

Commissioned by the University of St. Thomas Liturgical Choir,  
St. Paul, Minnesota, in celebration of its 30th Anniversary 1977–2007,  
Robert Strusinski, conductor

# 1. A Simple Gloria

M. K. Dean  
(b. 1950)

LIBBY LARSEN  
(b. 1950)

**Serene, clear** ♩ = 76

**SOPRANO ALTO**

*mf*

And it was in a sim-ple Glo - ri - a that qui - et morn,

**TENOR BASS**

*mf*

5

And it was in a sim-ple Glo - ri - a the Child was born.

9

Glo - ri - a

The an - gels sang a sim - ple Glo - ri - a that e - choed gent - ly through the

12

**poco a poco accel. e cresc.**

stars. Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a,

The shep - herds heard the sim - ple Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a,

## 4. D'où viens-tu, bergère?

Trad. Canadian

arr. MARK SIRETT (b. 1952)

trans. MS

**Dolce**  $\text{♩} = 60$  **p**

**SOPRANO**

D'où viens - tu, ber - gè - re? D'où viens -  
Tell us, shep-herd mai - den, where were

**ALTO**

**TENOR**

**BASS**

**Dolce**  $\text{♩} = 60$  **p**

for rehearsal only

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- tu? D'où viens - tu, ber - gè - re? D'où viens - tu?  
you? Tell us, shep-herd mai - den, where were you?

11 *mp*

oo oo oo

*mp*

Je viens de l'é - tab - le, de m'y pro - me - ner, J'ai vu un mi -  
 I've come from the sta - ble, where a star shone bright, There I saw a

*mp*

oo oo oo

*unis. mp*

hm oo oo

*mp*

16 **rit.** *p* **a tempo** (*p*)

oo mm Ah, ber - gè - re,  
 Ah, please tell us,

- ra - cle, ce soir ar - ri - vé. Ah, ber - gè - re,  
 won - der that ar - rived this night. Ah, please tell us,

*p* *mp*

mm mm Qu'as - tu vu, ber - gè - re,  
 What was there? Please tell us,

*p* *unis. (p)*

mm Ah, ber - gè - re,  
 Ah, please tell us,

**rit.** **a tempo**

*p*

# 8. I saw three ships

Trad. English  
arr. KEVIN ROBISON (b. 1966)

**Moderato** ♩ = 116

SOPRANO ALTO

TENOR BASS

PIANO

*f*

con Ped.

Come sail - ing

5

*f* Sail - - - ing!

in, \_\_\_\_\_

come sail - ing

L.H.

9

*f* Sail - - - ing!

in, \_\_\_\_\_

come sail - ing

13

Sail - - - - - ing! I

in..

*unis. mf*

*mf*

17

saw three ships come sail - ing in, On Christ - mas Day, on Christ - mas Day, I

*mp*

21

saw three ships come sail - ing in, On Christ - mas Day in the morn - ing.

25

S. *mf*  
And

A. *mf*  
Sail - - ing in, sail - ing

T. *mf*  
And

B. *mf*  
Sail - ing, sail - ing, sail - ing, sail - ing,

*p*

29

what was in those ships all three? On Christ-mas Day, on Christ-mas Day, And

*mp*  
in, sail - - ing in, sail - ing

what was in those ships all three? On Christ-mas Day, on Christ-mas Day, And

*mp*  
sail - ing, sail - ing, sail - ing, sail - ing,

## 12. Oh, what a wonderful child

Trad. American

arr. ROBERT L. JEFFERSON (b. 1960)

Blues shuffle ♩ = 96

**SOPRANO**  
**ALTO**

*f* > Je - sus, Je - sus,

**TENOR**  
**BASS**

*f* > doom ba ba doom ba doo-ba-da doom ba ba doom ba doo-ba-da

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S. oh, \_\_\_\_\_ what a won - der - ful child,

A. oh, \_\_\_\_\_ what a won - der - ful child,  
oh, \_\_\_\_\_ what a won - der - ful child,

T. B. doom ba doom ba doom ba doom ba doom ba doom ba doom ba

5

S. A. Je - sus, Je - sus, so

T. B. doom ba ba doom ba doo - ba - da doom ba ba doom ba doom ba

7

low - ly, \_\_\_\_\_ meek and mild. \_\_\_\_\_ New

doom ba ba doom ba doom ba doom ba doom ba doom ba doom ba

9

life, new hope, new joy he brings, just

doom ba doom ba doom ba doom ba doom ba doom ba doom ba

11

lis - ten to the an - gels sing:

doom ba ba doom ba doom ba doom ba ba doom ba doo ba

13

Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - - ry to the

doom ba ba doom ba ba doom ba ba doom ba doo - ba - da

15

S. new - - born King!

A. new - - born King!

T. new - - born King!

B. doom ba doo - ba - da doom ba doo - ba - da doom doom ba doom ba doom ba

16b 2.

SOLO *f* SOLO\* *f*

He was he - rald by the

S. A. *mp* King! do wop bop ba

T. B. *mp* doom ba doom ba doom ba doom ba doom ba doo - ba - da

18

an - gels, born in a low - ly

do wop bop ba do wop bop oh

doom ba doom ba doom ba doo - ba - da doom ba doom ba doom ba doom ba

20

man - ger. The vir - gin Ma - ry was his

do wop bop ba oo ah oo ah

doom ba doom ba doom ba doo - ba - da doom ba da doom doo - ba - da

\*The solo can be alternated between a male and female soloist if desired, e.g. on 'Three wise men' (bar 24).  
Bar 29 could be sung by both soloists together.

# 13. On Christmas night

## (Sussex Carol)

Trad. English  
arr. BOB KROGSTAD (b. 1950)

**Light jazz waltz** ♩ = 52

**SOPRANO ALTO** *mp*

**TENOR BASS**

**PIANO** *mp*

**SOPRANOS** *mp*

do dt dt do

do dt dt do do do dt do do do dt do do

*unis. mp*

On Christ - mas night all

11

**T.B.**

Chris - tians sing, To hear the news— the an - gels

16 **SOPRANOS & ALTOS unis.**  
*mp*

S./A. On Christ - mas night all Chris - tians sing, To

**TENORS**  
*p*

T./B. bring. do dt dt do do dt dt do do dt dt do do do dt do

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hear the news\_ the an - gels bring. News of great

do do do do do do do

T. *mp*

B. *mp*

27 *mf* *unis.*

joy, news of great mirth, News of

*mf* *unis.*

33

our mer - ci - ful King's birth.

Ped.

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SOLOIST 1\* *mf*

SOLO Then why should men on

S. A. *mf* dt do do dt do do

T. B. *mf*

45

earth be so sad, Since our Re - deem - er made us

dt do do dt do do dt do do dt do do dt do do

\*Soprano or alto