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A child is born for us

Matthew Dean (b. 1978)
Puer natus est (VII) / Isaiah 9
for Jenny Haworth

♩ = 88

as a striking bell *ecstatic throughout*

Soprano *f* A Child Is Born *mf* A - - - Child - - - ild

Alto *mf* A Child Is Born A - - - Child - - - ild

Tenor *pp* A Child Is Born A - - - - - - -

Bass A Child Is Born

7

S. *mf* is - - - Bo - o - o - o - orn!

A. *mf* is - - - Bo - o - o - o - orn

T. *mp* is - - - Bo - - - o - - - o - orn

B. *mp* is - - - Bo - - - o - - - o - orn

13 **A**

S. *mp* Bo - - o - - orn Son

A. *mp* Bo - - o - - orn Son

T. *mf* A - Child is Born for us A - Son is gi - ven So -

B. *mf* A - Child is Born for us A - Son is gi - ven So -

19 **B**

S. Son *p* and the gov - ern - ment shall be up -

A. Son *p* and the gov - ern -

T. o - - - on

B. o - - - on

22 **C**

S. on His sho - oul - der

A. ment shall be up - on His sho - oul - der

T. *p* and the gov - ern - ment shall be up - on His sho - oul - der a - and his Na -

B. *p* and the gov - ern - ment shall be up - on His sho - oul - der a - and his Na -

freely, as chant

26 *a romantic legato*

S. *mf* Mes sen ger Mes-sen-ger - of gre - at

A. Mes sen ger Mes-sen-ger of gre - at

T. meshall be cal - led *mf* Mes sen ger Mes-sen-ger of gre - at

B. meshall be cal - led "Mes sen ger Mes-sen-ger of gre - at

32 **D** *renewed; detached* *sop. carry through here first time*

S. *mf* coun - sel Si - ng to the Lord a - a new so - ng for he has do - ne mar ve lous thi - ngs

A. coun - sel *mp* sing to the *simile (all parts)*

T. coun - sel *mp* sing to the - - - -

B. coun - sel. *mp*

(low D optional)

38 *mf* Si - ng to the Lo- rd a - a new so - ng for he has do - ne mar ve lous thi - ngs *mf* Si - ng to the Lo ord a - a new so - ng

A. Si - ng to the Lo ord a - a new so - ng

T. *mf* Si - ng to the Lo ord a - a new so - ng

B. Si - ng to the Lo ord a - a new so - ng

E

a Babel! Approximate / quasi-aleatoric. Gradual decrescendo.

44

S. for he has do - ne mar-ve-lous thi - ngs Si - ng

A. for he has do - ne mar-ve-lous thi - ngs Si - ng to the Lo -

T. for he has do - ne mar-ve-lous thi - ngs Si - ng to the Lo - ord a - a

B. for he has do - ne mar-ve-lous thi - ngs Si - ng to the Lo - ord a - a new so -

47

S. to the Lo - ord a - a new so - ng for he has do - ne mar - ve - lous thi - ngs

A. ord a - a new so - ng for he has do - ne mar - ve - lous thi - ngs Si -

T. new so - ng for he has do - ne mar - ve - lous thi - ngs Si - ng to the

B. ng for he has do - ne mar - ve - lous thi - ngs Si - ng to the Lo - ord a -

49

S. Si - ng to the Lo - ord a - a new so - ng for he has do - ne mar - ve -

A. ng to the Lo - ord a - a new so - ng for he has do - ne mar - ve - lous thi -

T. Lo - ord a - a new so - ng for he has do - ne mar - ve - lous thi - ngs

B. a new so - ng for he has do - ne mar - ve - lous thi - ngs

51 **F** *a bell strikes anew* *ecstatic throughout*

S. lous thi - ngs A Son Is Giv'n A - - -

A. ngs A Son Is Giv'n A - - -

T. A Son Is Giv'n A - - -

B. A Son Is Giv'n A - - -

f *mf* *p* *pp*

56

S. Chi - i - ild is - - -

A. Chi i - ild is - - -

T. - - - *mp* is - - -

B. - - - *mp* is - - -

mf *mp*

60

S. Bo - o - o - orn!

A. Bo - o - o - orn

T. Bo - - - o - orn

B. Bo - - - o - orn

64

S. Bo - - - - - orn

A. Bo - - - - - orn

T. *mf* and the Gov - ern - ment shall rest square up - on His shoul - der

B. *mf* and the Gov - ern - ment shall rest square up - on His shoul - der

68

S. Son - - - - - Son - - - - -

A. Son - - - - - Son - - - - -

T. Son - - - - - Son - - - - -

B. Son - - - - - Son - - - - -

72 **G**

S. *mf* For to us is born a Child For to us is born a Child For to us is born a Child

A. For to us is born a Child For to us is born a Child For to us is born a Child

T. *mf* For to us is born a Child For to us is born a Child For to us is born a Child

B. For to us is born a Child For to us is born a Child For to us is born a Child

f *ff*