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MUSIC FOR THE PSALMS

PSALM 22 (Mary's Lament)

O, why have you forsaken him? Why are you so far from his cry, far from the words of his distress?
You brought him from the womb; you kept him safe upon my breast.
Why do you not answer? I have entrusted him to you since his birth.
Be not far away, not far from us; you are our strength.

Adapted from *The Psalter*,
The Book of Common Prayer
St. Benedict: Vigils

Music by Patricia Van Ness (1951)
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Note: Melodic lines and drones pass between parts; please make entrances and releases as seamless as possible.

$\text{♩} = 60$ Soloists Only *mf* sempre molto legato

SOPRANO *mf* sempre molto legato

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MEZZO-SOPRANO *mf* sempre molto legato *mp*

ALTO *mf* sempre molto legato *mp*

O O O why why

6 *mp* **A**

S. why have you for - sa - ken him? why

S. why have you for - sa - ken him?

M.-S. O you for - sa - ken him? O why are you

A. O O (or - (sa - (ken him? O why are you

13 *f* *mf*

S. so far far far from the

S. so so far so far from his cry, far from the

M.-S. so so far far from his cry, far from

A. so so far from

20 **B** Tutti

S. words, of his dis-tress?

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M.-S. words of his, his dis-tress? You brought him from the womb,

A. words words his dis-tress? from the womb,

C Soloists Only

27 *mf*

S. you kept him safe up - on my breast. You do not ans - wer

S. you kept kept him safe up - on my breast. You do not

M.-S. *mf* *mp* *mp* *mf*
 kept him safe safe up - on breast. do not

A. *mp* *mp* *mf*
 you kept safe up - on breast. You you do not ans -

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S. me. I have en-trust - ed him en -

S. ans - wer me, I have en- trust ed him haveen-trust-ed him en -

M.-S. *mf*
 me haveen - trust - ed him en -

A. *mp* *mf* *mp*
 wer have en trust ed him trust-ed him en -

D Tutti

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S. trust-ed him to you from his birth.

S. *mp* *mf*
 trust-ed him to from his birth. Be not

M.-S. *mf*
 trust-ed him to you from his birth. Be not far a - way

A. *mf* *mf*
 trust - ed to you from his birth. a - way

4 42 *mf*

S. Be not far not far a - way, not

S. be be not far not far a - way, not

M.-S. *mp* *mf* *mp*

A. *mp* *mp*

be not far not far a way, not far

48 *mp* *mf*

S. far far from us

S. far far from us far from us.

M.-S. *mp* *mf*

A. *mf* *mp*

far from us us far

52 **F** *mf* Tutti

S. You are our strength our strength.

S. You are our strength our strength.

M.-S. *mf*

A. *mp* *mf* *mp*

You are strength our strength.

You are strength our

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S. A - - - men, a men.

S. A - - - men, a - men.

M.-S. A - - - men, a - men.

A. strength. A - - - men, a - men.