

# The Christ-child

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Andante  $\text{♩} = 95$   
*mp dolce*

SOPRANO

ALTO

TENOR

BASS

9

*mf*

(O wea - ry, wea - ry

*mf*

(Wea - ry, wear - ry

*mf*

(Wea - ry, wea - ry

*mf*

(Wea - ry, wea - ry

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*dolce*

were the world, but here is all a - right.) 1. The

*dolce*

were the world, but here is all a - right.) 1. The

were the world, but here is all a - right.)

were the world, but here is all a - right.)

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Christ - child lay on Ma - ry's lap, his hair, his

Christ - child lay on Ma - ry's lap, hair, his

*mp* Christ - child lay on Ma - ry's lap, his hair

*mp* Christ - child lay on Ma - ry's lap, his hair, his

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hair was like a light. (O wea - ry,

hair was like a light. (O wea - ry, wea - ry,

*f* hair was like a light. (Wea - ry, wea - ry,

*f* hair was like a light. (Wea - ry, wea - ry,

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wea - ry were the world, but here is all a - right.)

*dim.* wea - ry were the world, but here is all a - right *mf* 2. The

*dim.* wea - ry were the world, but here is all a - right.)

*dim.* wea - ry were the world, but here is all a - right.)



38 *mf dolce*

O he lay on her breast, his hair, his

Christ - child lay on Ma - ry's breast, his hair, his

*mp*

8 Christ - child lay on Ma - ry's breast, his hair, his

*mp*

Christ - child lay on Ma - ry's breast, his hair, his

43 *f* *sempre f*

hair was like a star (O

hair was like a star. (O

8 hair was like a star. (O

hair was like a star. *f* *sempre f*

48 *meno*

stern and cun - ning were the kings, but here the

stern and cun - ning were the kings, but here the

8 stern and cun - ning were the kings, but here the

*sempre f* *meno*

(Stern, cun - ning were the kings, here the

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true, the true hearts are.

true, the true hearts are. (*mf* His hair was like a star.)

true, the true hearts are. (*mp* His hair was like a star.)

true, the true hearts are. *f* The SOLO

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*p* *accompagnato*

Ah

*p* *accompagnato* *f* His

Ah *p* *accompagnato* *f* His hair

Ah Christ - child lay on Ma - ry's heart,

*p* *accompagnato*

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*f* *ff* His hair was like a fire.

*ff* hair was like a fire.

*ff* was like a fire.

TUTTI *ff* hair was like a fire.