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for SATB Chorus with Oboe and Harp

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Andante con moto

Oboe Harp

S 4 **Tutti Chorus (unis.)** **mp**
A
T
B (*T & B an octave lower*) There is heard a hymn when the panes are dim, And

Ob.

Hp.

S 7 **mf**
nev - er be - fore or a - gain, When the nights are strong with a
A
T
B nev - er be - fore or a - gain, When the nights are strong with a
Ob.

Hp.

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S dark - ness long, And the dark is a - live with rain.

A dark - ness long, And the dark is a - live with rain.

T 8 dark - ness long, And the dark is a - live with rain.

B dark - ness long, And the dark is a - live with rain.

Ob.

Hp.

f

f

f

f

13 *p*

S Nev - er we know but in sleet and in snow, The place where the great fires

A Nev - er we know but in sleet and in snow, The place where the great fires

T 8 Nev - er we know but in sleet and in snow, The place where the great fires

B Nev - er we know but in sleet and in snow, The place where the great fires

Ob.

Hp.

p

p

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16 *poco più mosso*

S are, _____ That the midst of the earth is a rag - ing mirth And the
 A are, _____ That the midst of the earth is a rag - ing mirth And the
 T are, _____ That the midst of the earth is a rag - ing mirth And the
 B are, _____ That the midst of the earth is a rag - ing mirth And the
 Ob.
 Hp.

16 *f*
f
f

19 *a tempo*

S heart of the earth a star. And at night we win to the
 A heart of the earth a star. And at night we win to the
 T heart of the earth a star. And at night we win to the
 B heart of the earth a star. And at night we win to the
 Ob.
 Hp.

19 *ff*
ff
ff

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22

S an - cient inn Where the child in the frost is furled, We

A an - cient inn Where the child in the frost is furled, We

T 8 an - cien inn Where the child in the frost is furled, We

B an - cien inn Where the child in the frost is furled, We

Ob.

Hp. 22

poco più mosso

f

f

f

f

a tempo

25

S fol - low the feet where all souls meet At the inn at the end of the

A fol - low the feet where all souls meet At the inn at the end of the

T 8 fol - low the feet where all souls meet At the inn at the end of the

B fol - low the feet where all souls meet At the inn at the end of the

Ob.

Hp. 25

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Soprano (S) *mp*
 world. The gods lie dead where the leaves lie red, For the

Alto (A) *mp*
 world. The gods lie dead where the leaves lie red, For the

Tenor (T) *mp*
 world. The gods lie dead where the leaves lie red, For the

Bass (B) *mp*
 world. The gods lie dead where the leaves lie red, For the

Ob. *mp*

Horn (Hp.) *mp*

28

Horn (Hp.) *mp*

31

Soprano (S) *mf*
 flame of the sun is flown, The gods lie cold where the

Alto (A) *mf*
 flame of the sun is flown, The gods lie cold where the

Tenor (T) *mf*
 flame of the sun is flown, The gods lie cold where the

Bass (B) *mf*
 flame of the sun is flown, The gods lie cold where the

Ob.

Horn (Hp.) *mf*

31

Horn (Hp.) *mf*

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34

S leaves lie gold, And a Child comes forth a - lone. The

A leaves lie gold, And a Child comes forth a - lone. The

T leaves lie gold, And a Child comes forth a - lone. The

B leaves lie gold, And a Child comes forth a - lone. The

Ob.

Hp.

37 *poco meno mosso*

S gods lie cold where the leaves lie gold, And a Child comes forth a -
rit.

A gods lie cold where the leaves lie gold, And a Child comes forth a -
rit.

T gods lie cold where the leaves lie gold, And a Child comes forth a -
rit.

B gods lie cold where the leaves lie gold, And a Child comes forth a -
rit.

Ob.

Hp.

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S lone.

A lone.

T 8 lone.

B lone.

Ob. *a tempo*

Hp. *pp* *mp*

43 *rit.*

Ob.

Hp. *rit.*

8:

Detailed description: The musical score consists of six staves. The top four staves (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) each have a single sustained note followed by a rest. The Oboe staff has a melodic line with dynamics 'a tempo' and 'mp'. The Double Bass staff has a rhythmic pattern with dynamics 'pp' and 'mp'. In measure 43, both the Oboe and Double Bass staves show eighth-note patterns with a ritardando indicated by a curved line above the notes.