

Angels' Carol

Words and music by
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Brightly (♩ = 69) **SOPRANOS (and ALTOS)** *mf eagerly*

1. Have you heard the sound

PIANO or HARP *mf always rhythmic*

5 of the an - gel voi - ces Ring - ing out so sweet - ly,

9 **TENORS** *mf*
ring - ing out so clear? Have you seen the star

13 shi - ning out so bright - ly As a sign from God that

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A version of the accompaniment scored for 2 flutes, oboe, 2 clarinets, bassoon, 2 horns, harp, and strings is available on hire.

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A SOPRANOS and TENORS

17

Christ the Lord is here? Have you heard the news

21

S. A. — that they bring from hea - ven To the hum - ble shep - herds

T. B.

B

25

— who have wait - ed long? —

f joyfully Glo - ri - a in ex -

f joyfully Glo - ri - a

B

cresc.

f

29

- cel - sis De - o, Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o! *mf* Hear the an - gels
 in ex - cel - sis, Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o! *mf* Hear them

33

sing their joy - ful song. *p* Ah
 sing their joy - ful song. *mp* *dim.* *dim.* *p legato* 2. He is come in

38

peace in the win - ter's still - ness, *Ah* Like a gen - tle snow - fall

43 *mp cresc.*

Ah *Ah*

mp *mf dolce*

in the gen - tle night; He is come in joy

cresc. *mf*

47 *mf* *Ah* *Ah*

like the sun at morn - ing Fill-ing all the world with

D

51 *dim.* *p dolce*

He is come in love as the child of

ra-diance and with light. *dim.* *p*

T. } *Hum*
B. }

D

56

Ma - ry; In a sim-ple sta - ble we have seen his birth: *poco cresc.*

(Hum)

poco cresc.

61

Glo-ri - a in ex -

(Hum) Glo-ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o, *mp*

E

mp

65

- cel - sis De - o! Hear them sing 'Peace on earth'. *p*

Hear the an - gels sing-ing 'Peace on earth'. *p*

dim. *p* *cresc.* *mp cresc.*

70 **F** 3. He will bring new light to a world in

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f *f*

F *f* *mf* rhythmic

(Ped.) *(*) sim.*

74 dark - ness,

dark - ness, Like a bright star shi - ning in the skies a -

(Ped.)

78 He will bring new hope to the wait - ing

- bove; He will bring new hope He will bring new hope

He will bring new hope to the

82 na - tions ——— When he comes to reign in pu - ri - ty and
 to the na - tions ——— When he comes in pu - ri - ty and
 to the wait - ing na - tions When he comes in
 na - - - tions *mf* When he comes in

86 love. **G** Let the earth re - joice at the Sa - viour's
 love. *f* Let the earth re - joice ——— at the Sa - viour's
 love. *f* Let the earth re - joice ——— at the Sa - viour's
 love. *f* **G** *cresc.* *mf*

90 com - ing; Let the hea - vens an - swer ——— with the joy - ful
 com - ing; Let the hea - vens an - swer ——— with the joy - ful
 Let the hea - vens an - swer with the joy - ful
 Let the hea - vens an - swer

94 morn: _____ **H** (S.) Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o,
 with the joy-ful morn: _____ (A.) Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o,
 morn: _____

with the morn: _____ **H** (T.B.) Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis,

cresc. *f*

98 *mf* *dim.*
 Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o! Hear the an-gels sing-ing 'Christ is born',
 Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis! *mf* Hear them sing-ing 'Christ is born', *dim.*

dim. *mf* *dim.*

103 **rall.** **Tranquil** (♩ = 92) *p dolce* **rall. al fine**
 Hear the an-gels sing-ing 'Christ is born'.

p
 T.B. Hum

rall. **Tranquil** (♩ = 92) *p* **rall. al fine**

(Led. *)