

What Child Is This?

SATB with Piano Accompaniment

Words: William Chatterton Dix
Music: English melody, 16th century

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♩. = 40-46

S A

T B

Piano

mp

mp

What

6

Child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mar - y's lap is sleep - ing. Whom

10

an - gels greet with an - themsweet, While shep - herds watch are keep - ing?

14

mf

This, this is Christ, the King, Whom shep - herdsguard, and

mf

17

mp

an - gels sing: Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The

mp

20

mp

Babe, the Son of Mar - y!

mp

24

mp
Why lies He in such mean es-tate, Where ox and ass are

29

feed - ing? Good Chris - tians, fear, for sin - ners here The si - lent Word is

33

mf
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plead - ing.

mf

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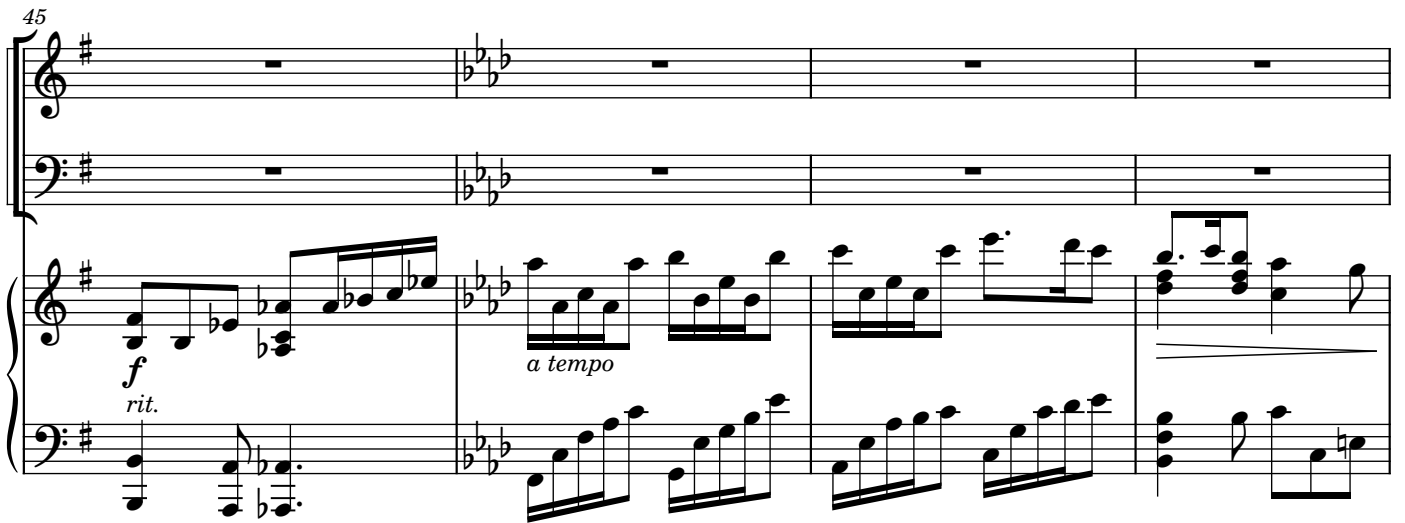
f me, for you; Hail! Hail! the Word made flesh, *mf* The Babe, the Son of

41



Mar - y!

45



f *rit.* *a tempo*

49

mf

So bring Him in - cense, gold, and myrrh. Come, peas - ant, king, to

mf

53

own Him. The King of kings sal - va - tion brings; Let lov - ing hearts en -

mf

57

f

throne Him. Raise, raise the song on high. The vir - gin sings her

f

61

lul - la - by. Joy! Joy! for Christ is born, The

64

Babe, the Son of Mar - y! The Babe, the Son of

mp *p* *rit.* *slowly*

69

Mar - y!

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Women melody **VERSE 1**
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 On Mary's lap is sleeping—
 Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
 While shepherds watch are keeping?
Women S.A. parts
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 Whom shepherds guard, and angels sing:
 Haste, haste to bring Him laud,
 The Babe, the Son of Mary!

Men melody **VERSE 2**
 Why lies He in such mean estate,
 Where ox and ass are feeding?
 Good Christians, fear, for sinners here
 The silent Word is pleading.

ALL melody
 Nails, spear, shall pierce Him through,
 The cross be borne for me, for you;
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 The Babe, the Son of Mary!

S.A.T. B. parts **VERSE 3**
 So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh.
 Come, peasant, king, to own Him.
 The King of kings salvation brings;
 Let loving hearts enthrone Him.
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