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Soprano, Alto, Tenor

With quiet expectancy  $\text{♩} = 92$

When the Lord came down to the riv-er to be hap-tized by

John,

the Ho-ly Spir-it led the way.

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*mf*

When he came up from the wa-ter, he saw the heav-ens o-pen

17

wide as he heard a voice from heav-en come to say:

21

*a tempo*

"This is my Son in whom I am well-pleased.

*mp a tempo*

25

*mf*

This is my Son who comes to fol-low me

29

Then a dove from heav-en came down and there was glo-ry all a-

33

round. And the Spir-it led the way as the Lord be-gan his

37 *mp*  
 min - is - try that day.  
 G/D Dsus D G Em BbD

49 *mp* *mf*  
 As we gath - er by the wa - ter, God's bless - ing show - er  
 BbD FAC Bb C/F# Bb GmBb C/D Dm7 Bb7 C/G

41 *mp*  
 Now an - oth - er comes to the world to be hap - tized to -  
 Csus AmC C7 F Eb BbD BbC FsusC

53 *f* *rit.*  
 down and now the Ho - ly Spir - it seems to say:  
 Am7 Bb Gm11 Dm7 Ebm7 F/G

45 *mp* *mf*  
 day.  
 The Ho - ly Spir - it leads the way.  
 F Dm Bb E7

57 *mp* *a tempo*  
 This is my child - in whom I am well - pleased.  
 C/B Dsus D G Gmaj7(9) Em Em9 Bm7# Bm

61 *mf*  
 This is my child - who comes to fol - low me  
 Bm/A D7 G2 Gmaj7(9) Em F#m

73 *mp*  
 life of faith - to - day.  
 G/D Dsus D G Em7 F

65 *mf*  
 And my Spir - it will come - my love and pow - er will sur -  
 G/B G C D9# Bb D/F# Bm7(6-5)F

77 *rit.* *Slowly and reflectively* *♩ = 84* *mp*  
 Now an - oth - er comes to the and the  
 C G/D G

69 *mf*  
 round, and I will lead the way as this child be - gins a  
 C Em7 Am7 Gmaj7(9)/B G/D C

81 *p*  
 Spir - it the way.  
 C/F C/G Am G G7(add11) G