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The fairest flower

Carol for unaccompanied mixed voices

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for Jane Sturmheit and the Chapter House Choir, York

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Words: John Audelay (15th century)

Music: RICHARD LLOYD

Poco lento

TENOR SOLO *mp*

There is a flower sprung of a tree, The

5 SOPRANO SOLO

mp

A flower of
root there - of is called Jes - se;

8 S. Solo *rall.*

price, There is none such in Pa - - - ra - dise!

Allegretto

con moto grazioso

11

S. A. *mp* 1. This flower is fair and fresh of hue; It
mf 2. The seed here - of was God's com - mand, That

T. B. *con moto grazioso*

15

fad - eth ne - ver, but ev - er is new; The
God him - self sowed with his hand In

19

blis - ful branch_ this flower_ on grew_ Was Ma - ry_
 Bed - lem, in_ that ho - ly land, 'midst her_ har -

24

p

mild that bare_ Je - su. A flower_ of
 -bour, there he_ her found. This bliss - ful

p

28

rall.

grace, A - gainst_ all sor - row it is so - lace!_
 flower Sprang ne - ver but_ in Ma - ry's bower._

Più mosso

33

mf

3. When Ga - bri - el this mai - den_ met, With
 3. When Ga - bri - el this mai - den_ met, this mai - den met, With

mf

mf

36 *mf*

'A - ve Ma - ri - a,' he - her gret; Be -

mf

40

-tween - them two - this flower - was set, - And

44 *mp* *mf*

kept - was, no man should know it, - But on a

mp *mf*

49

day - in Bed - - lem, It gan spread - and