

The Voice

for white voices choir

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Lento misterioso ma con moto

Narrator

Soprano 1

Soprano 2

Mezzo Soprano

Contralto

Voice *p* Voice *sfz* *ff*

5

Ntor.

Spoken:
Repeat rapidly "its the voice/hear the voice/listen to the voice"
(1 entry)

5

Sop. 1

mf

(3 entry)

Sop. 2

mf

(2 entry)

5

Mezzo

mf

(4 entry)

5

CAlt.

mf

18

Ntor.

18

Sop. 1

Musical staff for Soprano 1. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The staff contains a series of rests for the first 12 measures, followed by a half note G4 and a quarter note A4 with a sharp sign. Below the staff, there are three notes with a slur and a wedge-shaped hairpin indicating a crescendo. The word "(air)" is written below the first note. A horizontal line labeled "A" spans the last two measures, with a dynamic marking *p* below it.

Sop. 2

Musical staff for Soprano 2. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The staff contains a series of rests for the first 12 measures, followed by a half note G4 and a quarter note A4. Below the staff, there are three notes with a slur and a wedge-shaped hairpin indicating a crescendo. The word "(air)" is written below the first note. A horizontal line labeled "A" spans the last two measures, with a dynamic marking *p* below it.

18

Mezzo

Musical staff for Mezzo. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The staff contains a series of rests for the first 12 measures, followed by a half note G4 and a quarter note A4. Below the staff, there are three notes with a slur and a wedge-shaped hairpin indicating a crescendo. The word "(air)" is written below the first note. A horizontal line labeled "A" spans the last two measures, with a dynamic marking *p* below it.

18

CAlt.

Musical staff for Contralto. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The staff contains a series of rests for the first 12 measures, followed by a half note G4 and a quarter note A4. Below the staff, there are three notes with a slur and a wedge-shaped hairpin indicating a crescendo. The word "(air)" is written below the first note. A horizontal line labeled "A" spans the last two measures, with a dynamic marking *p* below it.

27

Ntor.

Sop. 1

A

f molto teso e legato

Sop. 2

A

f molto teso e legato

Mezzo

A

f molto teso e legato

CAlt.

A

f molto teso e legato

35

Ntor.

Sop. 1



Musical staff for Soprano 1, starting at measure 35. The staff contains a melodic line with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The melody consists of a series of eighth notes, some beamed together, and a final quarter note. A fermata is placed over the final note. The staff ends with a double bar line.

ff

Sop. 2



Musical staff for Soprano 2, starting at measure 35. The staff contains a melodic line with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The melody consists of a series of eighth notes, some beamed together, and a final quarter note. A fermata is placed over the final note. The staff ends with a double bar line.

ff

Mezzo



Musical staff for Mezzo, starting at measure 35. The staff contains a melodic line with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The melody consists of a series of eighth notes, some beamed together, and a final quarter note. A fermata is placed over the final note. The staff ends with a double bar line.

ff

CAlt.



Musical staff for Contralto, starting at measure 35. The staff contains a melodic line with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The melody consists of a series of eighth notes, some beamed together, and a final quarter note. A fermata is placed over the final note. The staff ends with a double bar line.

ff

46

From the depths arises the Voice, from the enlightened crown of the Great Eternity.

Ntor.

(Narrating slowly and clear. Text and music independent)

mf

46
Sop. 1

Sop. 2

46
Mezzo

46
CAlt.

The musical score consists of four staves, each in treble clef. The Soprano 1 staff contains six measures of whole rests. The Soprano 2 staff contains six measures of whole rests, followed by a melodic line starting in the seventh measure with notes Bb, G, F, Eb, D, and C, all marked with a fermata and a dynamic of *p*. An 'A' is written below the staff at the start of this line. The Mezzo staff contains six measures of whole rests, followed by a melodic line starting in the seventh measure with notes G, F, and E, all marked with a fermata and a dynamic of *p*. An 'A' is written below the staff at the start of this line. The Contralto staff contains six measures of whole rests, followed by a melodic line starting in the seventh measure with notes Bb, G, F, Eb, D, and C, all marked with a fermata and a dynamic of *p*. An 'A' is written below the staff at the start of this line.

52 **It spreads the light of the Eternal Wisdom and claims the fall of endless Darkness. Attend all souls to this appeal and overcome the shadows of wild tides.**

Ntor.

The musical score consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The Soprano 1 staff begins with a dynamic marking of *p* and an accent *^* over the first note. The Soprano 2 staff has a slur over the first two notes. The Mezzo staff has a sharp sign (#) over the first note. The CAlt. staff has a flat sign (b) over the first note. Each staff contains a melodic line with various note values and rests, and a corresponding piano accompaniment line with a slur and a hairpin crescendo.

60

Ntor.

Sop. 1

60 (solo)

hear now the voice and a - rise to the light, a - rise, a - rise. ____

mf con moto

Sop. 2

Mezzo

60

CAlt.

60

Più mosso

63

And so has a revolt begun. War was declared. ,

Ntor.

Sop. 1

63 (tutti)

A - - - - - rise,
p cresc. e accel.

Sop. 2

A - - - - - rise,
p cresc. e accel.

Mezzo

63

A - - - - - rise,
p cresc. e accel.

CAlt.

63

A - - - - - rise,
p cresc. e accel.

Più mosso, molto agitato

66

Ntor. **To this appeal, Darknes arises with fury, fights the Voice and strangles its sound,*****f*** (*agitated, accelerating and increasing the tone of voice until climax in bars 77-80*)

Sop. 1

66

a - - - - - rise, a -

mf

Sop. 2

66

a - - - - - rise, a -

mf

Mezzo

66

Hear the voice, a - rise to the light, a -

mf

CAlt.

66

Hear the voice, a - rise to the light, a -

mf

70

Ntor. stains the purity of the souls and chains its will to a swamp of deafness.

70

Sop. 1

rise, a

70

Sop. 2

rise, a

70

Mezzo

rise to the light, to the light,

70

CAlt.

rise to the light, to the light,

77

Hear now the Voice and arise to the light since is your Redemption.

Ntor.

77

Sop. 1

to the _____ light, to _____ the light. _____

rit.

Sop. 2

to the _____ light, to _____ the light. _____

rit.

77

Mezzo

to the _____ light, to _____ the light. _____

rit.

77

CAlt.

to the _____ light, to _____ the light. _____

rit.

Detailed description: This is a musical score for four vocal parts: Soprano 1, Soprano 2, Mezzo, and CAlt. The score is for measure 77. The lyrics are: "to the _____ light, to _____ the light. _____". Each part has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The Soprano parts have a melodic line with accents and slurs. The Mezzo and CAlt. parts have a more rhythmic line with accents. A "rit." marking with a wedge-shaped deceleration line is present at the end of each vocal line.

Vivo e molto forte, culminazione

81

Ntor.

81

Sop. 1

Hear now the voice and a - rise to the light, to the

ff

Sop. 2

Hear now the voice and a - rise to the light, to the

ff

Mezzo

81

Hear now the voice and a - rise to the light, to the

ff

CAlt.

81

Hear now the voice and a - rise to the light, to the

ff

Meno mosso, allargando, molto legato e teso

83

Ntor.

83



light, _____ the light _____ the light, _____

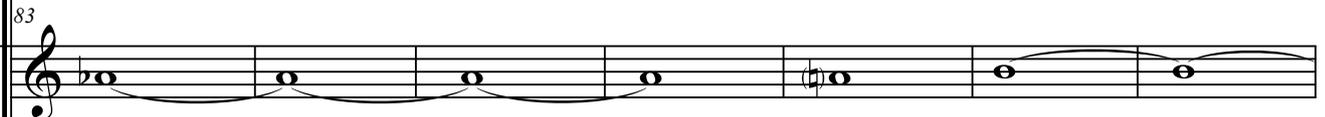
Detailed description: This is the first vocal staff, for Soprano 1. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The music starts at measure 83, marked with a '3' above the staff. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes, some with slurs. The lyrics 'light, _____ the light _____ the light, _____' are written below the staff, with horizontal lines indicating the placement of the notes.



light, _____ light, _____ the _____

Detailed description: This is the second vocal staff, for Soprano 2. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The music starts at measure 83. The melody consists of half notes and whole notes, some with slurs. The lyrics 'light, _____ light, _____ the _____' are written below the staff, with horizontal lines indicating the placement of the notes.

83



light, _____ the light, _____

Detailed description: This is the third vocal staff, for Mezzo. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The music starts at measure 83, marked with a '3' above the staff. The melody consists of half notes and whole notes, some with slurs. The lyrics 'light, _____ the light, _____' are written below the staff, with horizontal lines indicating the placement of the notes.

83



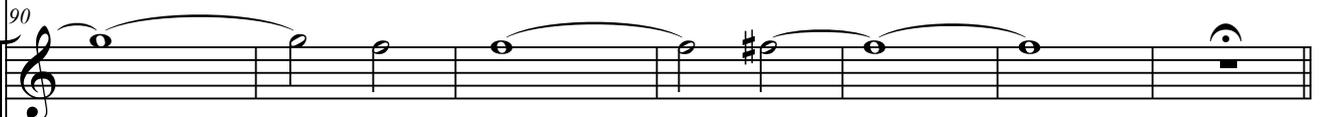
light, _____ the _____ light, _____ light, _____

Detailed description: This is the fourth vocal staff, for CAlt. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The music starts at measure 83, marked with a '3' above the staff. The melody consists of half notes and whole notes, some with slurs. The lyrics 'light, _____ the _____ light, _____ light, _____' are written below the staff, with horizontal lines indicating the placement of the notes.

90

Ntor.

Sop. 1

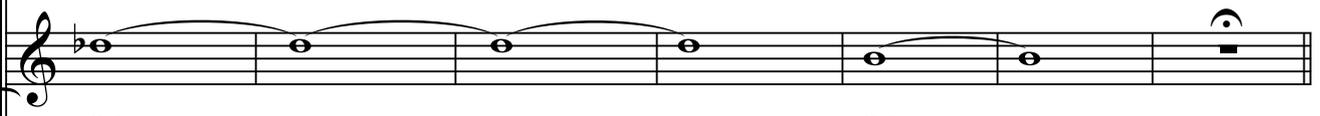


90

_____ the light. _____

Detailed description: This is the first vocal staff, for Soprano 1. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The tempo marking '90' is placed above the staff. The melody consists of a series of quarter notes: G4, A4, Bb4, C5, D5, E5, F#5, G5, A5, B5, C6. The lyrics 'the light.' are written below the notes. A fermata is placed over the final note, C6. A dynamic hairpin (crescendo) is shown below the staff, starting under the 'light.' and tapering off towards the end of the staff.

Sop. 2



light, _____ light. _____

Detailed description: This is the second vocal staff, for Soprano 2. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The tempo marking '90' is placed above the staff. The melody consists of a series of quarter notes: G4, A4, Bb4, C5, D5, E5, F#5, G5, A5, B5, C6. The lyrics 'light, _____ light. _____' are written below the notes. A fermata is placed over the final note, C6. A dynamic hairpin (crescendo) is shown below the staff, starting under the second 'light.' and tapering off towards the end of the staff.

Mezzo



90

_____ the light, _____ the light. _____

Detailed description: This is the third vocal staff, for Mezzo. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The tempo marking '90' is placed above the staff. The melody consists of a series of quarter notes: G4, A4, Bb4, C5, D5, E5, F#5, G5, A5, B5, C6. The lyrics '_____ the light, _____ the light. _____' are written below the notes. A fermata is placed over the final note, C6. A dynamic hairpin (crescendo) is shown below the staff, starting under the second 'light,' and tapering off towards the end of the staff.

CAlt.



90

_____ light. _____

Detailed description: This is the fourth vocal staff, for Contralto. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The tempo marking '90' is placed above the staff. The melody consists of a series of quarter notes: G4, A4, Bb4, C5, D5, E5, F#5, G5, A5, B5, C6. The lyrics '_____ light. _____' are written below the notes. A fermata is placed over the final note, C6. A dynamic hairpin (crescendo) is shown below the staff, starting under the 'light.' and tapering off towards the end of the staff.

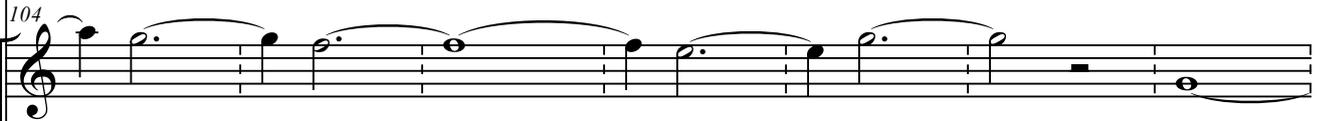
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Ntor.

Redemption has arrived

Light has survived.

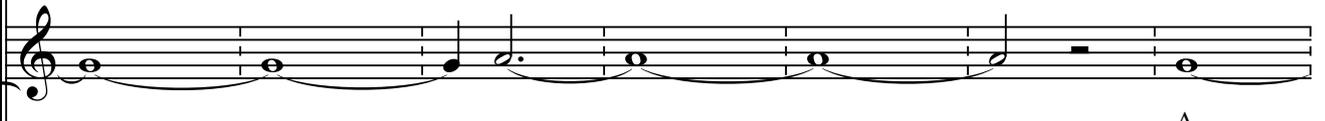
Sop. 1



Musical staff for Soprano 1, starting at measure 104. The staff contains a melodic line with eighth and quarter notes, some with slurs and accents. The notes are: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4.

A _____
dim.

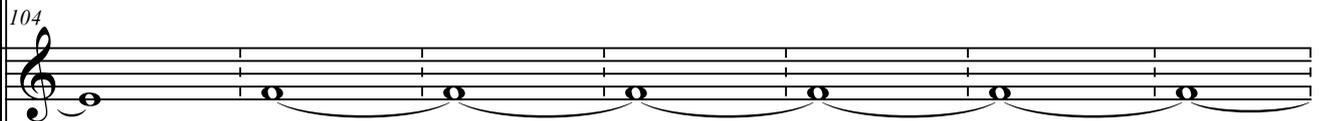
Sop. 2



Musical staff for Soprano 2, starting at measure 104. The staff contains a melodic line with quarter and eighth notes, some with slurs. The notes are: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4.

A _____
dim.

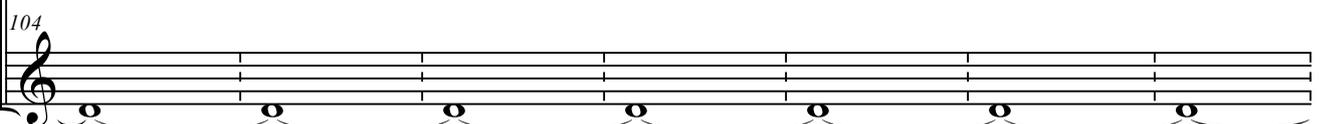
Mezzo



Musical staff for Mezzo, starting at measure 104. The staff contains a melodic line with quarter notes, some with slurs. The notes are: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4.

dim.

CAlt.



Musical staff for CAlt., starting at measure 104. The staff contains a melodic line with quarter notes, some with slurs. The notes are: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4.

dim.

III

Ntor.

III

Sop. 1

Musical staff for Soprano 1. The staff contains a sequence of notes: a half note G4, a quarter rest, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter rest, a quarter note B4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, a quarter rest, a half note F4, and a quarter note E4. The notes G4, A4, and B4 are each followed by a horizontal line with the letter 'A' underneath, indicating a vocal exercise or breath mark.

III

Sop. 2

Musical staff for Soprano 2. The staff contains a sequence of notes: a half note G4, a quarter rest, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter rest, a quarter note B4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, a quarter rest, a half note F4, and a quarter note E4. The notes G4, A4, and B4 are each followed by a horizontal line with the letter 'A' underneath, indicating a vocal exercise or breath mark.

III

Mezzo

Musical staff for Mezzo. The staff contains a sequence of seven half notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, and G4. Each note is connected to the next by a slur. Below the staff is a horizontal line.

III

CAlt.

Musical staff for Contralto. The staff contains a sequence of seven half notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, and G4. Each note is connected to the next by a slur. Below the staff is a horizontal line.

118

Ntor.

118

Sop. 1

118

Sop. 2

118

Mezzo

118

CAlt.

(air)

The image displays a musical score for four voices: Ntor., Sop. 1, Sop. 2, Mezzo, and CAlt. Each voice part is written on a five-line staff with a treble clef. The Ntor. part is a single horizontal line. The Sop. 1 and Sop. 2 parts consist of a series of eighth notes. The Mezzo part begins with a half note followed by a slur over several notes. The CAlt. part features a long slur starting with a half note, followed by a section marked '(air)' with a long slur and a fermata. Below the CAlt. staff are two additional horizontal lines.