

IT CAME UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR

For SSA* and Piano with Optional Instrumental Accompaniment

Duration: ca. 3:40

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Words by EDMUND H. SEARS (1810-1876)
Music by RICHARD S. WILLIS (1819-1900)

Lyrically (♩. = ca. 40)

Piano

p
with pedal

mf
4

Soprano I *unis. mf* 9

Soprano II

Alto

It came up - on the
mf
Oo,

7

*Available separately: SATB (00284825), SSA (00286742), ChoirTrax CD (00284826)

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(fl 1-2, ob, cl 1-2, bn, perc 1-2, hp, vn 1-2, va, vc, db)

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mid - night clear, that glo - rious song of old, From

10

an - gels bend - ing near the earth to touch their harps of

oo.

13

gold: "Peace on the earth good - will to *all, from

17

16

*Original text: "men"

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heav'n's all-gracious King!"

rit. ***mf*** *a tempo* The world in solemn

Oo,

rit. *a tempo*

19

rit. *a tempo*

still-ness lay to hear the an-gels sing.

to hear ***mf*** the an-gels sing.

oo.

22

opt. div. *unis.* Still

25

through the clo - ven skies they come with peace - ful wings — un -

Oo, _____

28

furled, _____ And still their heav'n - ly mu - sic floats o'er

oo. _____

31

36

all the wea - ry world. _____ Look now, for gold - en

34

is the hour, come swift - ly on the wing. The

rit. *mf*

rit. *mf*

rit.

37

Prince was born to bring you peace; Of Him the an - gels

a tempo

a tempo

a tempo

40

sing.

sing. Glo - ri - a!

43

48 *unis.*

For lo, the days — have

46

come to pass by proph - ets seen — of old, ———— *f* When

49

cresc. *f*

f down in - to — the cir - cling years came Christ as was — fore -

Oo, ————

52

His word of peace shall to the earth God's

mp 56

told. Oo. God's

mp

dim. *p*

mf

an - cient prom - ise bring, And

mf

cresc. *mf*

all who take — this gift will hear the song the an - gels

60

sing. *rit.* *a tempo*

sing. De - o Glo - ri - a!

rit. *a tempo*

rit. *a tempo*

63

rit.

rit.

rit. *dim.*

66

69 **Andante** (♩ = ca. 66)

p *rit.*

In ex - cel - sis De - o Glo - ri - a!

p *rit.*

Andante (♩ = ca. 66)

p *rit.*

69

S.D.G.