

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.

mp 17

S. 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.

8

mf 33

S. A.

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

T. B.

mf

38

f

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,

p 49

S.

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 ♩ = 100

SOPRANO
ALTO

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

TENOR
BASS

5

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

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9

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

pp

21

Trust and love him all thy days;

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25 *p*

Then go dwell for ev - er near him,

p ev - - er

29 *mp*

See his face, and sing his praise! his praise!

pp his praise!

mp his praise!