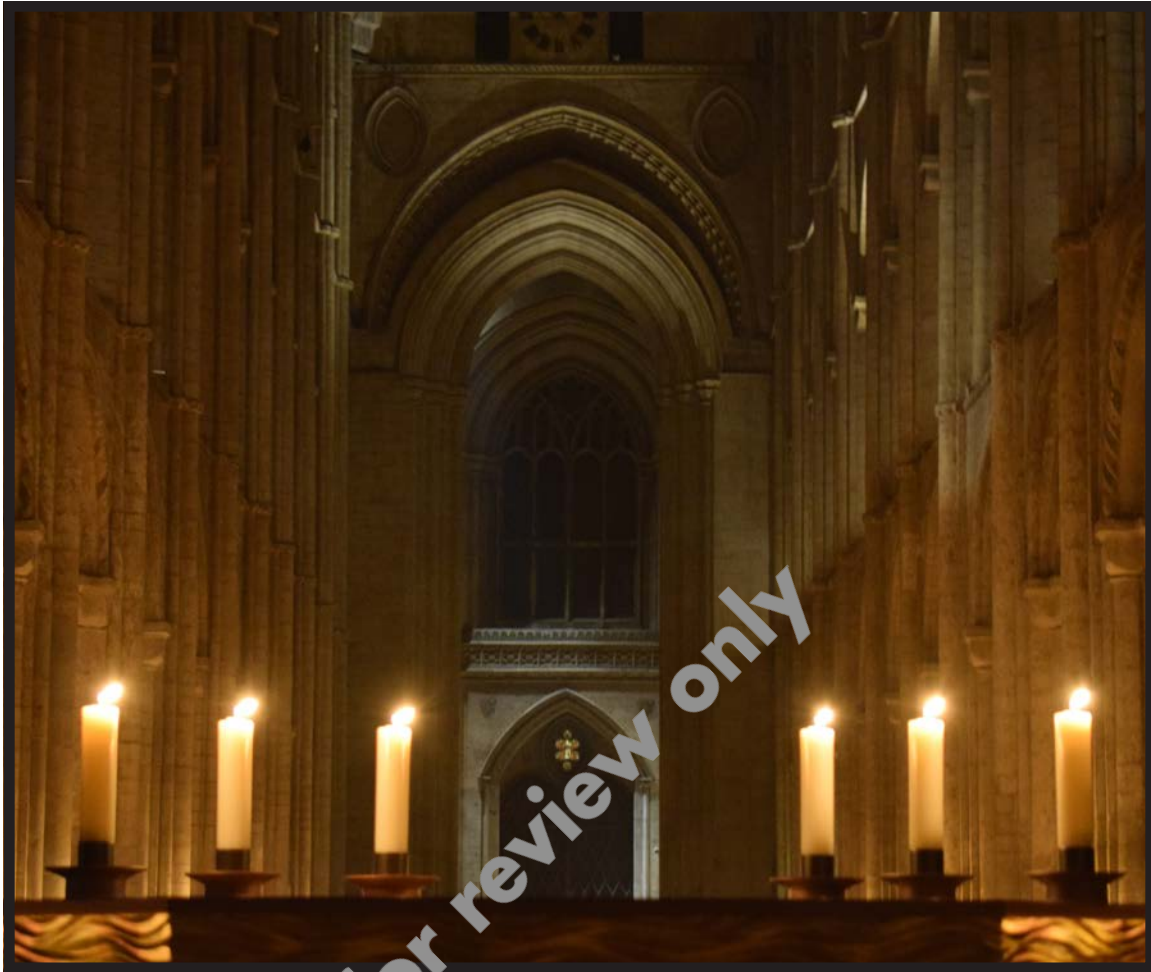


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SATB double chorus, *a cappella*

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Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
and in fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly-minded,
for, with blessing in his hand,
Christ our God to earth descendeth,
our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture,
in the body and the blood,
he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heav'nly food.

Rank on rank the hosts of heaven
spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of light descendeth
from the realms of endless day,
that the pow'rs of hell may vanish
as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph,
cherubim, with sleepless eye,
veil their faces to the presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry,
“Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, Lord most high!”

—Liturgy of St. James, ca. 5th cent.;
tr. G. Moultrie (1829–1885).

for Cathy Daniel, with gratitude; and in memory of my father, Abner Martin

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Lento

Choir I.
A. *p* Si - - - - - lence,
Keep si - - - - -

Choir II.
B. *p* Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - - - - -
Keep si - lence, Keep keep si - lence, keep keep si - lence, keep keep si - lence,
Let all mor - tal flesh keep si lence, keep si - - - - -

Lento
for rehearsal *p*

7
S. *p* Keep si - - - - - lence, keep si - - - - - lence,
si - - - - - lence,
lence, keep si - lence, keep si - lence, keep si - lence, keep si - lence, keep si - lence, keep
lence, keep si - - - - - lence, keep si - lence, keep si - - - - - lence, keep
si - lence, keep si - lence, keep si - lence, keep si - lence, keep si - lence, keep si - lence, keep
lence, keep si - - - - - lence, keep si - lence, keep si - - - - - lence,

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A

mp Let all mor-tal flesh keep si-lence, and in fear and trem-bling stand

si - - - - lence, keep

si - lence, keep si - lence, keep si - lence, keep si - lence, keep

A

mp

17

for with bless-ing, *mf* Christ our

pon-der noth-ing earth-ly mind-ed, for with bless-ing in his hand,

si - lence, keep si - lence, keep si - lence, *mf* Christ our

si - lence, keep si - lence, keep si - lence, *mf* Christ our

mf

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21 God
f Christ our God to earth de-scend - eth, *mp* our full hom-age to de -

God
f our God to earth de-scend - ed,

God
mp our God to earth de-scend - ed, our hom-age to de -

25 **B**
mand. *mf* King of Kings, *p* yet— born of Ma -
mf King of Kings, *mp* King of Kings,
King of Kings,
mf King of Kings, King of Kings, King of Kings, *p* yet— born of Ma -
mand. King of Kings, —

B
mf *p*

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30

ry, as of old on earth he stood, Lord of Lords in hu - man - ves - ture,
Lord of Lords, Lord of Lords,

ry As of old on earth he stood Lord of Lords in hu-man ves - ture, —
Born — of — Mar-y as of old

35

in the bod - y and the blood, He will give to all the faith - ful
He will give the faith - ful
He will give to all the faith - ful
He will give to all the faith - ful
He will give to all the faith - ful
He will give to all the faith - ful

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40 **C** *p* *pp* *f* Rank on rank the hosts of
his own self. Rank on rank the hosts of
Rank on rank the hosts of
mf his own self for heav'n-ly food. Rank on rank the hosts of
Rank on rank the hosts of
p *pp* *f* Rank on rank the hosts of
his own self Rank on rank the hosts of
p *pp* *f* Rank on rank the hosts of
Rank on rank the hosts of

44 *mf* heav - en spreads its van - guard on the way,
heav - en spreads its van - guard on the way, as the Light of light de -
heav - en spreads its van - guard on the way, as the Light de -
heav - en spreads its van - guard on the way, as the Light of light de -
as the Light de -

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scend - eth from the realms of end - less day that the pow'rs of

scend - eth from the realms of end - less day

scend - eth from the realms of end - less day,

50

Tranquillo

hell, that the pow'rs of hell may van - ish as the dark - ness clears a -

hell, that the pow'rs of hell may van - ish as the dark - ness,

that the pow'rs of hell, may van - ish as the

Tranquillo

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54 way, *rit.* (D) *Misterioso* ♩ = 60

mp dark - - - ness clears a - way. At his feet - - -

dark - - - ness clears a - way.

as the dark-ness clears a - way, a - way.

dark - - - ness, as the dark-ness clears a - way. *pp*

dark - - - ness clears, as the dark-ness clears a - way.

a - - - way.

rit. (D) *Misterioso* ♩ = 60

pp Al - le - - lu - ia, Al - - - le - - lu - - - ia,

the six - wing-ed Ser - aph; Cher - u - bim, with sleep - less - eye,

Al - le - - lu - - - ia, Cher - u - bim, with sleep - less -

p Al - - - le - -

pp Al - le - - lu - ia, al - - - le - - lu - - - ia,

pp Al - le - - lu - ia, al - - - le - - lu - - - ia,

p Al - - - le - -

pp *p*

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Al - - le - lu - ia, Al - - - le - lu - ia, *rall.*

veil their fac-es to the Pres - ence, as with cease-less voice they cry

eye,

lu - - ia, al - le - lu - - - ia,

Al - - - le - mp lu - ia, Al - - - le - lu - ia,

lu - - ia, Al - le - lu - - - ia,

Al - - le - lu - ia, as with cease - less voice they cry,

lu - - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,

mp *mf* *cresc.* *rall.*

Nobilmente

66

“Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Lord - - - most - - - high!”

“Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Lord - - - most - - - high!”

f *rit.*

Nobilmente *rit.*

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