

# Bethlehem

from the cantata, "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

"Resignation," *Southern Harmony*, 1835  
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**Gently** ♩ = 88 - 92

Violin

Cello

Piano

*p* *expressively*

*sim.*

*p*

*mp*

*mp*

*mf*

SA unis.

O - lit - tle - town of Beth - le - hem, how -

Duration: 5:05

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17

S  
A

still we see thee lie; a - bove thy deep and

*p*

*mp*

23

S  
A

dream - less sleep the si - lent stars go by. Yet

*mp*

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29

S  
A

*cresc. poco a poco*  
in thy dark streets shin - eth the ev - er

*cresc. poco a poco*  
in thy dark streets shin - eth the ev - er

*mp pizz.*

*mf*

34

S  
A

last - ing light; the hopes and fears of

last - ing light; the hopes and fears of

*arco* *mp*

39

S  
A

all the years are met in thee to - night

all the years are met in thee to - night

*mp*

45

*rit.* *a tempo*

*rit.* *a tempo* *p*

*rit.* *a tempo* *mp*

51

S A

For\_ Christ is\_ born of Ma - ry, and\_

*mp*

57

S A

gath - ered all a - bove, while\_ mor - tals\_

*p*

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*mp*

62

S A

sleep, the an - gels\_ keep their\_ watch of won - d'ring

*mp*

6  
67

S  
love. O morn - ing stars to - geth -

A  
love. O morn - ing stars to - geth -

*pizz.*  
*mf*

*mp*

72

S  
er, pro - claim the ho - ly birth, and

A  
er, pro - claim the ho - ly birth, and

77

S  
A

prais - es - sing to God, the King, and peace to

*arco*  
*mp*

82

S  
A

all on earth!

*mp*

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87

*mp*

*mp*

90

Musical score for measures 90-92. The score is written for three staves: two for the vocal line (treble and bass clefs) and one for the piano accompaniment (grand staff). The vocal line features a melodic line with a long slur over measures 90-92. The piano accompaniment consists of a steady eighth-note pattern in the right hand and a simpler eighth-note pattern in the left hand. Dynamics include *p* (piano) at the start and *cresc.* (crescendo) in both vocal staves.

93

Musical score for measures 93-96. The score is written for three staves: two for the vocal line and one for the piano accompaniment. Measures 93-94 show the vocal line with a slur and piano accompaniment. Measures 95-96 feature a *pizz.* (pizzicato) instruction for the vocal line, with dynamics *mf* (mezzo-forte) and *pizz.* for the vocal line and *mf* for the piano accompaniment. A large red watermark "For Perusal Only" is overlaid across the piano accompaniment staff.

97

Musical score for measures 97-100. The score is written for three staves: two for the vocal line and one for the piano accompaniment. The vocal line consists of a simple eighth-note melody. The piano accompaniment features a more complex texture with chords and moving lines in both hands.

102

S *mp*  
O - ho - ly child of Beth - le - hem, de -

A *mp*  
O ho - ly child of Beth - le hem, de -

*pp*

*pp*

108

S **For Perusal Only**  
scend to us we pray; \_\_\_\_\_ cast out our sin and

A  
scend to us we pray; \_\_\_\_\_ cast out our sin and

*arco mp*

*arco mp*

*mp*

114

S en - ter in, be - born in us to - day. We *mf*

A en - ter in, be born in us to - day. We *mf*

*p*

120

S hear the Christ - mas an - gels the great glad -

A hear the Christ - mas an - gels the great glad

*mp*

*mp*

*mp*

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The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. The first system includes a vocal line (Soprano and Alto) and a piano accompaniment. The second system starts at measure 130 and includes the same vocal and piano parts, with lyrics for both parts.

**System 1:**

- Vocal (Soprano):** bide with us.
- Vocal (Alto):** bide with us.
- Piano:** Accompaniment with chords and moving lines in both hands.

**System 2 (Starting at measure 130):**

- Vocal (Soprano):** bide with us.
- Vocal (Alto):** bide with us. Our Lord, E - man - u -
- Piano:** Accompaniment, including a *p* (piano) dynamic marking.

135

S  
Our Lord, E - man - u - el.

A  
el!

143

*p* *rit.* *pp*

*p* *rit.* *pp*

*p* *rit.* *pp*

#### About the arrangers

**Dr. J. Edmund Hughes** retired from the Music Faculty of Chandler-Gilbert Community College in August, 2011 after a 40 year teaching career. In 2002 he received the Arizona Outstanding Choral Educator Award by ACDA, and in 2005 he was honored as the Arizona Music Educator of the Year by AMEA. He recently received the first Lifetime Achievement Award granted by the University of Arizona Choral Music Department (December, 2011).

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