

John Rutter Angel's Carol



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For mixed voices, SATB with piano or harp

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Brightly ♩ = 69

mf *eagerly*

Soprano
Alto
Tenor
Bass

Have you heard the sound

Piano

5

S.
A.

— of the an - gel voi - ces Ring - ing out so sweet - ly, — ring - ing out so

— of the an - gel voi - ces Ring - ing out so sweet - ly, — ring - ing out so

Piano

10

S. clear?

A. clear?

T. *mf*
Have you seen the star _____ shining out so bright - ly _____

15

T. — As a sign from God that Christ the Lord is here?

19 **A** *mf*

S. Have you heard the news _____ that they bring from hea - ven To the hum-ble

T. *mf*
Have you heard the news _____ that they bring from hea - ven To the hum-ble

24

S. shep - herds _____ who have wai - ted long? _____

T. shep - herds _____ who have wai - ted long? _____

28 **B** *f joyfully*

S. Glo-ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o, Glo-ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o!

A. *f* Glo-ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o, Glo-ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o!

T. *f* Glo - ri - a _____ in _____ ex - cel - sis, _____ Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o!

B. *f* Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis, Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o!

32 *mf*
 S. Hear the-an-gels sing their joy-ful song.
sf
 A. Hear the-an-gels sing their joy-ful song.
mf
 T. Hear the-an-gels sing their joy-ful song.
mf
 B. Hear them sing their joy-ful song.

mf *dim.* *mp* *dim.*

37 [C] *p*
 S. Ah ah
p
 A. Ah ah
p legato
 T. 2. He is come in peace in the win-ter' still-ness, Like a-gen-tle
p legato
 B. 2. He is come in peace in the win-ter's still-ness, Like a-gen-tle

p legato

42

S. *mp cresc.*
ah ah

A. *mp cresc.*
ah ah

T. *mp* — *mf dolce*
snow - fall in the-gen - tle night; He is come in joy

B. *mp* — *mf dolce*
snow - fall in the-gen - tle night; He is come in joy

cresc. *mf*

47

S. *mf*
ah ah

A. *mf*
ah ah

T. *mf*
— like the sun at mor - ning Fill-ing all the world with ra-diance and with

B. *mf*
— like the sun at mor - ning Fill-ing all the world with ra-diance and with

52 *dim.* **D** *p dolce*

S. He is come in love _____ as the child of Ma - ry;

A. He is come in love _____ as the child of Ma - ry;

T. light _____ Hum _____

B. light _____ Hum _____

dim. *p*

57 *poco cresc.*

S. In a-sim-ple sta - ble _____ we have seen his birth _____

A. In a-sim-ple sta - ble _____ we have seen his birth _____

T. hum _____ *poco cresc.*

B. hum _____ *poco cresc.*

poco cresc.

62 **E**

S. *mp* Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o! *p* Hear them

A. *mp* Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o! *p* Hear them

T. *mp* Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o, *p* Hear the-angels

B. *mp* Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o, *p* Hear the-angels

mp *dim.* *p*

67

S. sing "Peace on earth"

A. sing "Peace on earth" *f* 3. He will bring new

T. sing-ing "Peace on earth". *f* 3. He will bring new

B. sing-ing "Peace on earth". *f* 3. He will bring new

cresc. *mp* *f* *mf*

72 *f*

S. 3. He will bring new light to a world in dark - ness, Like a bright star shin - ing

A. light to a world in dark - ness, Like a bright star shin - ing

T. light to a world in dark - ness, Like a bright star shin - ing

B. light to a world in dark - ness, Like a bright star shin - ing

Ped.

77

S. — in the skies a - bove; He will bring new hope

A. — in the skies a - bove; He will bring new hope

T. — in the skies a - bove; He will bring new

B. — in the skies a - bove; He will bring new hope

81 *mf*

S. to the wai - ting na - tions When he comes to reign in

A. to the na - tions When he comes in *mf*

T. hope to the wai - ting na - tions When he *mf*

B. to the na - tions When he *mf*

85 *f*

S. pu - ri - ty and love. Let the earth re - joice. at the Sav - iour's

A. pu - ri - ty and love. Let the earth re - joice at the Sav - iour's *f*

T. comes in love. Let the earth re - joice at the Sav - iour's *f*

B. comes in love. Let the earth re - joice at the Sav - iour's *f*

mp *cresc.* *mf*

90

S. com - ing; Let the heav - ens an - swer _____ with the joy - ful

A. com - ing; Let the heav - ens an - swer _____

T. com - ing; Let the heav - ens an - swer _____ with the joy - ful

B. com - ing; Let the heav - ens an - swer

94

S. morn: _____ **H** Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o,

A. _____ with the joy - ful morn: _____ Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o,

T. morn: _____ Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis,

B. with the morn: _____ Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis,

98 *mf* *dim.*

S. Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o! Hear the an-gels sing-ing "Christ is born",

A. Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o! Hear the an-gels sing-ing "Christ is born",

T. Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis! Hear the an-gels sing-ing "Christ is born",

B. Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis! Hear them sing-ing "Christ is born",

dim. *mf* *dim.*

103 **rall.** **Tranquil** ♩ = 92 *p dolce* **rall. al fine**

S. Hear the an-gels sing-ing "Christ is born",

A. Hear the an-gels sing-ing "Christ is born",

T. Hum

B. Hum

p *p*