

text by
James Joyce

music by
Joseph Piontek



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About the composer

Pianist and composer Joseph Piontek is the choral accompanist for Free State High School in Lawrence, Kansas, and is the church musician for the congregation of First Baptist Church of Topeka. Before arriving in Kansas, Mr. Piontek resided in Boulder County, Colorado. While there, in addition to completing his Masters degree in Piano Performance at the University of Colorado, he won prizes in international, regional, and local competitions such as the Colorado MTNA Young Artist Competition, and



the Boulder International Chamber Music Competition. He also regularly collaborated with musicians of the Colorado Ballet Orchestra and the Boulder Philharmonic.

While Mr. Piontek's primary training has been on the piano, his professional life has inspired a love of composition, and he has so far produced works for choirs, bell choirs, and piano. His works have premiered at local festivals and at the 2023 KMEA in-service workshop.

In his personal life, Mr. Piontek enjoys exercising, finding fun new places to eat, and spending time with his wife and three cats.

Text

Sleep now, O sleep now, O you unquiet heart! A voice crying "Sleep now" Is heard in my heart.

The voice of the winter Is heard at the door. O sleep, for the winter Is crying "Sleep no more."

My kiss will give peace now And quiet to your heart — - Sleep on in peace now, O you unquiet heart!

James Augustine Aloysius Joyce [1882-1941] was an Irish writer now more noted for his novels than his poems but who nevertheless achieved great success in both areas in his lifetime.

Ranges





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Dedicated to Stacy Miller, director, and the Bel Canto choir of Longmont High School

Sleep Now



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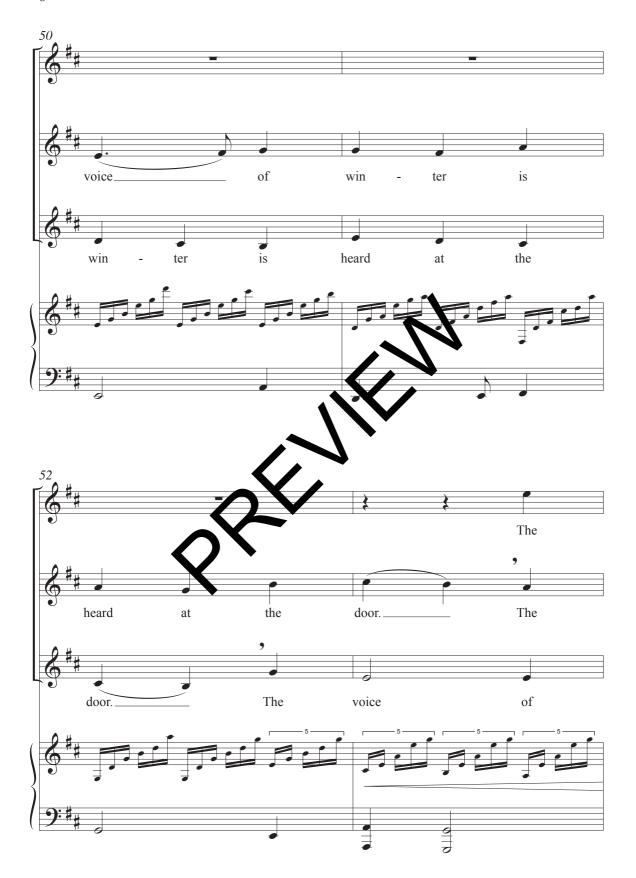
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