

Sleep, Holy Child

Thomas Pavlechko

for John Ayer and the Memphis Chamber Choir

Ruth Duck

Thomas Pavlechko, based on his tune DEWYANE

Tempo rubato (♩ = ca. 92-96)

Sw.: 8' String Celeste

Organ

Ped.: light 16', Sw. to Ped.

S. Sleep, now hid a - way from hu - man heart - break, hate — and

A. Sleep, ho - ly child, — now hid a - way — from hu - man heart - break, hate and

T. Sleep, ho - ly child, — now hid a - way — from hu - man heart - break, hate — and

B. Sleep, now hid a - way hu - man heart - break, hate, and

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strife. What will you know of peace - ful days when ev - en now they

strife. — What will you know of peace - ful days — when ev - en now they

strife. What will you know of peace - ful days when now they

strife. What will you know of peace - ful days when they

a cappella

22

stalk your life? — — — — —

stalk your life? — — — — — rest comes

stalk — your life? — — — — — rest comes,

stalk your life? — — — — — Rest, Lamb of God, for comes the

+ 8' flutes

Ped. + light 32'

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mp *sub. p* Sleep sound - ly
comes the day earth will judge you, strike you, scorn, sleep
mp *sub. p*
comes when earth will judge you, strike you, scorn. — Sleep sound - ly
judge you, strike you, scorn.
day earth will judge, strike, scorn. Sleep,

a cappella

36

rall. *p*
now as Mar - y smiles in her arms new born.
p
now Mar - y smiles in her arms new - born.
p
now as Mar - y smiles and holds you in her arms new - born.
p
now Mar - y smiles and holds you in her arms, new - born.
rall.

Man. Ped.

43 *a tempo*

8' Flute

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S.I. Shine fra-gile life this night— in sleep,— un - know - ing, sigh,— and nod,

S.II. Shine fra-gile life this star - ry night, in sleep, un - know - ing, sigh,— and nod,

A. Shine fra-gile life— this star-ry night,— in sleep,— un - know - ing, sigh, and nod,— for

T. Shine fra-gile life— this star-ry night,— in sleep,— un - know - ing, sigh,— and nod,

B. Shine this star-ry night, sleep, un - know - ing, sigh, and nod,

+ Sw. to Sw. 4'

Ped.

59

rall. *rit.*

S.I. for none can o - ver - come the light that comes from God.

S.II. for none on earth can o - ver - come the light in you that comes from God.

A. none on earth can o - ver, o - ver - come the light in you that comes from God.

T. for none on earth can o - ver - come the light that comes from God.

B. for none on earth can o - ver - come light that comes from God.

rall. - Sw. 4' *rit.*