

Lord, Have Mercy

SATB *a cappella*Words and Music by
Pepper ChoplinWith a soulful swing ♩ = 104 (♩ = $\overset{\frown}{\text{♩}} = \overset{\frown}{\text{♩}} = \overset{\frown}{\text{♩}}$)

mp clap:

mp stomp:

5 SA *p*

Lord, _____ have mer-cy, Lord, _____ have mer-cy,

TB *p*

Lord, O Lord, Lord, O Lord,

p continue through
downbeat of m. 25

Soloist or a few sopranos:

9 *mp*

Lord, have-a mer-cy on my broth-er. Lord, have-a mer-cy on my

Lord, _____ have mer-cy, Lord, _____

Lord, O Lord, Lord, O

12

sis - ter. While I'm a - pray - in' down on my knees, —
 have mer - cy, Lord, — Lord, —
 Lord, Lord, Lord, — O

15 *mf*

mf
 Lord, have - a mer - cy on me. —
 Lord, have - a mer - cy on me. —
 Lord, have - a mer - cy on me. — Have mer - cy, O

17

Lord, have - a mer - cy on my broth - er. Lord, have - a mer - cy on my
 Lord, have - a mer - cy on, have mer - cy, O Lord, —

20

sis - ter. While I'm a - pray - in' down on my knees, —
 have mer - cy, and while I'm a - pray - in' down on my knees, — O

23 *p as before*

Lord, have - a mer - cy on me. Lord, O

Lord, have - a mer - cy on me. Lord, O

stop pattern

26

have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, O Lord,

Lord, Lord, O Lord,

29 *mp*

When we gath - er 'round a broth - er who is ly - in' on a bed of Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, O

Lord, O Lord, Lord, O

32 *mf* *cresc.*

pain. We're pray - in', Lord, won't You lift him up and we're pray - in', pray - in', Lord, won't You lift him up and Lord, we're pray - in', pray - in', Lord, won't You lift him up and

Lord, we're pray - in', pray - in', Lord, won't You lift him up and

35 *f*

take his bur-den a-way. — Lord, have-a mer-cy on my

take his bur-den a-way. — So I'm pray-in', Lord, have-a mer-cy on,

stomp/clap pattern resumes through downbeat of m. 45

38

broth-er, Lord, have-a mer-cy on my sis-ter.

have mer-cy, O Lord, have mer-cy, and

pattern continues through downbeat of m. 45

41

While I'm a-pray-in' down on my knees, — Lord, have-a mer-cy on me. —

while I'm a-pray-in' down on my knees, — O Lord, have-a mer-cy on me. —

Soloist or a few sopranos:

44 *mf*

For the chil - dren car - in' for their par - ents, for the

mp as before

Lord, have mer - cy,

mp as before

Lord, O Lord.

stop pattern

47 *f*

moth - er worry - in' 'bout her child. I'm pray - in', Lord, — won't You

f

Lord, — we're pray - in', pray - in', Lord, — won't You

f

Lord, O Lord, we're pray - in', pray - in', Lord, won't You

50

lift them up and give them — peace for a - while. — I'm pray - in' now,

lift them up and give them — peace for a - while. —

lift them up and give them peace for a - while. —