

Du bist die Ruh

Friedrich Rückert

Franz Schubert (1797-1828)
arranged by Peter A. Eklund

(♩ = 76)

Piano { ♩ = 76
pp

S1 { ♩ = 76
p [8] — f —
Du bist die Ruh, der Friede mild,

S2 { ♩ = 76
p — f —
Du bist die Ruh, der Friede mild,

A { ♩ = 76
p — f —
Du bist die Ruh, der Friede mild,

{ ♩ = 76
pp

S1 { ♩ = 76
die Sehn - sucht du, und was sie stillt. Ich wei - he [16]

S2 { ♩ = 76
die Sehn - sucht du, und was sie - stillt. Ich wei - he

A { ♩ = 76
die Sehn - sucht du, und was sie - stillt. Ich wei - he

{ ♩ = 76

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[31] *p* *f*

S1 Kehr ein bei mir, und schlie - ße du still hin - ter

S2 Kehr ein bei mir, und schlie - ße du still hin - ter

A Kehr ein bei mir, und schlie - ße du still hin - ter

p *f*

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S1 di die Pfor - ten zu. Treib an - dern Schmerz

S2 dir die Pfor - ten zu. Treib an - dern Schmerz

A dir die Pfor - ten zu. Treib an - dern Schmerz

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S1 aus die - ser Brust! voll sei dies Herz

S2 aus die - ser Brust! voll sei dies Herz

A aus die - ser Brust! voll sei dies Herz

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S1 von dei - ner Lust, von dei - ner Lust.

S2 von dei - ner Lust, von dei - ner Lust.

A von dei - ner Lust, von dei - ner Lust.

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S1 Dies Au - gen-zelt, von dei - nem Glanz al - lein er -

S2 Dies Au - gen-zelt, von dei - nem Glanz al - lein er -

A Dies Au - gen-zelt, von dei - nem Glanz al - lein er -

cresc.

ff

S1 hellt, o—füll—es ganz,

S2 ff p f

A ff p f

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hellt, o—füll—es ganz,

hellt, o—füll—es ganz,

pp

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A musical score page featuring four staves. The top three staves represent vocal parts: S1 (Soprano), S2 (Alto), and A (Tenor/Bass). The bottom staff represents the piano/bass part. The vocal parts sing in unison, with lyrics written below the notes. The piano/bass part provides harmonic support with sustained notes and chords. The score is set in common time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The vocal parts begin with a quarter note followed by a dotted half note. The piano/bass part starts with a forte dynamic (F) and then moves to a piano dynamic (P) with a crescendo instruction (cresc.).

S1
zelt, von dei - nem Glanz al - lein er -

S2
zelt, von dei - nem Glanz al - lein er -

A
zelt, von dei - nem Glanz al - lein er -

cresc.

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Mystery still clouds the origin date of this poetry. Rückert (1788-1866), a poet and scholar of the German language, gained popularity during the early 19th century with his patriotic poetry during the wars with Napoleon. His lyrics were set by many important composers, including Mahler.

Schubert, a quintessential Romanticist, set this text in an ambiguous style with little sensual emotion. The devotional text is set in a semi-religious manner with intimate and extreme attention to detail. This fine example of Schubert's creative genius has become one of his most popular songs. It was originally written for a high solo voice, the key the same as in this arrangement.

The poem translated

You are the repose (rest), the gentle peace,
you are the longing and what quiets it.
To you I dedicate my eyes and heart in
complete joy and pain as a dwelling place.
Come to me here and quietly close the door behind you.
Drive other pain from this bosom!
May my heart be filled with joy.
The pupil of my eye is illuminated by your glow,
oh fill it to the fullest!

Performance note:

The dynamics, crescendos, and decrescendos were added by the arranger.