

# Child in a Manger

(duet)

Tenderly ♩ = 90

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The first system of the piano introduction consists of two staves. The right hand plays a continuous eighth-note accompaniment in G major, 3/4 time. The left hand plays a series of sustained chords, primarily triads, in the bass register. A piano dynamic marking (*p*) is placed at the beginning of the first measure.

8 *mp*

Ba - by so love - ly and pure \_\_\_\_\_ Lord of the hea - ven and

The second system features a vocal line on a single staff and piano accompaniment on two staves. The vocal line begins at measure 8 with a mezzo-piano (*mp*) dynamic. The lyrics are: "Ba - by so love - ly and pure \_\_\_\_\_ Lord of the hea - ven and". The piano accompaniment continues with the eighth-note accompaniment in the right hand and sustained chords in the left hand.

15

earth \_\_\_\_\_ Laid in a man - ger to rest \_\_\_\_\_ Dream - ing in

The third system continues the vocal and piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins at measure 15 with the lyrics: "earth \_\_\_\_\_ Laid in a man - ger to rest \_\_\_\_\_ Dream - ing in". The piano accompaniment remains consistent with the previous systems.

22

*poco rit.* . . . **A tempo**

slum - ber blessed \_\_\_\_\_ Sleep while the cho - rus a - bove us is swell - ing and

29

le - gions are tell - ing good ti - dings of joy Sleep while the an - gels sing car - ols so

36

*rit.* . . . . . **A tempo**

sweet \_\_\_\_\_ Child in a man - ger, sleep \_\_\_\_\_

*p*

44

*mp*

Born as the shep-herds a - bid

51

Keep-ing their flocks in the night Laid in a man-ger to

58

*mp*

rest Cra - dled in ten - der - ness Sleep while they

65

haste through the dark-ness to find thee and kneel down be-side thee in won-der and awe

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72

Sleep while the an-gels watch o-ver their sheep

Sleep while the an-gels watch o-ver their sheep Child in a man-ger,

rit.

mp

79

A tempo

sleep

rit. . . . A tempo, expansively

86

*mf* *rubato*

Born of the mer - cy of God \_\_\_\_\_ Gift of His in - fin - ite

*mf* *rubato*

*mf* *rubato*

93

love \_\_\_\_\_ Laid in a man - ger to rest \_\_\_\_\_

*poco rit.* . . . *A tempo*

Sleep, Son of Ho - li - ness \_\_\_\_\_ Sleep while the star-light a -

*rit.* . . . . .

round us is fall - ing and an - gels are call - ing, "Come wor - ship the King!"

111 **A tempo** *mf* **molto rit.** *mp*

Sleep while the Fa - ther en - folds us in peace \_\_\_\_\_ Child in a man-ger,

*mf* *mp* *p*

118 **A tempo, peacefully** *p* **molto rit.** . . . .

sleep \_\_\_\_\_

*p*