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Christmas Lullaby

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Andante legato (♩ = 84)

ORGAN

Sw. *p*

Man.

VERSE 1: SOPRANOS & ALTOS
VERSE 2: TENORS & BASSES

5(41)

p

1. Clear in the dark - ness a light shines in Beth - le - hem:
2. Where are his cour - tiers, and who are his peo - ple?

Ped.

9(45)

An - gels are sing - ing, their sound fills the air.
Why does he bear nei - ther scep - tre nor crown?

v.2:

An orchestral accompaniment is available on hire (fl., ob., cl., 2 hn., and strings).

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V.1: TENORS & BASSES

V.2: SOPRANOS & ALTOS

13(49)

mp

Wise men have jour - neyed to greet their Mes - si - ah; But
Shep - herds his cour - tiers, the poor for his peo - ple, With

17(53)

on - ly a mo - ther and ba - by lie there.
peace as his scep - tre and love for his crown.

21(57) *pp dolce*

S. 'A - ve Ma - ri - a, a - ve Ma - ri - a': Hear the soft
A. 'A - ve Ma - ri - a, a - ve Ma - ri - a': Hear the soft
T. 'A - ve Ma - ri - a, a - ve Ma - ri - a': Hear the soft
B. 'A - ve Ma - ri - a, a - ve Ma - ri - a': Hear the soft

26(62)

lul-la-by the an-gel hosts sing. *mf* 'A - ve Ma - ri - a,

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lul-la-by the an-gel hosts sing. *mf* 'A - ve Ma - ri - a,

lul-la-by the an-gel hosts sing. *mf* 'A - ve Ma - ri - a,

cresc. *mf*

Ped.

31(67)

a - ve Ma - ri - a, Mai - den, and mo - ther of Je - sus our *p*

a - ve Ma - ri - a, Mai - den, and mo - ther of Je - sus our *p*

a - ve Ma - ri - a, Mai - den, and mo - ther of Je - sus our *p*

a - ve Ma - ri - a, Mai - den, and mo - ther of Je - sus our *p*

dim. *p*

Ken

36 1

S.
A.

King'.

T.
B.

Ch. Fl.

72 2

King'.

Gt. or Ch. Fl.

Ped.

77 p

3. What though your trea - sures are not gold or in - cense? Lay them be -

p

82 *mf*

- fore him with hearts full of love. Praise to the Christ child, and

mf

87 *mp*

praise to his mother Who bore us a Sav-iour by grace from a - bove.

mp

p

Ped.

93 *p*

S. 'A - ve Ma - ri - a': Hear, O hear the lul - la-by

A. 'A - ve Ma - ri - a': Hear, O hear the lul - la-by

T. *mp* 'A - ve Ma - ri - a, a - ve Ma - ri - a': Hear the soft lul-la-by the

B. *mp* 'A - ve Ma - ri - a, a - ve Ma - ri - a': Hear the soft lul-la-by the

Sw.

Ped.

f dolce
an - gels sing. 'A - ve Ma - ri - a, a - ve Ma -
f dolce
an - gels sing. 'A - ve Ma - ri - a, a - ve Ma -
f dolce
an - gel hosts, sing. 'A - ve Ma - ri - a, a - ve Ma -
f dolce
an - gel hosts sing. 'A - ve Ma - ri - a, a - ve Ma -

cresc. *f dolce*

104 *p* *rall.* *pp*
- ri - a, Mai - den, and mo - ther of Je - sus our King'.
p *pp*
- ri - a, Mai - den, and mo - ther of Je - sus our King'.
p *pp*
- ri - a, Mai - den, and mo - ther of Je - sus our King'.
p *pp*
- ri - a, Mai - den, and mo - ther of Je - sus our King'.
rall.
dim. *p* *pp*

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