

for Belfast Cathedral Choir, Christmas 2008

# A Christmas Blessing

For SSA\* and Piano (or Organ)

Duration: ca. 2:30

Words from the Church of Ireland  
Book of Common Prayer  
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Smooth and flowing ( $\text{♩} = 84$ )



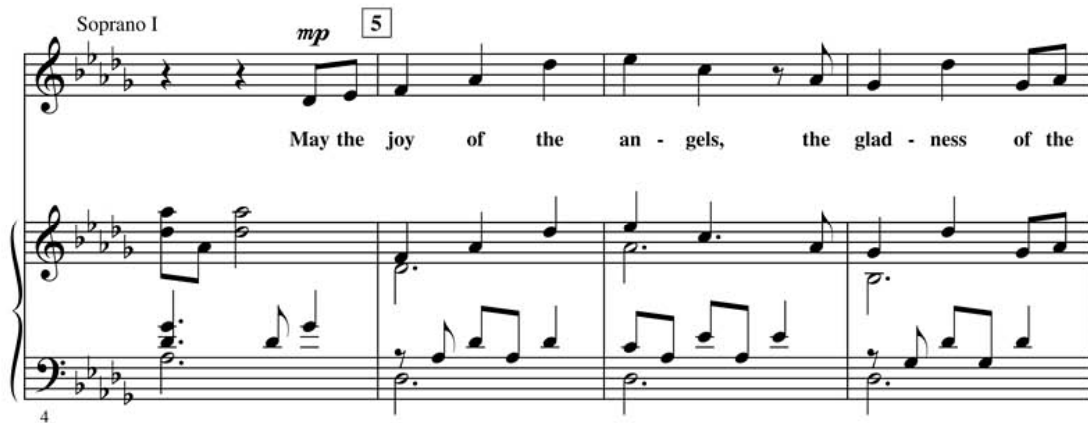
Piano (or Organ)

*mp*

The piano introduction consists of three measures in 3/4 time, featuring a treble and bass clef. The treble clef has a melody of eighth notes, and the bass clef has a simple accompaniment of quarter notes.

Soprano I

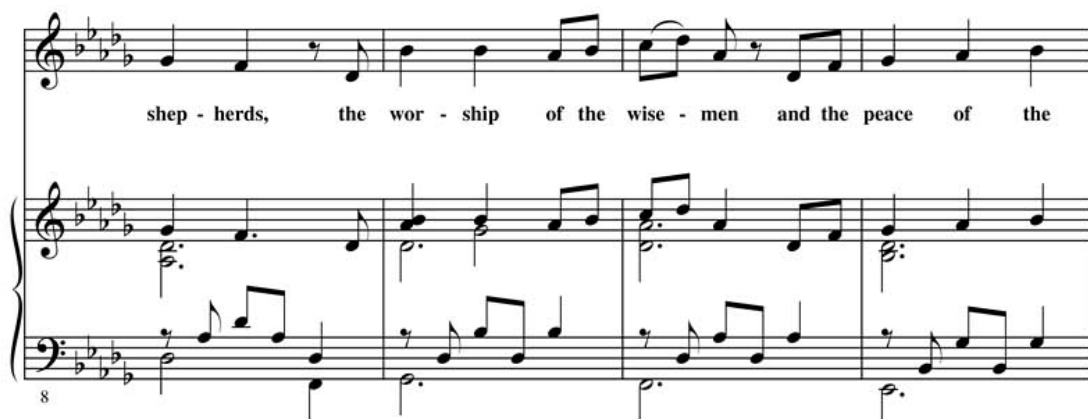
*mp* 5



May the joy of the an - gels, the glad - ness of the

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The vocal line for Soprano I begins at measure 5. It features a melody of quarter and eighth notes. The piano accompaniment continues from the previous section, with a treble and bass clef.



shep - herds, the wor - ship of the wise - men and the peace of the

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The vocal line continues from measure 8. It features a melody of quarter and eighth notes. The piano accompaniment continues from the previous section, with a treble and bass clef.

\* Available separately:  
SATB, SSA



Soprano I

Christ child be yours, be yours this Christ - mas.

Soprano II

Alto

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*mp* 17

— May the joy of the an - gels, the glad - ness of the

*mp*

May the joy of the an - gels, the glad - ness of the

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