

In honor of Caralie Brown,
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Commissioned by Sylvia L. Cash

God Breathed

Based on Genesis 1:2-7
and Psalm 33:6

Words and Music by
Pepper Choplin

With a sense of mystery ♩ = ca. 60

mp

4/4

The piano introduction consists of two staves. The right hand features a melodic line with eighth-note patterns, while the left hand provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes. The tempo is marked as approximately 60 beats per minute.

4 *p mysteriously*

When all was dark and end-less night,

p

4/4

The vocal line begins at measure 4 with the lyrics "When all was dark and end-less night,". The piano accompaniment continues with a steady accompaniment. The dynamic is marked *p*.

p

4/4

The piano accompaniment continues with a steady accompaniment. The dynamic is marked *p*.

7 *mp*

There was no en - er - gy or light.

mp

4/4

The vocal line begins at measure 7 with the lyrics "There was no en - er - gy or light." The piano accompaniment continues with a steady accompaniment. The dynamic is marked *mp*.

mf

4/4

The piano accompaniment continues with a steady accompaniment. The dynamic is marked *mf*.

9 *mf* *f* *mf*

The u - ni - verse was con - ceived when God breathed.

mf *f* *mf*

12 *rit.* *mp* **With more movement** ♩ = ca. 66

God breathed and pla - nets whirled in

rit. *mp* **With more movement** ♩ = ca. 66

14

space,

mf

The moon and stars were set in

mf

16 *mf*

and then the sun be - gan to

place,

18 *f*

blaze when God breathed.

20 *rit.* *f*

breathed.

God breathed, God

mf rit. *f*

Faster with sweeping motion ♩ = ca. 80

22 In the be - gin - ning, God breathed.

breathed, breathed, God

24 and all crea - a - tion

breathed, cre - a - tion came to be. God

mf *mf*

27

rit. **Tempo I** ♩ = ca. 66 *mp*

breathed. God blessed the earth a-bun-dant-

mf *rit.* *mp*

30 *mf*

ly *mp* with liv - ing things to swim the *mf*

God blessed the earth a - bun - dant - ly

32

sea, and set all crea-tures run - ning

with liv - ing things to swim the sea,

34 *f* *mf*

free, when God breathed,

run-ning free, when God