

Commissioned by The Bach Choir
in celebration of the 70th birthday of Sir David Willcocks

Christmas Lullaby

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Andante legato $\text{♩} = 84$

VERSE 1: SOPRANOS and ALTOS
VERSE 2: TENORS and BASSES
2nd time: **B** **p**

VOICES

ORGAN

Sw. **p**

Man.

Ped. **p**

1. Clear in the
2. Where are his

6(42)

dark - ness a light shines in Beth-le-hem: An - gels are sing - ing, their
cour - tiers, and who are his peo - ple? Why does he bear nei - ther

v.2:

11(47)

sound fills the air. Wise men have jour - neyed to greet their Mes -
scep - tre nor crown? Shep - herds his cour - tiers, the poor for his

VERSE 1: TENORS and BASSES
mp VERSE 2: SOPRANOS and ALTOS

16(52)

- si - ah; But on - ly a mo - ther and ba - by lie there.
peo - ple, With peace as his scep - tre and love for his crown.

A **C** 2nd time

21(57) **pp dolce**

S. 'A - ve Ma - ri - a, a - ve Ma - ri - a': Hear the soft
pp dolce

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pp dolce

T. 8 'A - ve Ma - ri - a, a - ve Ma - ri - a': Hear the soft
pp dolce

B. 'A - ve Ma - ri - a, a - ve Ma - ri - a': Hear the soft

A **C** 2nd time

Man. **pp**

Ped.

26(62) **mf**

lul-la-by the an - gel hosts sing. 'A - ve Ma - ri - a,
mf

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mf

8 lul-la-by the an - gel hosts sing. 'A - ve Ma - ri - a,
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