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S.A.T.B.

Angels' Carol

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Brightly ($\text{♩} = 69$)

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 _____

The original version of this carol, for two-part singing (T117), was commissioned in connection with the 1988 **BET** Choirboy of the Year award.

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

mf

Have you heard the news

Christ the Lord is here?

17

21

S.
A.

that they bring from hea - ven

To the hum - ble shep - herds

T.
B.

25

who have wait - ed long?

B

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. *unis. p legato*

2. He is come in

dim. mp dim. p legato

38

peace in the win - ter's still - ness, Ah

Like a gen - tle snow - fall

43

in the gen - tle night; Ah Ah

mp cresc.

mp *mf dolce*

T. B. He is come in joy

cresc.

47

like the sun at morn - ing Ah Ah

mf

Fill-ing all the world with

D

51

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

He is come in love as the child of

p

T. B. Hum

dim. *p*

56 *poco cresc.*

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

(Hum)

poco cresc.

61 *E* *mp*

Glo-ri - a in ex -

(Hum) *mp*

Glo-ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o,

E *mp*

65 *p*

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

p

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

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

gloria + hear the angel singing

chord is broken

70

F

3. He will bring new light to a world in

f

3. He will bring new light to a world in

f

mf rhythmic

(Ped.)

sim.

74

dark - ness,

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

78

He will bring new hope to the wait - ing

- bove;

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 When he comes in

mf *mf* *mp*

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

G **G**

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

H

94 morn: _____ (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: _____ (T.B.) Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis,

cresc. *f*

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98 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! Hear them sing-ing 'Christ is born', _____

mf *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**
 (Ped.) *

