

# CHILD OF PEACE

for S..A.T.B. voices, with opt. Children's Choir and Congregation, accompanied\*

Words by

**ROSE ASPINALL**

Incorporating

"Silent Night, Holy Night"

Music by

**MARY MCDONALD**

Incorporating Tunes:

**DONA NOBIS PACEM**

and **STILLE NACHT**

Delicately (♩ = ca. 72)

ACCOMP.

*pp*

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(For a shorter version, begin the introduction here.)

9

*a tempo*

*poco rit.*

*p*

11

13

SOPRANO / ALTO

*poco rit.*

*a tempo*

14

*p*

Child of peace, hear our cry

15

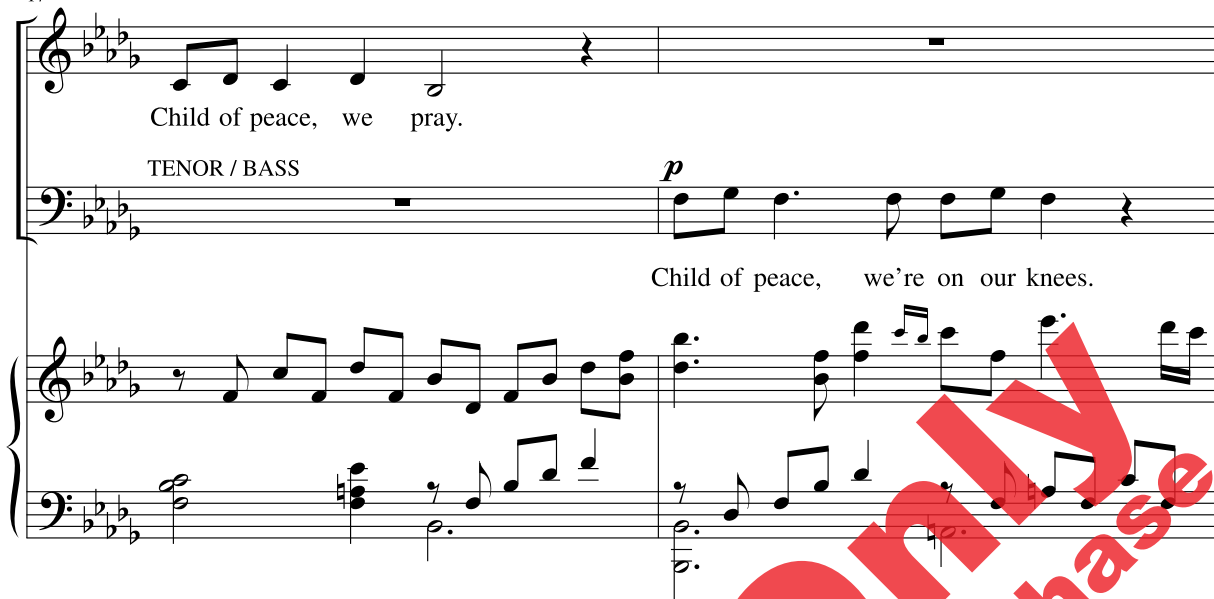
on this si - lent, ho - ly night. Hearts are bro - ken. Come to stay,

Child of peace, we pray.

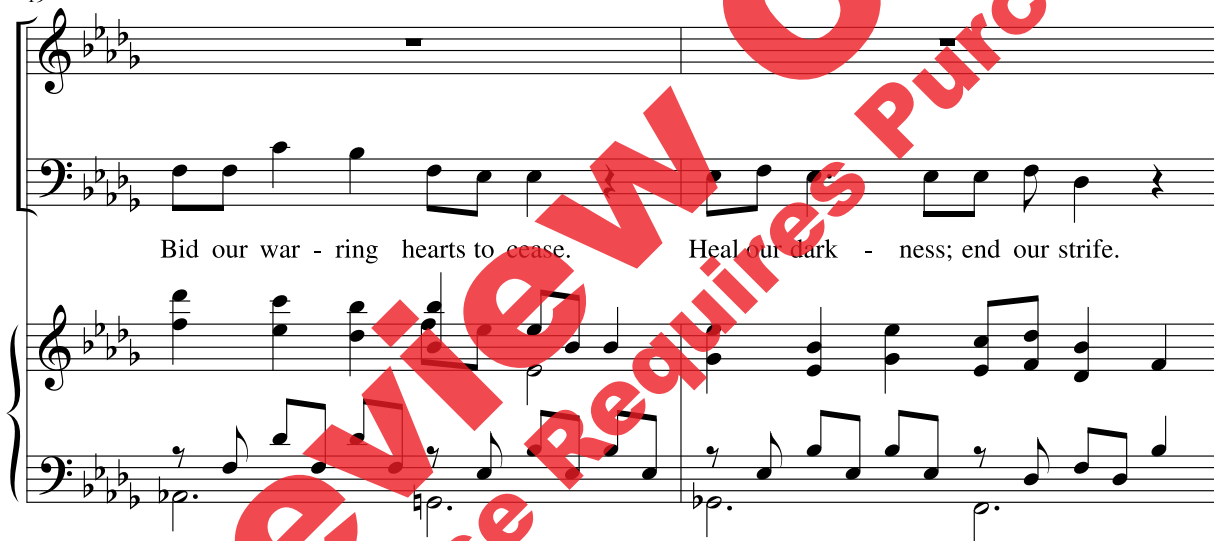
TENOR / BASS

*p*

Child of peace, we're on our knees.



Bid our war - ring hearts to cease. Heal our dark - ness; end our strife.



22 *mp*

Do - na no - bis

*mp*

Come, and bring us life.

22 *mp*



23

pa - cem, pa - cem. Do - na no - bis

*mf*

25

pa - cem.

*mf*

CHILDREN'S CHOIR or  
UNISON S.A.T.B. CHOIR and opt. CONGREGATION\*

27 *mp* \*

Si - lent night, ho - ly night,

*mp*

\* Reproducible part for Children's Choir and/or Congregation is on page 12.

\*\* Tune: STILLE NACHT, Franz Grüber, 1787-1863

Words: Joseph Mohr, 1792-1848

all is calm, all is bright

round yon vir - gin moth - er and Child!

Ho - ly In - fant so ten - der and mild,

sleep in heav - en - ly peace,

37

(children's choir / congregation tacet)

sleep in heav - en - ly peace.

39

*p*

41

*a tempo*

*poco rit.*

43

S.A. *mp*

Child of peace, this our prayer: bring Your light; heal our des-pair.

T.B. *mp*

43

*mp*

O - pen eyes; come here to dwell, Im - man - u - el.

47 *mf* Do - na no - bis pa - cem, pa - cem.

49 Do na no - bis pa - cem.

Do - na no - bis

cem.



let us sing "Al - le - lu - ia"

to our King! Christ the Sav ior is

born. Christ the Sav ior is

63

22 CHOIR only

*mp* *rit.*

born. Christ the Sav - ior is

22

*mp* *rit.*

65

*a tempo*

born.

*a tempo*

*p*

67

*molto rit.* *pp*

8<sup>vb</sup>

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Words by  
JOSEPH MOHR (1792-1848)

Tune: **STILLE NACHT**  
by **FRANZ GRÜBER** (1787-1863)  
Arranged by  
**MARY MCDONALD** (ASCAP)

CHILDREN'S CHOIR and/or CONGREGATION

1. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, all is calm,  
2. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, won - drous star,

all is bright round yon vir - gin moth - er and Child!  
lend thy light. With the an - gels, let us sing.

Ho - ly In - fant so ten - der and mild, sleep in heav - en - ly  
"Al - le - lu - ia" to our King! Christ the Sav - ior is

peace, \_\_\_\_\_ sleep in heav - en - ly peace.  
born. \_\_\_\_\_ Christ the Sav - ior is born. \_\_\_\_\_

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**Child of Peace** – Wrapped in a trilogy of melodies, CHILD OF PEACE delicately pleads for the arrival of the Christ Child, who has come to bring us peace. Music that weaves seamlessly from major to minor reflects the despair into which this Holy Child would be born. With hints of the beloved tune, DONA NOBIS PACEM, the traditional SILENT NIGHT, presented here by optional Unison Choir and Congregation, and original music, this fresh setting is perfectly suited for a candlelight or Christmas Eve service.

**Mary McDonald** is well-known in sacred music. With a career that spans over 35 years, her compositions appear in the catalogs of every major publisher of church music. More than 1,000 anthems, seasonal musicals and keyboard collections testify to her significant contribution to sacred literature. Her unique blend of heart, hands and humor, combined with a wide range of writing and performing styles, has kept her in constant demand in churches across the nation for Composer Weekends, Workshops and Music Conferences. Mary is a lifelong resident of Knoxville, Tennessee, where she resides with her husband, Brian, an architect. They are parents of two adult children and four grandchildren.

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