

Commissioned by the Schola Cantorum of The Cardinal Vaughan Memorial School

The Christmas Night

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Flowing $\text{♩} = 50$

p (Orchestra solo)

mp

Alto

Wrapped was the world in slum-ber deep, by sea-ward val-ley and ce-darn steep, and

*Piano

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bright and blest were the dreams of its sleep; all the hours of that won-der-ful

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S.

(Tutti) *p* The stars out bloss-omed in fields of blue a hea-ven-ly chap-let, to

A.

night-tide through, The stars out bloss-omed in fields of blue a hea-ven-ly chap-let, to

T.

The stars out bloss-omed in fields of blue a hea-ven-ly chap-let, to

B.

The stars out bloss-omed in fields of blue a hea-ven-ly chap-let, to

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12 *mf* ✓

di-ad-em the King, the King in the man-ger, man-ger of Beth - le - hem,

mf

di-ad-em the King, the King in the man-ger, man-ger of Beth - le - hem, of Beth - le -

mf ✓

di-ad-em the King, the King in the man-ger, man-ger of Beth - le - hem, of Beth - le -

mf ✓

di-ad-em the King, the King in the man-ger, man-ger of Beth - le - hem, of Beth - le -

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16 *mp*

of Beth - le - hem.

mp

-hem, of Beth - le - hem, of Beth - le - hem. *mp* Out on the hills the

mp *p*

-hem, of Beth - le - hem, of Beth - le - hem. Ah

mp *p*

-hem, of Beth - le - hem, of Beth - le - hem. Ah

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p *mp*

Ah hum-ble and clean of

shep-herds lay, wake-ful, that ne-ver a lamb might stray, hum-ble and clean of

Ah Ah

Ah Ah

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cresc.

heart were they; thus it was gi - ven them to hear mar - vel-lous harp - ings

heart were they; thus it was gi - ven them to hear mar - vel-lous harp - ings

Ah mar - vel-lous harp - ings

Ah mar - vel-lous harp - ings

cresc.

cresc.

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strange and clear, thus it was gi - ven them to see, to see the he - ralds

strange and clear, thus it was gi - ven them to see, to see the he - ralds

strange and clear, thus it was gi - ven them to see, to see the he - ralds

strange and clear, thus it was gi - ven them to see, to see the he - ralds

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of the Na - ti - vi - ty, Na - ti - vi - ty.

of the Na - ti - vi - ty, Na - ti - vi - ty, Na - ti - vi - ty, Na - ti - vi -

of the Na - ti - vi - ty, Na - ti - vi - ty, Na - ti - vi - ty, Na - ti - vi -

of the Na - ti - vi - ty, Na - ti - vi - ty, Na - ti - vi - ty, Na - ti - vi -

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p

Ah Ah

- ty. Ah Ah

p

- ty. Ah Ah

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- ty. In the dim-lit sta-ble the mo-ther mild looked with ho-ly

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Ah Ah

Ah Ah

Ah Ah

eyes on her child, cra-dled him close to her heart and smiled; King-ly pur-ple nor

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44 *cresc.*

ne - ver a trap-ping of roy - al - ty; but Ma - ry saw that the

cresc.

ne - ver a trap-ping of roy - al - ty; but Ma - ry saw that the

cresc.

ne - ver a trap-ping of roy - al - ty; but Ma - ry saw that the

cresc.

crown had be - ne - ver a trap-ping of roy - al - ty; but Ma - ry saw that the

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ba - by's head with a slen - der nim-bus was gar - land - ed,

f ✓

ba - by's head with a slen - der nim-bus was gar - land - ed, was gar - land -

f ✓

ba - by's head with a slen - der nim-bus was gar - land - ed, was gar - land -

f ✓

ba - by's head with a slen - der nim-bus was gar - land - ed, was gar - land -

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mp was gar - land - ed. *f* Speech-less her joy as she

mp - ed, was gar - land - ed, was gar - land - ed. *f* Speech-less her joy as she

mp - ed, was gar - land - ed, was gar - land - ed. *f* Speech-less her joy as she

mp - ed, was gar - land - ed, was gar - land - ed. *f* Speech-less her joy as she

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watched him there, for - get - ful of pain and grief and care, and

watched him there, for - get - ful of pain and grief and care, and

watched him there, for - get - ful of pain and grief and care, and

watched him there, for - get - ful of pain and grief and care, and

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e - very thought in her soul was a prayer; while un - der the dome of the

e - very thought in her soul was a prayer; while un - der the dome of the

e - very thought in her soul was a prayer; while un - der the dome of the

e - very thought in her soul was a prayer; while un - der the dome of the

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sub. p de - sert sky the Kings of the East from a - far drew nigh, and the *cresc.*

sub. p de - sert sky the Kings of the East from a - far drew nigh, and the *cresc.*

sub. p de - sert sky the Kings of the East from a - far drew nigh, and the *cresc.*

sub. p de - sert sky the Kings of the East from a - far drew nigh, and the *cresc.*

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great white star that was guide to them kept ward o'er the man - ger of Beth - le -

great white star that was guide to them kept ward o'er the man - ger, man - ger of Beth - le -

great white star that was guide to them kept ward o'er the man - ger, man - ger of Beth - le -

great white star that was guide to them kept ward o'er the man - ger, man - ger of Beth - le -

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- hem, of Beth - le - hem, Beth - le - hem.

- hem, of Beth - le - hem, of Beth - le - hem, of Beth - le - hem, Beth - le - hem.

- hem, of Beth - le - hem, of Beth - le - hem, of Beth - le - hem, Beth - le - hem.

- hem, of Beth - le - hem, of Beth - le - hem, of Beth - le - hem, Beth - le - hem.

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