

Christopher Gower

Kings and Shepherds

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for unison voices (SATB or upper voices)
and piano or organ

for Grenville Hancox and Amici

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Words: David Broadbridge,
from the poem, O Magnum Mysterium

Music: Christopher Gower

UNISON VOICES (SATB or upper voices)

Soave $\text{♩} = 50$

p

1. That

PIANO or ORGAN

p

5

a - ni - mals should be the first to see A ba - by in their

8

man - ger laid, Would not to them seem strange.

p

p

Performance note: this carol can be performed by either mixed voices in unison or upper voices only. Verses 1 and 2 can be shared between upper (SA) and lower (TBarB) voices for performances using mixed voices.

The text is a shortened version of a longer poem, O Magnum Mysterium, which is published in the collection, Something in Writing.

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11 *mf*

2. But they_ were sure - ly

15

ta - ken by sur - prise When dis - tant kings and

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18 *p*

shep - herds came, Who told them of an an - gel and a

21

star,

mp