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# Let the Stable Still Astonish

For SATB Choir, Piano and optional Cello\*

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(ASCAP)

Gently, with wonder  $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 66-69$

PIANO

1 2 3 4

SA unis. *p* *cresc.* *dim.*  
TB unis. *p* *cresc.* *dim.*

6 7 8 9

Solo or SA unis. *mp* *rubato, espressivo* ("sh" on beat 2)

10 11 12 13

\*Separate full score with cello part (BP2251A) is available for purchase.

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BP2251-2

14 15 16

18 19 20 21

(opt. SA div.)

22 23 24 25

BP2251-3

4

26 27 28

(end solo)  
tough.

30 31 32 33

Oo *mp*  
TB unis. *mp*  
Mm *mp*

34 35 36

BP2251-4

Più mosso  $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 72$

37 38 39 40

41 42 43 44

unis.

45 46 47 48

BP2251-5

crook

don - keys, ox - en; Crumb-ling, crook

don - keys, ox - en; Crumb-ling, crook - ed

walls; No bed to sa - ry that pain, and then, the

walls; No bed

*mp unis.*

Child, rag - wrapped, laid to cry in a

*mp unis.*

*mf* who would have cho - sen this? Who would have said:

*mf* Who would have said: "Yes,

*a tempo* let the God of all the heav - ens and earth be born here, in this

*a tempo*

*pp* Slowly, freely, hushed stands in the

*pp* Who, but the same God who stands, who stands, the

*pp* Slowly, freely, hushed stands in the

*Con moto, but not rushed*

trough.

*mf*

Who would have cho - sen this?

*Con moto, but not rushed*

Who would have said: "Yes, let the God of all the

*Slightly broader* ♩ = ca. 69

Oh,

heav - ens and earth be born here, in this place.?"

*Slightly broader* ♩ = ca. 69

*Moving forward*

rooms of our hearts,

dark - er, foul - er rooms

*Moving forward*

hearts and

hearts and says, "Yes,

*mf* *cresc.* *f* *rit.*

*Tempo I* ♩ = ca. 66-69

*unis.* let the God of all the heav - ens and earth be

*Tempo I* ♩ = ca. 66-69

born here - in this place.

Yes, let the God of all the

*rit.* *tempo* *unis.*

*ff a tempo* *unis.*

heav - ens and earth, let the same God be born,

*poco a poco rit.*

*poco a poco rit.*

here in this place.

*Slowly, freely*

Oo Let the sta - ble as - ish in this place, be

*mp* *p*

Be

born here, here in this place.

*unis.* *rit.* *p* *rit.*

born here, in this be born here in this place.