

Shepherds, Shake Off Your Drowsy Sleep

for Mixed (S.S.A.T.B.) Chorus, Baritone soloist, and Piano

Old French Carol

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Bouyantly ♩. = c. 60-66

The musical score is arranged in three systems. Each system includes a piano accompaniment (piano) and vocal parts for Soprano (S.A.), Alto (A.), Tenor (T.), Bass (B.), and Baritone (T.B.). The piano part features a steady eighth-note accompaniment in the right hand and chords in the left hand. The vocal parts enter at measure 5. The first system of vocal parts includes the lyrics: 'Shepherds shake off your drow - sy sleep. Rise and leave your lit - le sheep.' The second system of vocal parts includes the lyrics: 'An-gels from hea - ven round are sing - ing. Tid - dings of — great joy — are bring - ing.' The score is marked with dynamics: *mf* (mezzo-forte) for the piano and vocal parts in the first system, and *mp* (mezzo-piano) for the piano and vocal parts in the second system. The tempo is indicated as *Bouyantly* with a note equal to approximately 60-66 beats per minute.

PERFORMANCE TIME: *approx. 3:30 min.*

13 *f*

Shep-herds the cho - rus come and swell! Sing No-el, oh sing No-el! —

17

17 *f*

21 *mf*

Hark! ev-en now the bells ring round, Lis - ten to their mer - ry sound.

mp

Hark ev-en now the bells ring round. Lis - ten to their mer-ry

21 *mf*

25 *subito p*

See how the stars a - fresh are glow-ing. All their bright - est beams be-stow-ing.

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25 *subito p*

29 *f*

Shepherds the chor - us come and swell! Sing No-el, oh sing No-el!

Shepherds, the chor - us come and swell! Sing No-el! Oh, sing! Sing No -

29 *f*

33 *SOLO: f*

Bs. The Christ Child is born, sing

33 Sing No-el! Oh, sing No - el!

el! Oh, sing No - el!

33 *mp* ♩ = c. 108

38

Bs. al - le - lu - ia! Re - joice in your heart and be glad.

38

p Ooo

38

43

Bs. — He comes bring - ing peace to Earth, Al - le - lu - ia! Re -

43

Ooo

43

48

Bs. joice in your heart and be glad. Oh hear, all ye

48

Ooo Ooo

53

Bs. peo - ple, both great and small, Oh, come seek the dear Babe, a -

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53

58

Bs. sleep in the stall.

58 *mp* Oh, come seek the dear Babe a - sleep in the

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58

63 *Tempo Primo* ♩. = c. 60-66

stall.

63 *mf* stall.

67 *S.A. mf*

Shepherds then off and quick a-way. Seek the Babe ere break — of day.

T.B. mf

67 *mf*

71 *subito p*

He is the hope of ev - 'ry na - tion. All in Him shall find sal - va - tion.

71 *subito p*

75 *f*

Shepherds the cho - rus come and swell! Sing No-el, oh sing No-el!

75 *f*

79 *mp* *meno mosso*

Sing No - el, oh sing — No - el!

79 *mp* *meno mosso* *mf*