

The promise of peace

Two short carols for Advent & Christmas for mixed voice choirs

I. A tender shoot

Text: Otto Goldschmidt (1829-1907)
tr. William Bartholomew (1793-1867)

Music: ASHLEY GROTE (b.1982)

Flowing
p

SOPRANO

1. A ten-der shoot has start - ed up from a root of grace, as an- cient seers im -

6

-part - ed from Jes-se's ho - ly race; it blooms with-out a blight, it blooms with-out a

12

blight, blooms in the cold bleak win - ter turn-ing our dark-ness in - to light.

S. *mp* 17

2. A ten-der shoot has start - ed up from a root of grace, as an- cient seers im -

A. *mp*

22

-part - ed from Jes-se's ho - ly race; it blooms with-out a blight, it blooms with-out a

28

blight, blooms in the cold bleak win - ter turn-ing our dark-ness in - to light.

mf 33

S. 

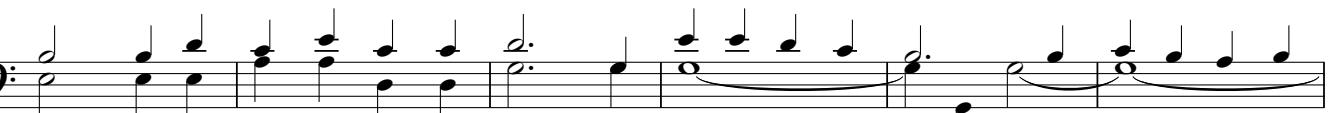
3. This shoot, I - sai - ah taught us, from Jes- se's root should spring; the vir - gin Ma - ry

T. 

mf

38 

brought us the branch of which we sing: our God of end-less might, our God of end-less

f 

our God, our God

44 

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might gave her this child to save us, thus turn-ing dark-ness in - to light.



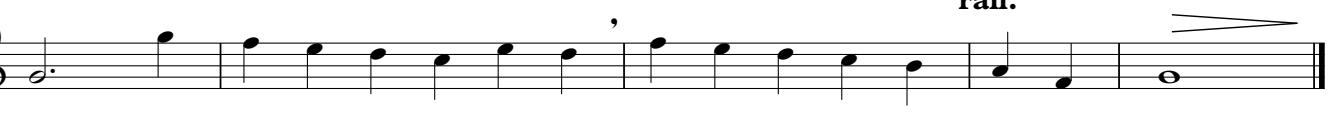
— of might, 

S. *p* 49 

This shoot, I - sai - ah taught us, from Jes- se's root should spring; the vir - gin Ma - ry

54 

brought us the branch of which we sing: our God of end-less might, our God of end-less

60 

rall. 

might gave her this child to save us, thus turn-ing dark-ness in - to light.

2. Cradle song

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748)
from A cradle song

Music: ASHLEY GROTE

Gently rocking $\text{♩} = 100$

SOPRANO ALTO

TENOR BASS

p 1. Hush! my dear, lie still and slum - - ber,
mf 2. How much bet - - ter thou art at - tend - - ed

Ho - - - ly an - - gels guard thy bed!
Than the Son of God could be,

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Heav'n - - ly bless - - ings with - - out num - - ber
When from hea - - ven he de - scand - - ed

13 *dim.*
Gent - - ly fall - - - ing on thy head.
And be - came a child like thee!

dim.



17 ***pp***

3. May'st thou live to know and fear him,

21

Trust and love him all thy days;

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25 ***p***

Then go dwell for ev - er near him,

29 ***mp***

his praise!

See his face, and sing his praise!

his praise!

his praise!

his praise!