

A Christmas Praise

SATB*

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6
27 With great expression ♩ = ca. 84

The piano introduction consists of three measures in 4/4 time, marked *mp*. The right hand features a melodic line with eighth and quarter notes, while the left hand provides a steady accompaniment of quarter notes.

4 SA *mp*

To us a child is born, to us a

The vocal line for Soprano and Alto (SA) begins at measure 4. The piano accompaniment continues with a similar rhythmic pattern to the introduction.

7 *cresc. poco a poco*

son is giv'n, to us a child is

The vocal line continues at measure 7. The piano accompaniment features a *cresc. poco a poco* dynamic marking, with the right hand playing a more active melodic line.

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born, ————— who made both earth and heav'n.

13 *mf*

He is the mighty king, maker of

TB

mf

16 To him a-lone —————

ev - 'ry-thing. To him a - lone our praise we

19

bring.

mp

23

rit. *mp* *a tempo*

To us a child is born, to us a

mp

To us a child is born,

rit. *a tempo*

26

cresc.

son is giv'n, to us a child is

cresc.

to us a son is giv'n, to us a

cresc.

29

born, _____ who made both earth and heav'n.

child is born, who made both earth, both earth and heav'n.

32 *mf*

His name is Won - der - ful, his name is

mf

35 the might - y God, _____

Coun - sel - or, the might - y God, the Prince of

38

29

*SOLO (or Sopranos)

mf

With freedom

Peace. To us a child is born, to us a

mp With freedom

42

son is giv'n, to us a child is born, — who made both

46

(end solo)

Tempo I

mf

earth and heav'n. He reigns in maj - es - ty,

mf Tempo I

His gov - ern - ment

50

he rules in right - eous-ness. His gov - ern -

53

rit.

Broadly f

ment will nev - er cease. He is the

57

might - y king, mak - er of ev - 'ry-thing.