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# Richard Elfyn Jones

*Faith in waiting*

a carol for unaccompanied mixed voices,  
suitable for Advent

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### **Faith in waiting**

And how should I keep faith in waiting,  
but with the trust where promises begin,  
for the Christ child the world has longed to greet?

I should count down the days of waiting,  
until I find outside a starlit inn,  
a mother with her first-born son asleep,

my gift, the faith I kept in waiting,  
as Mary kept the Angel's news within,  
as shepherds did, the Christ child then to meet.

Then I would show my faith in waiting,  
and like a wise man gladly enter in,  
to worship at his tiny, tiny feet.

Words by David Broadbridge

*also available by Richard Elfyn Jones*

#### **ADAM'S FALL**

(O what a price that Adam paid)

a carol for unaccompanied mixed voices (with divisions), words by David Broadbridge,  
first performed by the Choir of King's College, Cambridge, conducted by Stephen Cleobury

#### **CHRIST THE GARDENER**

an Easter anthem for unaccompanied mixed voice, words by David Broadbridge

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# Faith in waiting

Words: David Broadbridge (b. 1947)

Music: Richard Elfyn Jones (b. 1944)

**Allegretto** ♩ = c.56

*mf*

SOPRANO  
And how should I keep faith in wait - ing, but

*mf*

ALTO  
And how should I keep faith in wait - ing, but

*mf*

TENOR  
And how should I keep faith in wait - ing, but

*mf*

BASS  
And how should I keep faith in wait - ing, but

*mf*

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with the trust where prom-i - ses be - gin, for the Christ child, the

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Christ child the world has longed to greet?

Christ child the world has longed to greet?

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Christ child the world has longed to greet?

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I should count down the days of wait-ing, un-

I should count down the days of wait - - ing un-

I should count down the days of wait - - ing un-

I should count down the days of wait - - ing un-

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-til I find out - side a star - lit inn, a mo - ther with her

-til I find out - side a star - lit inn, a mo - ther with her

-til I find out - side a star - lit inn, a mo - ther with her

-til I find out - side a star - lit inn, a mo - ther with her

16 TENOR SOLO

*mf*

as

S. first-born son a - sleep, my gift, the faith I kept in wait-ing, -

A. first-born son a - sleep, my gift, the faith I kept in wait-ing, -

T. first-born son a - sleep, my gift, the faith I kept in wait-ing, -

B. first-born son a - sleep, my gift, the faith I kept in wait-ing, -

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Ma - ry kept the An - gel's news with - in, \_\_\_\_\_  
 ah, \_\_\_\_\_ with - in, \_\_\_\_\_ as shep - herds did, \_\_\_\_\_ the  
 ah, \_\_\_\_\_ with - in, \_\_\_\_\_ as shep - herds did, \_\_\_\_\_ the  
 ah, \_\_\_\_\_ with - in, \_\_\_\_\_ as shep - herds did, \_\_\_\_\_ the  
 ah, \_\_\_\_\_ with - in, \_\_\_\_\_ as shep - herds did, \_\_\_\_\_ the

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S. *mf*  
 Christ child then to meet. Then I would show my faith in wait - ing, \_\_\_\_\_ and  
 A. *mf*  
 Christ child then \_\_\_\_\_ to meet. Then I would show my faith in wait - ing, \_\_\_\_\_ and  
 T. *mf*  
 Christ child then to meet. Then I would show my faith in wait - ing, \_\_\_\_\_ and  
 B. *mf*  
 Christ child then \_\_\_\_\_ to meet. Then I would show my faith in wait - ing, \_\_\_\_\_ and

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