

# What Child Is This?

SSA with opt. Instrumental Ensemble

Words by William C. Dix

Arranged by Molly Ijames  
Traditional English melody, 16th century

(1) With delicate mystery ♩ = 92

5 SI, SII      *poco rit.*      *a tempo*      **p**

A      What **p**

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child      is      this,      Who,      laid      to      rest,      on

□ indicates CD track number.

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13 (2) *poco rit.*

Ma - ry's lap—— is sleep - ing? Whom  
*poco rit.*

17 *a tempo* ————— *mf*  
 an - gels greet—— with an - them<sup>sweet</sup> while  
*mf*  
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*a tempo* ————— *mf*

21 ————— *mp*  
 shep - herds watch—— are keep - ing?  
*mp*

(3)

25 SI                                  *mf*  
 This, this is  
 SII                                  *mf*  
 This, this is  
 A    *mf*  
 This, this is

29 Christ the King, Whom shep - herds guard and  
 Christ the King, shep - herds guard,  
 Christ the King, shep - herds guard,

33

*cresc.*

**f**

an - gels sing. Joy, joy \_\_\_\_ for

*cresc.*

an - gels sing. Joy, joy \_\_\_\_ for

*cresc.*

an - gels sing. Joy, joy \_\_\_\_ for

37

*mp*

Christ is born, the Babe, the Son \_\_\_\_ of

Christ is born, the Son \_\_\_\_ of

Christ is born, the Son \_\_\_\_ of

6 (4) SI, SII

41 A Ma - ry! ————— despairingly Why  
despairingly

45 lies He in such mean es - tate where

49 ox and ass are feed - ing? Good