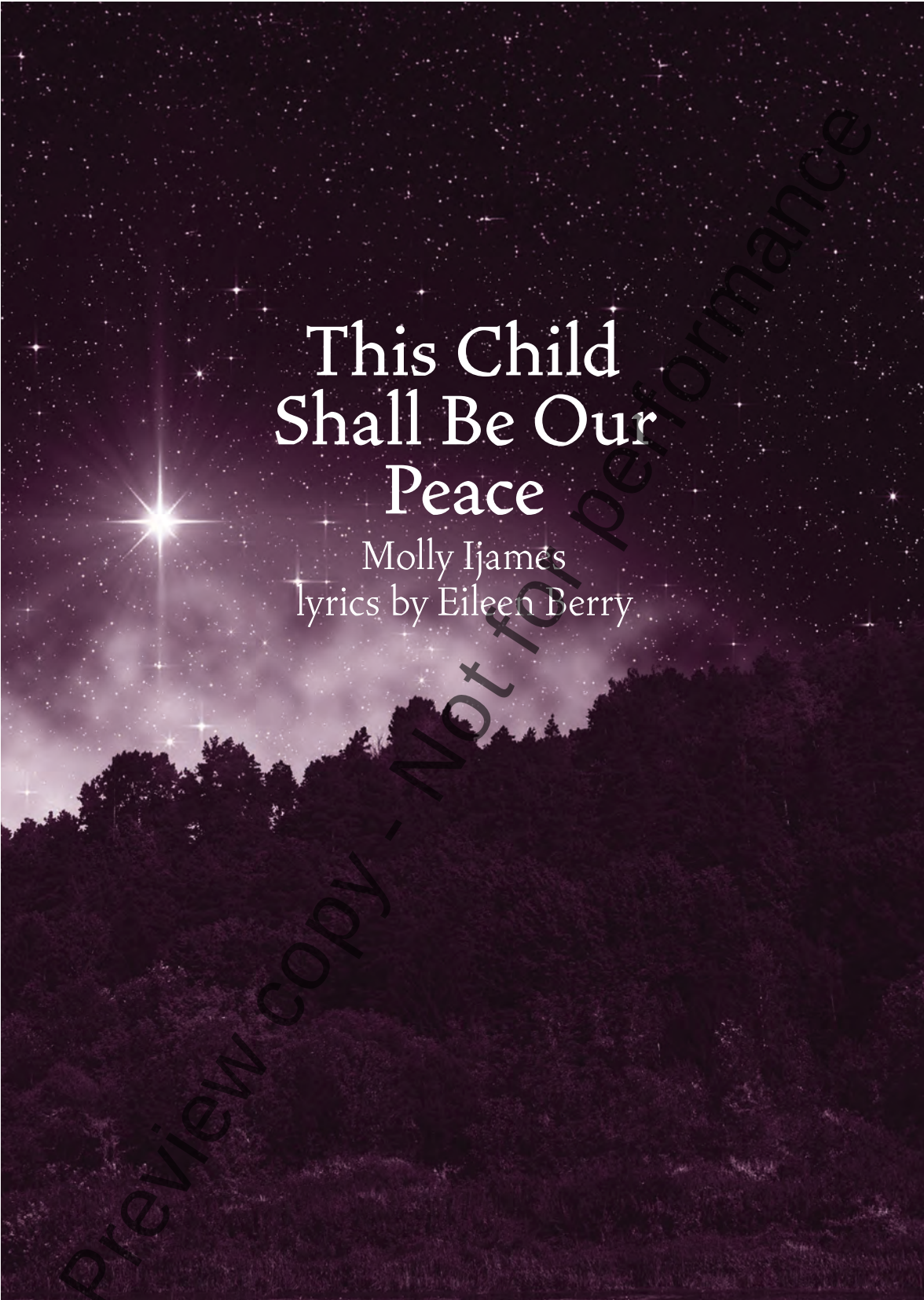




This Child Shall Be Our Peace

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For SATB Choir and Piano

“But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah,...from you shall come forth One who is
to be ruler in Israel, whose origins are from of old, from everlasting...
and they will dwell securely, for now He shall be great to the ends of the earth;
and He shall be their peace.”

Eileen Berry

Based on Micah 5:2-5a

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Reflective, pondering $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 76$

The musical score is for a SATB choir and piano. It begins with a piano introduction in 4/4 time, marked 'Reflective, pondering' with a tempo of approximately 76 beats per minute. The piano part features a melody in the right hand and a harmonic accompaniment in the left hand. The choir enters with the lyrics 'This Child, this Child, this Child, this Child'. The vocal parts are arranged in four staves: Soprano (S.), Alto (A.), Tenor (T.), and Bass (B.). The lyrics are: 'This Child, this Child, this Child, this Child'. The piano part continues with a melody in the right hand and a harmonic accompaniment in the left hand. The score is marked with dynamics: *p* (piano) and *mp* (mezzo-piano). The score is divided into measures 1 through 7. A large diagonal watermark 'Preview Copy - Not for performance' is overlaid on the score.

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rit. *a tempo* *p*

shall be our peace.

shall be our peace.

— shall be our peace.

Child shall be our peace.

rit. *a tempo* *p*

8 9 10

SA unis. p

A hush up-on the sta-ble, a

11 12 13

hum-ble man-ger bed. A wea-ry moth-er strok-ing her sleep-ing ba-by's head.

14 15 16

p

— An ech-o in her mem'-ry of an-cient proph-e-cies: this

pp tenderly *p*

17 18 19

S. *mp* *rit.*

Child of Ma-ry's la-bor, — this Child — shall be our

A. *mp*

Child of Ma-ry's la-bor, — This, — this Child shall be our

T. *mp*

8 This Child, — this Child shall be our

B. *mp*

This Child, — this Child shall be our

mp *rit.*

20 21 22

a tempo

peace, our peace.

peace. _____

peace, our peace.

peace, our peace.

a tempo

23 24 25

SA

con moto

TB *mf*

A flock of sheep a-wak-ened, a flood of glo-rious light, a

con moto

mf

26 27 28

band of fear - ful shep - herds il - lu - mined in the night.

mf Oh, ah,

The an - gel voic - es swell - ing, their mes - sage to re - lease: The

unis. The Lamb will be our Shep - herd, this Child will be our

unis. Lamb will be our Shep - herd, this Child will be our

poco rit.

poco rit.

29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36

f *a tempo* *mp*

peace. _____ This earth-born Child of Heav-en, this

f

peace. _____

a tempo *f* *mp*

37 38 39

flesh-bound Son of God, this

mp

This Man who bore our sor - rows, this

40 41

rit. *mf*

Lamb who shed His blood, _____ He

mf

Lamb who shed His blood, _____ He

rit.

42 43 44

S. *a tempo*

stills our rag - ing an - ger, He heals our hope-less grief, He

A. stills our rag - ing an - ger, He heals our hope-less grief, He

T. stills our rag - ing an - ger, He heals our hope-less grief, He

B. stills our rag - ing an - ger, He heals our hope-less grief, He

*a tempo**mf* *delicately*

calms our fran - tic wor - ry, He helps our un - be -

calms our fran - tic wor - ry, He helps our un - be -

calms our fran - tic wor - ry, He helps our un - be -

calms our fran - tic wor - ry, He helps our un - be -

f *f* *f* *f* *f*

f *f* *f* *f* *f*

lief. Be - neath His right-eous scep - ter He

lief. Be - neath His right-eous scep - ter He

lief. He

lief. He

lief. He

49 50

makes all war to cease.

makes all war to cease.

makes all war to cease.

makes all war to cease.

51 52

And.

Come bow the knee be-fore Him. *mf*
 Come bow the knee be-fore Him. *mf*
 Come bow the knee be-fore Him. *mf*
 Come bow the knee be-fore Him. *mf*
 Come bow the knee be-fore Him. *mf*
 This Christ shall *mp*
 This, this Christ shall *mp*
 This Christ shall *mp*
 This Christ shall *mp*
 (non rit.)
 Slower tempo to the e
 Slower tempo to the e

p

be our peace,

p

be our peace,

p

be our peace,

p

be our peace,

59 60 61

molto rit.

our peace,

pp

our peace.

our peace, our peace, our peace.

pp

our peace.

pp

our peace.

pp

our peace, our peace, our peace.

pp

our peace, our peace.

molto rit.

62 63 64 65

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