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The world itself keeps Easter Day

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English Devotional Song (13th century) arranged for SATB with divisions

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Word: John Mason Neale (1818–1866)

Music: melody of O Christe, Rex piissime
in Piae Cantiones (1582)
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Vivace ♩ = c.76

mf

SOPRANO
ALTO

1. The world it - self keeps Eas - ter Day, And Eas - ter larks are

TENOR
BASS

4

sing - ing: And Eas - ter flowers are bloom - ing gay, And Eas - ter buds are

mf

9

mp *cresc.* *mf*

spring - ing: Al - le - lu - ya, Al - le - lu - ya: The Lord of all things lives a - new, And

mp *cresc.* *mf*

14 *cresc.* *f* 18

all his works are ris - ing too, In no - va ju - ven - tu - te.

cresc. *f*

S. *p*
2. There stood three Ma - ries by the tomb, On Eas - ter morn - ing

A. *p*
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22 *mp* *cresc.*
ear - ly; When day had scarce-ly chas'd the gloom, And dew was white and

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ear - ly; When day had scarce-ly chas'd the gloom, And dew was white and

S. *mp* *cresc.* *mf*
A. pear - ly: Al - le - lu - ya, Al - le - lu - ya: With lov - ing but with err - ing mind, They

T. *mp* *cresc.* *mf*
B. pear - ly: Al - le - lu - ya, Al - le - lu - ya: With lov - ing but with err - ing mind, They

32 *cresc.* *f* 36
came the Prince of life to find, Cum pi - a ser - vi - tu - te.

cresc. *f*
came the Prince of life to find, Cum pi - a ser - vi - tu - te.

3. But ear - lier still the an - gel sped, His news of com - fort

mp
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40

giv - ing: _____ *mp* And 'why,' he said, 'a - mong the dead Thus seek ye for the

mf

mp

45

mp *cresc.* *mf*

liv - ing?' Al - le - lu - ya, Al - le - lu - ya: 'Go, tell them all, and make them blest, Tell

mp *cresc.* *mf*

50

cresc. *f* 54

Pe - ter first, and then the rest,' Man - da - tum hoc se - cu - te.

cresc. *f*

p Solo

S. 4. But one, and one a - lone re-main'd, With love that could not va - ry;

A. *pp* Ah

T. B. *pp* Ah