

Misc.  
CANTATA 15

Commissioned by the Chancel Choir, First United Methodist Church, Omaha, USA, for Mel Olson

# A GAELIC BLESSING

Words adapted from  
an old Gaelic rune

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Flowing and tranquil (♩ = 84)

Soprano  
Alto

Tenor  
Bass

Organ\*

Ch.

*p* Sw.

Deep peace of the run-ning wave to you, —  
Deep peace to

Deep peace of the flow-ing air to you, —  
you, Deep peace to you, —

\*The right hand of the organ part may alternatively be played on guitar.

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Deep peace of the quiet earth to you, Deep peace

Deep peace of the earth to you, Deep peace

earth to you, Deep

*mp*

*mp*

The first system of the musical score consists of three staves. The top staff is a vocal line in treble clef with lyrics: "Deep peace of the quiet earth to you, Deep peace". The middle staff is a vocal line in bass clef with lyrics: "Deep peace of the earth to you, Deep peace" and "earth to you, Deep". The bottom staff is a piano accompaniment in bass clef. The key signature has three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and the time signature is 4/4. Dynamics include *mp* (mezzo-piano) in the vocal lines and *p* (piano) in the piano accompaniment.

of the shining stars to you, Deep peace of the gentle

of the stars to you, Deep peace of

peace of the

*p*

*p*

The second system of the musical score consists of three staves. The top staff is a vocal line in treble clef with lyrics: "of the shining stars to you, Deep peace of the gentle". The middle staff is a vocal line in bass clef with lyrics: "of the stars to you, Deep peace of" and "peace of the". The bottom staff is a piano accompaniment in bass clef. The key signature has three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and the time signature is 4/4. Dynamics include *p* (piano) in the vocal lines and *p* (piano) in the piano accompaniment.

night — to you. Moon and stars — pour their heal-ing light — on

night — to you. Moon and stars pour light on

The first system of music features a vocal line in the upper staff and a piano accompaniment in the lower staff. The vocal line begins with the lyrics "night — to you. Moon and stars — pour their heal-ing light — on" and includes a dynamic marking of *mp*. The piano accompaniment consists of a steady eighth-note pattern in the right hand and chords in the left hand, with a dynamic marking of *mp*.

you. Deep peace of Christ. — of —

you. — Deep peace — of — Christ. — of

The second system of music continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line has the lyrics "you. Deep peace of Christ. — of —" and includes dynamic markings of *p* and *cresc.*. The piano accompaniment features a similar eighth-note pattern in the right hand, with dynamic markings of *p* and *cresc.* in the left hand.

Christ *cresc.* the light *f* of the world to you, *dim.*  
Christ the light of the world to  
Christ, of Christ the light of the world to

The first system of the musical score consists of three staves. The top staff is a vocal line in treble clef with lyrics: "Christ *cresc.* the light *f* of the world to you, *dim.*". The middle staff is a vocal line in bass clef with lyrics: "Christ the light of the world to". The bottom staff is a piano accompaniment in grand staff with lyrics: "Christ, of Christ the light of the world to". The piano part features a melodic line in the right hand and a harmonic accompaniment in the left hand, with dynamic markings *mf cresc.*, *f*, and *dim.*

Deep *mp* peace of Christ *dim.* to you. *pp* *rall.*  
you, Deep peace of Christ Christ to to you.  
you, Deep peace of Chrst to you.

The second system of the musical score consists of three staves. The top staff is a vocal line in treble clef with lyrics: "Deep *mp* peace of Christ *dim.* to you. *pp* *rall.*". The middle staff is a vocal line in bass clef with lyrics: "you, Deep peace of Christ Christ to to you.". The bottom staff is a piano accompaniment in grand staff with lyrics: "you, Deep peace of Chrst to you.". The piano part features a melodic line in the right hand and a harmonic accompaniment in the left hand, with dynamic markings *mp*, *p*, *dim.*, and *pp*.