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A Mother's Lullaby

SATB choir & piano/organ



For James Recknell and the Carols Choir of Culford School

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for Choir and Piano/Organ

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♩ = 120

SOPRANO *f*
Who has come to vi - sit the Ba - by?

ALTO *mp cresc. mf*
Who has come to vi - sit the Ba - by?

TENOR *mp cresc. mf*
Who has come to vi - sit the Ba - by?

BASS *mp cresc. mf*
Who has come to vi - sit the Ba - by?

Piano *mf cresc. f mp cresc. mf*

5

S. *mp cresc. mf* *div.* Who has come to wor-ship the King?_ *tutti* Shep-herds ar-ive, in - vi-ted by an-gels To *f*

A. *mp cresc. mf* Who has come to wor-ship the King?_ Shep - herds in - vi - ted To *f*

T. *mp cresc. mf* Who has come to wor-ship the King?_ Shep - herds in - vi - ted To *f*

B. *mp cresc. mf* Who has come to wor-ship the King?_ Shep - herds in - vi - ted To *f*

Pno. *mp cresc. f*

9

S. *mf*
bring Him their pre-sents, to play and to sing. But

A.
bring Him their pre-sents, to play and to sing.

T.
bring Him their pre-sents, to play and to sing.

B.
bring Him their pre-sents, to play and to sing.

Pno. *mf* *dim.* *p*



11 ♩ = 100

S. *mf*
Ma - ry, His mo - ther, ten - der-ly wat - ches, Ga - zes at

A. *mf*
Ma - ry, His mo - ther, ten - der-ly wat - ches, Ga - zes at

T. *mf*
Ma - ry, His mo - ther, ten - der-ly wat - ches, Ga - zes at

B. *mf*
Ma - ry, His mo - ther, ten - der-ly wat - ches, Ga - zes at

Pno. *mp* *poco cresc.* *dim.*

16

S. all things, gen - tly a - part. She smiles at the shep - herds, their

A. all things, gen - tly a - part. *mp* *Mmm.* *Mmm.*

T. all things, gen - tly a - part. *mp* *Mmm.* *Mmm.*

B. all things, gen - tly a - part. *mp* *Mmm.* *Mmm.*

Pno.

21

S. *dim.* pre - sents and prai - ses, *mp* And pon - ders, pon - ders, pon - ders all things in her

A. *p* Pon - ders, pon - ders. *Mmm.*

T. *p* Pon - ders, pon - ders. *Mmm.*

B. *p* Pon - ders, pon - ders. *Mmm.*

Pno.

B

27 ♩ = 120

S. heart.

A.

T. *f* Who has come to wor - ship the Ba - by?

B. *f* Who has come to wor - ship the Ba - by?

Pno. *mp.* *cresc.* *mf*



B

31 ♩ = 120

S. *f* Ah. _____

A.

T. Who has come from coun-tries a - far?_ Wise Men have come, bear-ing

B. Who has come from coun-tries a - far?_

Pno. *mp.* *cresc.* *f*

34

S. *mf*
Ah. To Beth - le-hem drawn by the light of a star. But

A.

T. gifts full of mea - ning; To Beth - le-hem drawn by the light of a star.

B. *8va*

Pno. *mf* *p*

C

37 ♩ = 100

S. *mp*
Ma - ry, His mo - ther, ten - der - ly wat - ches, Ga - zes at all things,

A. *mp*
Ma - ry, His mo - ther, ten - der - ly wat - ches, Ga - zes at all things,

T. *mp*
Ma - ry, His mo - ther, ten - der - ly wat - ches, Ga - zes at all things,

B. *mp*
Ma - ry, His mo - ther, ten - der - ly wat - ches, Ga - zes at all things,

Pno. *mp* *poco cresc.* *dim.*

43

S. gen - tly a - part. She smiles at the Wise Men, their pre - sents and

A. gen - tly a - part. *mp* *Mmm.* *Mmm.*

T. gen - tly a - part. *mp* *Mmm.* *Mmm.*

B. gen - tly a - part. *mp* *Mmm.* *Mmm.*

Pno.

48

S. prai - ses, And pon - ders, *mp* pon - ders, *p* pon - ders all things in her

A. *p* Pon - ders, pon - ders. *Mmm.*

T. *p* Pon - ders, pon - ders. *Mmm.*

B. *p* Pon - ders, pon - ders. *Mmm.*

Pno.

53 ♩ = 120

D *f*

S. heart. Who will come to

A. Who will come to

T. Who will come to

B. Who will come to

D

Pno. *mp* *cresc.* *mf*

56

S. greet the Re-dee - mer? Who will come to wor-ship God's Son?

A. greet the Re - dee - mer? Who will come to wor-ship God's Son?

T. greet the Re - dee - mer? Who will come to wor-ship God's Son?

B. greet the Re - dee - mer? Who will come to wor-ship God's Son?

Pno. *f* *mp* *cresc.* *f*

59

S. *ff*
All are in - vi - ted to pray to the Sa - viour, And of - fer their hearts to the

A. *ff*
All are in - vi - ted; And of - fer their hearts to the

T. *ff*
All are in - vi - ted; And of - fer their hearts to the

B. *ff*
All are in - vi - ted; And of - fer their hearts to the

Pno.



62

S. *mf* **E** ♩ = 100
Lord's Ho - ly One. But Ma - ry, His mo - ther, ten - der - ly

A. *mp*
Lord's Ho - ly One. Ma - ry, His mo - ther, ten - der - ly

T. *mp*
Lord's Ho - ly One. Ma - ry, His mo - ther, ten - der - ly

B. *mp*
Lord's Ho - ly One. Ma - ry, His mo - ther, ten - der - ly

Pno. *dim.* *p* **E** ♩ = 100

66

S. *f*
wat - ches, Ga - zes at all things, gen - tly a - part. She

A. *mp*
wat - ches, Ga - zes at all things, gen - tly a - part. *Mmm.* *mp*

T. *mp*
wat - ches, Ga - zes at all things, gen - tly a - part. *Mmm.* *mp*

B. *mp*
wat - ches, Ga - zes at all things, gen - tly a - part. *Mmm.*

71

S. *dim.* *mf* *mp*
smiles at His peo - ple, their off - 'rings and prai - ses, And pon - ders, pon - ders,

A. *p*
Mmm. Pon - ders, pon - ders.

T. *p*
Mmm. Pon - ders, pon - ders.

B. *p*
Mmm. Pon - ders, pon - ders.

Pno. *p*

77

S. *f*
pon - ders all things in her heart. She smiles at His

A. *Mmm.*

T. *f*
Mmm. She smiles at His

B. *Mmm.*

Pno. *pp* *mp* *cresc.* *dim.* *p* *mf*

82

S. *dim.* *mf*
 peo - ple, — their off - 'rings and prai - ses, And

T. *dim.* *mf*
 peo - ple, — their off - 'rings and prai - ses,

Pno.

85

S. *mp* *rall.*
 pon - ders, pon - ders, pon - ders all things in her heart.

A. *p*
 Pon - ders, pon - ders, pon - ders all things in her heart.

T. *p*
 Pon - ders, pon - ders, pon - ders all things in her heart.

B. *p*
 Pon - ders, pon - ders, pon - ders all things in her heart.

Pno. *rall.* *pp*

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Alleluia! A New Work is Come on Hand (text trad. Medieval)
SATB choir a cappella

A Mother's Lullaby (text A. Gillian Grinham)
SATB choir & piano/organ

Child at the Heart (text N. Hopton)
SATB choir & piano

Christmas Peace (text N. Hopton)
SATB choir & piano

Even unto Bethlehem (text N. Hopton)
SATB choir a cappella

Lambskin Carol (words & music Maddy Taylor)
arr. N. Hopton for SATB choir, children's choir, flute & piano

Love is the Gift (text A. Gillian Grinham)
SATB choir & piano

Nicholas, Saint of Old (text N. Hopton)
solo voice, choir, tin whistle & drum

Suffolk Advent Carol (text N. Hopton)
SATB choir & organ

The Crofter's Carol (text N. Hopton)
SATB choir & piano

The Message of Christmas (text N. Hopton)
SATB choir & piano/organ

Village Wassail (text N. Hopton)
SATB choir a cappella



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