

WHILE THE SNOW LAY SLEEPING

for S.S.A. voices and piano
with optional cello and PianoTrax CD*

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Ethereal ($\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 58$)

PIANO

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SOPRANO I *mp*

SOPRANO II *mp* Long - er days _ are on the

ALTO *mp* Long - er days _ are on the

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run. Earth moves clos - er to the

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This system contains two vocal staves and a piano accompaniment. The vocal staves have lyrics: "run. Earth moves clos - er to the". The piano accompaniment consists of a right-hand treble clef staff with a continuous eighth-note pattern and a left-hand bass clef staff with a similar eighth-note pattern.

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sun. Cool - er winds a - round us

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creep - ing, while the snow lay

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sleep - ing, _____ sleep - ing. _____

sleep - ing, _____ sleep - ing. _____

15

16

Morn-ing skies _____ are turn - ing

17

Morn-ing skies _____ are turn - ing gray. _____

gray. Au-tumn col - ors die a -

19

Au-tumn col - ors die a - way.

way.

Bar-ren trees, _ their vig - il

21

Ah

keep - ing, _

while the snow _ lay

23

cresc.

While the snow _ lay sleep - ing.

sleep - ing, _

, *cresc.*

sleep - ing.

cresc.

25

26

sub. mp gently

The sleep - ing snow _ lies in her

sub. mp gently

The sleep - ing snow _ lies in her

gently sub. mp

27

bed. Earth makes read - y for her dread. _ Then from her slum - ber she will rise, _

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29

cresc. poco a poco

she will rise, _ she will

cresc. poco a poco

she will rise, _ she will

cresc. poco a poco

31 *rit.* rise to fling her fu - ry through the skies, through the
f *a tempo*

rise to fling her fu - ry through the skies, through the
f

rit. *a tempo* *f*

33 8
skies!
skies!

decresc.

36 Bar - ren now the for - est floor,
mp
mp *Oo*
mp *Oo*
mp

38 wait - ing for — what lies in store.

What will lie in

What will lie in

40 See the lone - ly trees are weep - ing,

store.

store.

Oo

Oo

42

ah

mp

while the snow — lay

ah

mp

44

sleep - ing, — while the snow _ lay

mp

while the snow _ lay sleep - ing, —

46

sleep - ing, — while the snow _ lay sleep - ing, —

slowly *decresc.*

while the snow _ lay sleep - ing, —

decresc.

slowly *decresc.*

48

pp

pp

pp

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CELLO

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mp

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mp

10 3 -3 -4 -1

14 -1 16

17

21 -1 4x -2 -3 -1

cresc.

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25 ⁻¹ 26 **3** *mp* ⁻⁴ *cresc. poco a poco*

30 ⁻³

32 ⁻³ ^{-3 1 3 4} ^{-4 2 1} ⁻¹ ⁻² ⁻³ *f* *decresc.*

35 36 ⁻¹ ^{3 4} *mp*

41 ⁻¹ ³ ^{1 -2 4 -1} ³ ⁻³ *mp*

45 **2** ^{-2 4} *decresc.* ⁻² *pp*

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