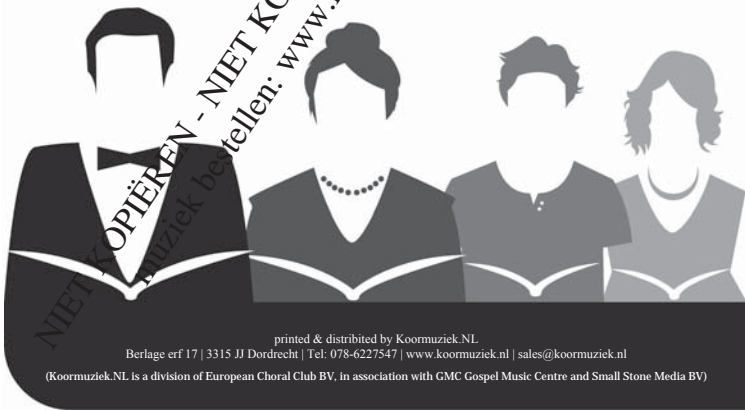


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♩ = ca. 72

S.A. unison mf

How_

far is it to Beth - le - hem? Not ve_ far. Shall_ we_ find the

sta - ble_ by a star? Can_ we_ see the lit - tle_ Child?

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15

Is He with - in? If_ we_ lift the wood - en latch, may we go

20

S.A. du
mp
in? Why? May we?

T.B. unison m
May_ we_ stroke the crea - tures there:

25

May we? May we? May we? May_ we?

or_ ass_ sheep? May_ we_ peep like them and see

4

29

May_ we?_ If_ we_ Will_ He?

Je - sus a - sleep? If_ we_ touch His_ ny hand

33

Will_ He?_ He_ know we've_

will He a - wake?_ know we've come so far

37

come for His sake?

come for_ sake?

His sake?

41 *mp*
Great kings have pre - cious gifts and we have naught;
mp
Great kings have pre - cious gifts and we have naught;
mp
Great kings have pre - cious gifts and we have naught;
mp
Great kings have pre - cious gifts and we have naught;
(for rehearsal only)



45
lit - tle smiles and lit - tle tears are all we brought. For
lit - tle smiles and lit - tle tears are all we brought. For
lit - tle smiles and lit - tle tears are all we brought.
lit - tle smiles and lit - tle tears are all we brought.



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49
all wea - ry chil - dren Mar - y must weep.
all wea - ry chil - dren Mar - y must weep.
For all wea - ry chil - dren Mar - y must weep.
For all wea - ry chil - dren Mar - y must weep.



53
Here, on His bed of straw, sleep, chil - dren, sleep.
Here, on His bed of straw, sleep, chil - dren, sleep.
Here, on His bed of straw, sleep, chil - dren, sleep.
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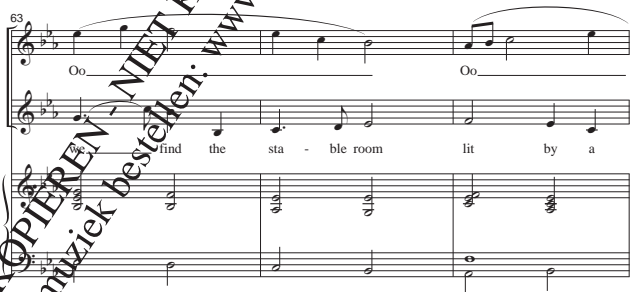
57 *f*
a few sopranos
S.A.T.B. unison *f* Oo
(keyboard resumes) How far it to



60
Oo
Beth - le - hem? Not y far. Shall



63
Oo Oo
find the sta - ble room lit by a



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8
66
Oo
star? Can we see the lit - tle child?



69
Oo Oo
Is He with - in? If we lift the wood - en latch,



73 *rit. mf*
Oo May we go in?
mf
go in? May we go in?
rit. mp



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