

Commissioned by The Bach Choir
in celebration of the 70th birthday of Sir David Willcocks

Christmas Lullaby

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VERSE 1: SOPRANOS and ALTOS

VERSE 2: TENORS and BASSES

2nd time: **B** *p*

Andante legato ♩ = 84

VOICES

ORGAN

Sw. *p*

Man.

Ped.

1. Clear in the
2. Where are his

6(42)

dark - ness a light shines in Beth - le - hem: An - gels are sing - ing, their
cour - tiers, and who are his peo - ple? Why does he bear nei - ther

v.2: An - gels are sing - ing, their
v.2: Why does he bear nei - ther

11(47)

VERSE 1: TENORS and BASSES
mp VERSE 2: SOPRANOS and ALTOS

sound fills the air. Wise men have jour - neyed to greet their Mes -
scep - tre nor crown? Shep - herds his cour - tiers, the poor for his

mp

16(52)

p

- si - ah; But on - ly a mo - ther and ba - by lie there.
peo - ple, With peace as his scep - tre and love for his crown.

A C 2nd time

21(57) *pp dolce*

S. *pp dolce*
 'A - ve Ma - ri - a, a - ve Ma - ri - a': Hear the soft

A. *pp dolce*
 'A - ve Ma - ri - a, a - ve Ma - ri - a': Hear the soft

T. *pp dolce*
 'A - ve Ma - ri - a, a - ve Ma - ri - a': Hear the soft

B. *pp dolce*
 'A - ve Ma - ri - a, a - ve Ma - ri - a': Hear the soft

Man. *pp*

Ped.

A C 2nd time

26(62)

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

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