

for Clare College, Cambridge
A Clare Benediction

Version for sopranos, altos, and men, with piano

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Andante tranquillo e legato ♩ = c. 84

**SOPRANOS
and ALTOS** *mp semplice espress.*

CHOIR

May the Lord show his

***PIANO** *mp legato*

Detailed description: This block contains the first system of the musical score, measures 1 through 5. It features a vocal line for Soprano and Alto voices and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats) and the time signature is 3/4. The tempo is 'Andante tranquillo e legato' with a metronome marking of approximately 84 beats per minute. The piano part is marked 'mp legato'. The vocal line begins with a rest for four measures, then enters with the lyrics 'May the Lord show his'.

6

mer - cy up - on you; ——— may the light of his pres-ence be your

Detailed description: This block contains the second system of the musical score, measures 6 through 10. The vocal line continues with the lyrics 'mer - cy up - on you; ——— may the light of his pres-ence be your'. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines in both hands.

11

MEN *mp dolce cantando*

guide: ——— May he guard you and up - hold

Detailed description: This block contains the third system of the musical score, measures 11 through 15. It introduces the Men's voice part, marked 'mp dolce cantando'. The lyrics are 'guide: ——— May he guard you and up - hold'. The piano accompaniment continues with a steady accompaniment.

* The original version of the accompaniment, for organ, is compatible with the voice parts of this arrangement, and is found in the SATB version of the anthem (ISBN 978-0-19-351152-1)

The orchestral accompaniment to the SATB version (2fl, ob, 2cl, bsn, 2hn, hp, str) is also compatible with this SAB version.

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SOPRANOS
and ALTOS
mp

16

you; may his spi - rit be ev - er by your side. When you

21

A

sleep, may his an - gels watch o - ver you; when you

25

mf

SOPRANOS
ONLY *mf cresc.*

wake, may he fill you with his grace: May you

MEN *mf cresc.*