

# Prayer for Peace

~ carol for low voice and string orchestra ~

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*Freely, with energy and passion*

The musical score is arranged in systems. The first system includes staves for Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Violoncello, and Bass. The second system includes a Voice staff and staves for Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Violoncello, and Bass. The score is marked with a dynamic of *mp* (mezzo-piano) throughout. The key signature is one flat (B-flat major/D minor) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics for the voice part are: "1. Peace, the breath of peace is near, it calms and cheers, As". There is an annotation "(optional doubling)" above the Violin I staff in the second system. A large watermark "COPYING IS PROHIBITED" is visible across the score.

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*poco rit.* *a tempo*  
*mf*

Voice

we, with eyes of faith, look back-ward through the years... Peace, it was the An-gels' song when

Vln. I

*poco rit.* *a tempo*  
*submf*

Vln. II

*poco rit.* *a tempo*

Vla.

*poco rit.* *a tempo*

Vc.

*poco rit.* *a tempo*

Bass

*poco rit.* *a tempo*

13

*mp*

*mf*

Voice

He was born, Peace and Good-will to all, they sang, on Christ-mas morn. — Glo -

Vln. I

*mp* *mf*

Vln. II

*mp* *mf*

Vla.

*mp* *mf*

Vc.

*mp* *mf*

Bass

*mp* *mf*

17

Voice

ria et in ter - ra pax...

Vln. I

*sub mf*

Vln. II

*mf* *mf*

Vla.

*mf* *mf*

Vc.

*mf* *mf*

Bass

*mf*

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Voice

2. Love - - - ly, oh so love - ly, the re - flec -

Vln. I

*mp*

Vln. II

*mp*

Vla.

*mp*

Vc.

*mp*

Bass

*pizz.* *mp*

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*poco rit.*

*a tempo*

*mf*

Voice: ted star, The star of Hope in ev' - ry eye that sought so far... Far, they sought to  
 Vln. I  
 Vln. II  
 Vla.  
 Vc.  
 Bass

30

*mp*

*cresc.*

Voice: love him: Beth - l'hem, Cal - va - ry, That from their want and fear all peop - le  
 Vln. I  
 Vln. II  
 Vla.  
 Vc.  
 Bass

33

mf

Voice

shall be free. Glo - - - - - ria et in ter - ra

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Bass

arco

37

Voice

pax...

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Bass

cresc.

f

mp

Soft - ly, o'er the snow so soft - ly comes

(optional doubling)

mp

sub f

sub mp

sub f

sub mp

sub f

poco rit.

the sign, A bet - ter peace de - scends to us at Christ - mas - time.

poco rit.

poco rit.

poco rit.

poco rit.

poco rit.

poco rit.

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pp

Voice pax... An - gels, o'er the brok - en, spread your sil - ver

*sul pont.*

Vln. I *pp* *sul pont.*

Vln. II *pp* *sul pont.*

Vla. *pp*

Vc. (optional doubling) *pp*

Bass

61

*p* *rit.*

Voice wings, And help us to keep sa - cred all the love He brings.

Vln. I *p* *rit.* *pp*

Vln. II *p* *rit.* *pp*

Vla. *p* *rit.* *pp*

Vc. *p* *rit.* *pp*

Bass *rit.* *pp*