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*Dedicated to my mother,
whose faith in the living Christ has never wavered*

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Largo ♩ = 60 A

Soprano
Alto
Tenor
Bass
Piano

As we com - mem - or - ate the birth of Je - sus Christ, two mil - le - ni - a a -

mf

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mf

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A(omit3) /G# A(omit3)/F# /E

4

S.
A.
T.
B.
Pno.

- go, we of - fer our tes - ti - mo - ny of the re - al - i - ty of His

- go, we of - fer our tes - ti - mo - ny of the re - al - i - ty of His

- go, we of - fer our tes - ti - mo - ny of the re - al - i - ty of His

- go, we of - fer our tes - ti - mo - ny of the re - al - i - ty of His

D A/C# Bm7 E7sus4 E A(omit3) /G#

7

S. match - less life and the in - fin - ite vir - tue of His great at - on - ing sac - ri - fice. None oth - er

A. match - less life and the in - fin - ite vir - tue of His great at - on - ing sac - ri - fice. None oth - er

T. match - less life and the in - fin - ite vir - tue of His great at - on - ing sac - ri - fice. None oth - er

B. match - less life and the in - fin - ite vir - tue of His great at - on - ing sac - ri - fice. None oth - er

Pno. /F# /E D A/C# Bm7 E7sus4 E

10

S. has had so pro - found an in - flu - ence up - on all who have lived and will yet live up -

A. has had so pro - found an in - flu - ence up - on all who have lived and will yet live up -

T. has had so pro - found an in - flu - ence up - on all who have lived and will yet live up -

B. has had so pro - found an in - flu - ence up - on all who have lived and will yet live up -

Pno. C#m D(add9) A/E Fdim7 F#m7 A/E

13

S. - on the earth. He was the Great Je - ho - vah of the Old Test - a - ment, the Me -

A. - on the earth. He was the Great Je - ho - vah of the Old Test - a - ment, the Me -

T. - on the earth. He was the Great Je - ho - vah of the Old Test - a - ment, the Me -

B. - on the earth. He was the Great Je - ho - vah of the Old Test - a - ment, the Me -

Pno. Dsus2 A /G#

15

S. - si - ah of the New. Un - der di - rec - tion of His Fath - er He was the cre - a - tor of the earth.

A. - si - ah of the New. Un - der di - rec - tion of His Fath - er He was the cre - a - tor of the earth.

T. - si - ah of the New. Un - der di - rec - tion of His Fath - er He was the cre - a - tor of the earth.

B. - si - ah of the New. Un - der di - rec - tion of His Fath - er He was the cre - a - tor of the earth.

Pno. /F# /E Dmaj7 A/C# Bm7 E

18

S. "All things were made by him; and with - out him was not an - y thing made that

A. "All things were made by him; and with - out him was not an - y thing made that

T. "All things were made by him; and with - out him was not an - y thing made that

B. "All things were made by him; and with - out him was not an - y thing made that

Pno. F#m A/E Dmaj7 A/C# Bm7

21

S. made." Though sin - less, He was bap - tized to ful - fill all right - eous - ness. He

A. made." Though sin - less, He was bap - tized to ful - fill all right - eous - ness. He

T. made"_____ He

B. made"_____ He

Pno. Esus4 E F#m(add9) C#m D(add9) Esus4

rit......

24

S. "went a - bout do - ing good," yet was de - spised for it.

A. "went a - bout do - ing good," yet was de - spised for it.

T. "went a - bout do - ing good," yet was de - spised for it.

B. "went a - bout do - ing good," yet was de - spised for it.

Pno. F#m(add9) /E F#m(add9)/D

a tempo

26

S. His gos - pel was a mes - sage of peace _ and good - He en - treat - ed all to fol - low His ex -

A. His gos - pel was a mes - sage of peace _ and good - will. He en - treat - ed all to fol - low His ex -

T. peace _ and good - will. He en - treat - ed all to fol - low His ex -

B. His gos - pel was a mes - sage of peace _ and good - will. He en - treat - ed all to fol - low His ex -

Pno. A(omit3) /G# A(omit3)/F# /E D A/C#

29

S. - am - ple. He walked the roads of Pal - e - stine, heal - ing the sick, caus - ing the blind to

A. - am - ple. He walked the roads of Pal - e - stine, heal - ing the sick, caus - ing the blind to

T. - am - ple. He walked the roads of Pal - e - stine, heal - ing the sick, caus - ing the blind to

B. - am - ple. He walked the roads of Pal - e - stine, heal - ing the sick, caus - ing the blind to

Pno. Bm7 E7sus4 E C#m D(add9) A/E Fdim7

32

S. see, and rais - ing the dead. He taught the truths of e - ter - ni - ty, the re-

A. see, and rais - ing the dead. He taught the truths of e - ter - ni - ty, the re-

T. see, and rais - ing the dead. He taught the truths of e - ter - ni - ty, the re-

B. see, and rais - ing the He taught the truths of e - ter - ni - ty the re-

Pno. F#m7 A/E Dsus2 A /G#

35 *rit.*.....

S. al - i - ty of our pre - mor - tal ex - ist - ance, the pur - pose of our life on earth, and po - ten - tial for the

A. al - i - ty of our pre - mor - tal ex - ist - ance, the pur - pose of our life on earth, and po - ten - tial for the

T. - al - i - ty of our pre - mor - tal ex - ist - ance, the pur - pose of our life on earth, and po - ten - tial for the

B. - al - i - ty of our pre - mor - tal ex - ist - ance, the pur - pose of our life on earth, and po - ten - tial for the

Pno. A/F# /E D A/C# Bm7 A/C#

38 **B** Andante ♩ = 85

S. sons and daught - ers of God in the life to come.

A. sons and daught - ers of God in the life to come.

T. sons and daught - ers of God in the life to come.

B. sons and daught - ers of God in the life to come.

Pno. D(add9) Esus4 E Am D Am

42

S. He ins - ti - tut - ed the sac - ra - ment as a re - min - der of His great a - ton - ing

A. He ins - ti - tut - ed the sac - ra - ment as a re - min - der of His great a - ton - ing

T. He ins - ti - tut - ed the sac - ra - ment as a re - min - der of His great a - ton - ing

B. He ins - ti - tut - ed the sac - ra - ment as a re - min - der of His great a - ton - ing

Pno. D Am D C/E F^(add2)

47 rit..... a tempo

S. sac - ri - fice. _____

A. sac - ri - fice. _____

T. sac - ri - fice. _____ He was ar - rest - ed and con - demned on spur - ious

B. sac - ri - fice. _____ He was ar - rest - ed and con - demned on spur - ious

Pno. C/G Gsus4 G Am Am^(add9) Em/G

51

S. con - vict - ed__ to sat - is - fy__ a mob, and sen - tenced to die on

A. con - vict - ed__ to sat - is - fy__ a mob, and sen - tenced to die on

T. charg - es, and sen - tenced to die on

B. charg - es, and sen - tenced to die on

Pno. Fmaj7 Am Em Fmaj9 Dm /B

55 rit.....a tempo

S. Cal - vary's cross. to a - tone for the sins A vi - car - i - ous gift in be - half of

A. Cal - vary's cross. to a - tone for the sins A vi - car - i - ous gift in be - half of

T. Cal - vary's cross. He gave His life of all man - kind.

B. Cal - vary's cross. He gave His of all man - kind.

Pno. Fmaj7 Gsus2 Am Fmaj7 G Am D/F#

58

S. all who would ev - er live up - on the earth.

A. all who would ev - er live up - on the earth.

T. all who would ev - er live up - on the earth.

B. all who would ev - er live up - on the earth.

Pno. Dm Gsus4 G Am7 D Am



62

S. We sol - em - ly tes - ti - fy that His life, which is cent - ral to

A. We sol - em - ly tes - ti - fy that His life, which is cent - ral to

T. We sol - em - ly tes - ti - fy that His life, which is cent - ral to

B. We sol - em - ly tes - ti - fy that His life, which is cent - ral to

Pno. D Am D C/E



66

S. all hu - man his - tory, neith - er be - gan in Beth - le - hem nor con - clud - ed on Cal - va - ry.

A. all hu - man his - tory, neith - er be - gan in Beth - le - hem nor con - clud - ed on Cal - va - ry.

T. all hu - man his - tory, neith - er be - gan in Beth - le - hem nor con - clud - ed on Cal - va - ry.

B. all hu - man his - tory, neith - er be - gan in Beth - le - hem nor con - clud - ed on Cal - va - ry.

Pno. F#sus2 C/E F#sus2 C/E F#sus2

71

S. He was the First - born of the Fath - er, the On - ly Be - got - ten Son in the flesh, rit.....

A. He was the First - born of the Fath - er, the On - ly Be - got - ten Son in the flesh,

T. He was the First - born of the Fath - er, the On - ly Be - got - ten Son in the flesh, the Re - deem - er of the

B. He was the First - born of the Fath - er, the On - ly Be - got - ten Son in the flesh,

Pno. Dm7 C/E F G#sus4 Dm7 C/E

Solo

76 **C** **Largo** ♩ = 60

S. He rose from the grave to "be - come the first - fruits of them that slept."

A. He rose from the grave to "be - come the first - fruits of them that slept."

T. world. He rose from the grave to "be - come the first - fruits of them that slept."

B. He rose from the grave to "be - come the first - fruits of them that slept."

Pno. **Fsus2** **C** **F** **C** **F**

81

S. As Ris - en Lord, He vis - it - ed a - mong those He loved in life. He al - so

A. As Ris - en Lord, He vis - it - ed a - mong those He loved in life. He al - so

T. As Ris - en Lord, He vis - it - ed a - mong those He loved in life. He al - so

B. As Ris - en Lord, He vis - it - ed a - mong those He loved in life. He al - so

Pno. **C** **F** **C** **F**

85

f *accel.*

S. ooh - - - ooh - - - Am - er - i - ca. In the

A. ooh - - - ooh - - - Am - er - i - ca. In the

T. mi - ni - stered a - mong His "oth - er sheep" in an - cient Am - er - i - ca. In the

B. mi - ni - stered a - mong His "oth - er sheep" in an - cient Am - er - i - ca. In the

Pno. F G/F C/E Am

89

S. mod - ern world, He and His Fath - er ap - peared to the boy Jos - eph Smith, ush - er - ing in the

A. mod - ern world, He and His Fath - er ap - peared to the boy Jos - eph Smith, ush - er - ing in the

T. mod - ern world, He and His Fath - er ap - peared to the boy Jos - eph Smith, ush - er - ing in the

B. mod - ern world, He and His Fath - er ap - peared to the boy Jos - eph Smith, ush - er - ing in the

Pno. F G/F Em7 Am

D ♩ = 65

93

S. long - prom - ised "dis - pen - sa - tion of the full - ness of times."

A. long - prom - ised "dis - pen - sa - tion of the full - ness of times."

T. *ff* long - prom - ised "dis - pen - sa - tion of the ful - ness of times."

B. *ff* long - prom - ised "dis - pen - sa - tion of the ful - ness of times."

Pno. F G G#dim7 Am7 Dm7 G7sus4 C Fm/C

98

S.

A.

Narrator 1: Of the Living Christ, the Prophet Joseph wrote:
"His eyes were as flame of fire;

T.

B.

Pno. C Fm/C C Fm/C

102

S.

A.

T.

B.

the hair of his head was white like the pure snow; his countenance shown above the brightness of the

C Fm/C Am

Pno.

105

S.

A.

T.

B.

sun; and his voice was as the sound of the rushing of great waters, even the voice of Jehovah, saying:

F C Gsus4 G

Pno.

108

S. "I am the first and the last; I am he who liv - eth, _____

A. "I am the first and the last; I am he who liv - eth, _____

T. "I am the first and the last; I am he who liv - eth, _____

B. "I am the first and the last; I am he who liv - eth, _____

Am G/A Am G/A F G C

Pno.

112 rit.....

S. I am your ad - vo - cate_ with the Fa - ther." _____

A. I am your ad - vo - cate_ with the Fa - ther." _____

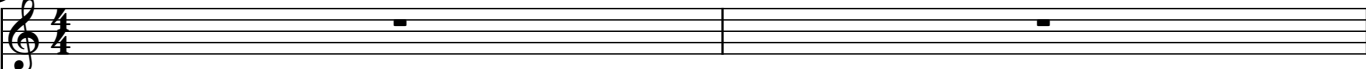
Solo
T. I am he who was slain; I am your ad - vo - cate_ with the Fa - ther." _____

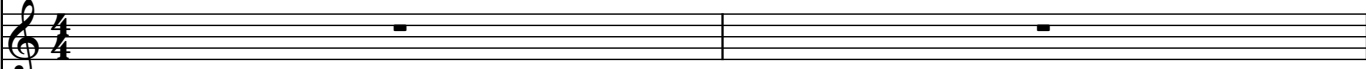
B. I am your ad - vo - cate_ with the Fa - ther." _____

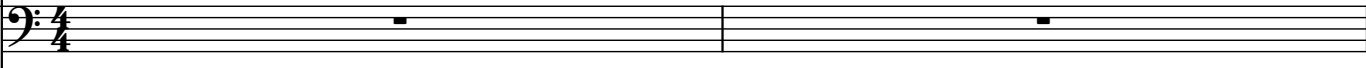
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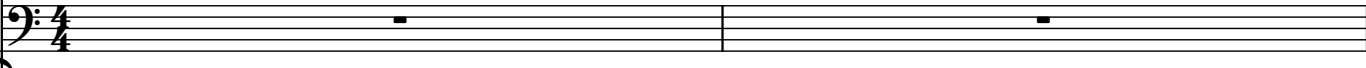
Pno.

116 **E** a tempo

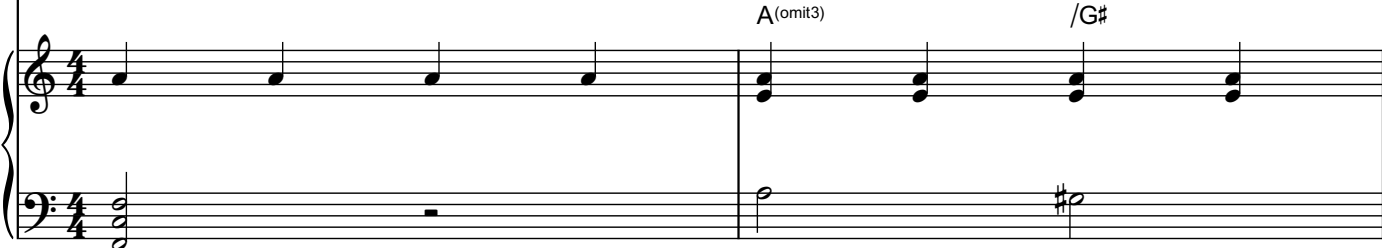
S. 

A. 

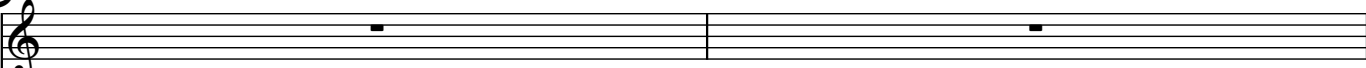
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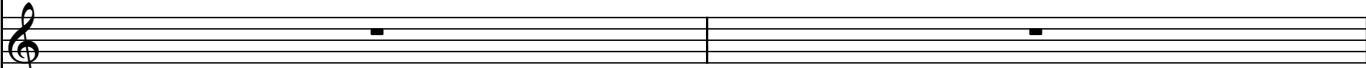
B. 

Narrator 2: Of Him the Prophet also declared:

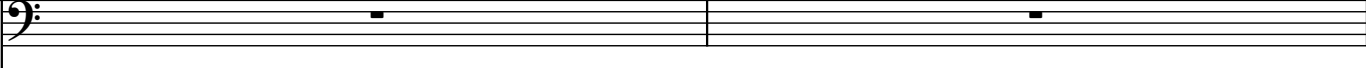
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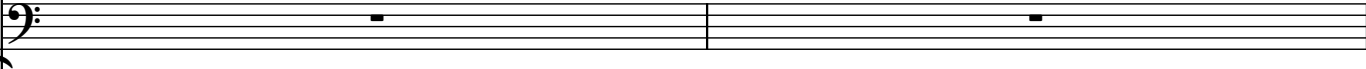
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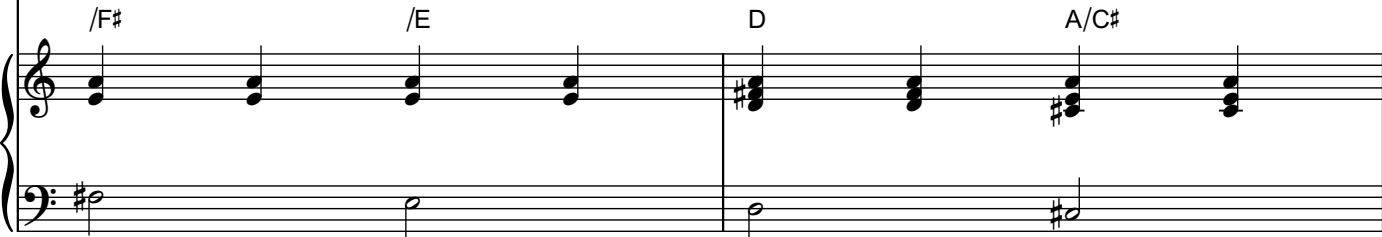
S. 

A. 

"And now, after the many testimonies which
have been given of him, this is the testimony, last of all, which we give of him: That he lives!

T. 

B. 

Pno. 

120

S.

A.

T.

B.

Pno.

For we saw him, even on the right hand of God; and we heard the voice bearing record
that he is the Only Begotten of the Father- That by him, and
through him, and of him,

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123

S.

A.

T.

B.

Pno.

We de -
the worlds are and were created, and the inhabitants thereof are begotten sons and daughters unto God."
We de -
We de -
We de -

D A/C# Bm7 E7sus4 E

125 **F**

S. -clare in words of so - lem - ni - ty that His priest - hood and His Church have been re -

A. -clare in words of so - lem - ni - ty that His priest - hood and His Church have been re -

T. -clare in words of so - lem - ni - ty that His priest - hood and His Church have been re -

B. -clare in words of so - lem - ni - ty that His priest - hood and His Church have been re -

Pno. A E/G# F#m7 E A/E Fm⁽⁵⁾ D(add6) D

129

S. - stored up - on the earth. "Built up - on the found - a - tion of a - post - les and pro - phets,

A. - stored up - on the earth. "Built up - on the found - a - tion of a - post - les and pro - phets,

T. - stored up - on the earth. "Built up - on the found - a - tion of a - post - les and pro - phets,

B. - stored up - on the earth. "Built up - on the found - a - tion of a - post - les and pro - phets,

Pno. Bm Bm6/D Esus4 E A A/C# D Bm7

135

S. Je - sus Christ him - self be - ing the chief corn - er - stone."

A. Je - sus Christ him - self be - ing the chief corn - er - stone."

T. Je - sus Christ him - self be - ing the chief corn - er - stone."

B. Je - sus Christ him - self be - ing the chief corn - er - stone."

Pno. A F#m7 D E7 A

139 **G**

S.

A.

Narrator 3: We testify that He will someday return to the earth. "And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together."

T.

B.

Pno. F G F G

143 **Allegro** ♩ = 77 **accel.**.....

S. He will rule as King of Kings and reign as Lord of Lords, and e - very knee shall bend_____ and

A. He will rule as King of Kings and reign as Lord of Lords, and e - very knee shall bend_____ and

T. He will rule as King of Kings and reign as Lord of Lords, and e - very knee shall bend_____ and

B. He will rule as King of Kings and reign as Lord of Lords, and e - very knee shall bend_____ and

F G/F F G/F Dm7 G/D C Dm G

Pno.

149

S. e - very tongue shall speak_____ in wor - - - ship_____ be - fore Him._____

A. e - very tongue shall speak_____ in wor - - - ship_____ be - fore Him._____

T. e - very tongue shall speak_____ in wor - - - ship_____ be - fore Him._____

B. e - very tongue shall speak_____ in wor - - - ship_____ be - fore Him._____

Em Am F Gsus2 Am Fsus2

Pno.

155

S. Each of us will stand to be judged of Him ac - cord - ing to our

A. Each of us will stand to be judged of Him ac - cord - ing to our

T. Each of us will stand to be judged of Him ac - cord - ing to our

B. Each of us will stand to be judged of Him ac - cord - ing to our

Pno. F G Am F G Am F G

160 rit.

S. works and the de - sir - es of our hearts.

A. works and the de - sir - es of our hearts.

T. works and the de - sir - es of our hearts.

B. works and the de - sir - es of our hearts.

Pno. A F G G#m(♯5)

H Largo ♩ = 60

163

S.

A.

T.

B.

Group Narration: We bear testimony- that Jesus is the
Living Christ,
the immortal Son of God. He is the
great King Immanuel,
who stands today on the right hand of

Pno.

167

I

S. He is the light, the life, and the hope of all the world. His way

A. His Father. He is the light, the life, and the hope of all the world. His way

T. He is the light, the life, and the hope of all the world. His way

B. He is the light, the life, and the hope of all the world. His way

Pno.

170 **accel.....**

S. is the path that leads to hap - pi - ness in this life,

A. is the path that leads to hap - pi - ness in this life,

T. is the path that leads to hap - pi - ness in this life, and e ter - nal -

B. is the path that leads to hap - pi - ness in this life, and e - ter - nal

Pno. A/F# /E D(add2) Dsus2

173

S. e - ter - nal life in the world to come. God be thanked for the match - less gift,

A. e - ter - nal life in the world to come. God be thanked for the match - less gift,

T. -life, in the world to come. God be thanked for the match - less gift,

B. life, in the world to come. God be thanked for the match - less gift,

Pno. A/B Esus4 E D A/C#

176 *rit.*.....

S. the match - less gift of His di - vine His di - vine Son!

A. the match - less gift of His di - vine - Son!

T. the match - less gift of His di - vine - - Son!

B. the match - less gift of His di - vine His di - vine Son!

Pno. Am/C Bm7 D Bm7/E F G A

180

S.

A.

T.

B.

Pno. Gm(add9) E7sus4(5) A