

# A Prayer

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*♩ = 72*      2      3      4      5      *p* 6      7

Soprán

O Lord, the hard-won miles have

Alt

*p express.*

Óó\_\_\_\_\_ oo\_\_\_\_\_ O Lord, the hard-won miles have

Tenor

*p express.*

Óó\_\_\_\_\_ oo\_\_\_\_\_ O Lord, the hard-won miles have

Bas

*p express.*

Óó\_\_\_\_\_ oo\_\_\_\_\_ O Lord, the hard-won miles have

8      9      10 *with warmth*      11      12 *poco piú mosso*

S.

worn my stum-ling feet: Oh, soothe me with Thy smiles, and make\_\_\_\_\_

A.

worn my stum-ling feet: Oh, soothe me with Thy smile, make\_\_\_\_\_

T.

worn my stum-ling feet: Oh, soothe me with Thy smile, make\_\_\_\_\_

B.

worn my stum-ling feet: Oh, - soothe me with Thy smile, make,

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13 *rall.* 14 *a tempo* 15 16 17 18 19

S. *my life com - plete.*

A. *my life com- oo oo* *p express.*

T. *my life com- oo oo* *p express.*

B. *make my life com- oo oo* *p express.*

20 *mf* 21 22 23 24

S. *The torns were thick and keen where - e'er I trem - bling trod. The*

A. *The torns were thick and keen where - e'er I trem - bling trod. The* *mf*

T. *The torns were thick and keen where - e'er I trem - bling trod. The* *mf*

B. *where - e'er I trem - bling trod. The* *mf*

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25 *poco più mosso* 26 27 28 *rall.* 29 30

S. way was long be - tween, my wound - ed feet and God. Where

A. way \_\_\_\_\_ was long be - tween, \_\_\_\_\_ wound - ed \_\_\_\_\_ feet and \_\_\_\_\_ God. Where

T. way \_\_\_\_\_ was long be - tween, \_\_\_\_\_ wound - ed \_\_\_\_\_ feet and \_\_\_\_\_ God. Where

B. way \_\_\_\_\_ was long be - tween, \_\_\_\_\_ wound - ed \_\_\_\_\_ feet and \_\_\_\_\_ God. Where

31 *f* 32 33 34 *ff*

S. heal - ing wa - ters flow, do Thou my foot - steps lead. My

A. heal - ing wa - ters flow, \_\_\_\_\_ do \_\_\_\_\_ Thou my foot - steps lead. \_\_\_\_\_ My

T. heal - ing wa - ters flow, \_\_\_\_\_ do \_\_\_\_\_ Thou my foot - steps lead. \_\_\_\_\_ My

B. heal - ing wa - ters flow. \_\_\_\_\_ do \_\_\_\_\_ Thou my foot - steps lead. \_\_\_\_\_ My

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SOLO (volitelně, improvizovaně)

35 36 37 38 *p* **rall.**

S. heart is ach-ing, ach-ing, ach - ing so; Thy gra - - ing so - - cious

A. heart is ach-ing, ach-ing so; gra - - cious

T. heart is ach-ing so; gra - - cious

B. heart is ach-ing so; gra - - cious

39 40 41 42 43 44 45 *pp* 46

S. balm I need. oo A - men.

A. feet and oo oo A - men.

T. balm I oo oo A - men.

B. balm I oo oo A - men.

*p express.* *pp*