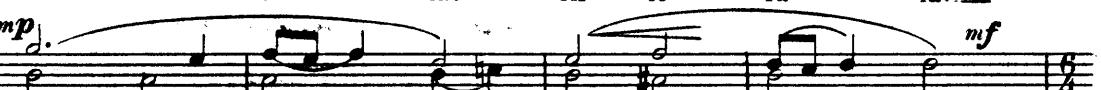
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*mp*

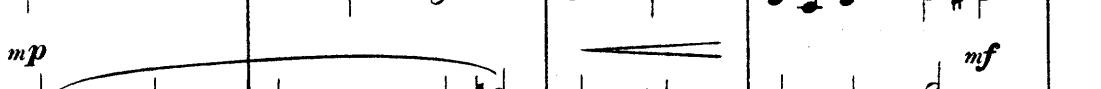
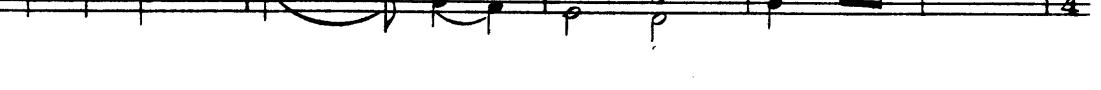
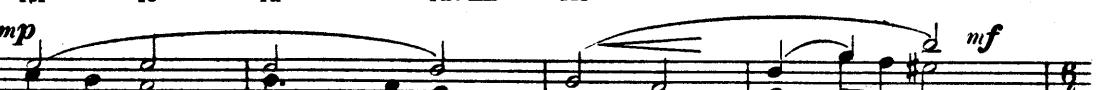
Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia!



A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! A -

mp

A - men! A - - - men! Al - le - lu - ia -

mp

A - men! A - - - men! Al - le - lu - ia!

mp

A - men! A - - - men! Al - le - lu - ia!

mp

Steadily increasing in intensity

men! — A - men! A - men! Al - le - lu - -

mp

— A - men! A - men! A - - -

— A - men! A - men! A - - -

— A - men! A - men! A - - -

— A - men! A - men! A - - -

— A - men! A - men! A - - -

- ia! A - men! A - men!

men! Al - le - lu - ia! —

men! Al - le - lu - ia! —

men! Al - le - lu - ia! —

men! Al - le - lu - ia! —

A - men!

accel.

ial A - men! — Al - le - lu - ia!

accel.

ial A - men! — Al - le - lu - ia!

accel.

ial A - men! — Al - le - lu - ia!

accel.

ia! A - — — —

accel.

rit.

A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

rit.

A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

rit.

A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

rit.

men! A - men! A - men! A - men!

Adagio
SOLO SOP.

ff

A - - - men! A -

Adagio
(♩ = 60)

ff

Trumpets

ff

men! A - - - men!

men! A - men! A - - - men!

men! A - men! A - - - men!

men!

A - - - men!

A - men!

A - men!

A - - - men!

A - men!

A - - - men!

fff

fff

fff

fff