

Sacred and Profane

EIGHT MEDIEVAL LYRICS

Benjamin Britten, Op. 91

1 St. Godric's Hymn

(Mid 12th century)

Broad and rhetorical (♩ = 52)

SOPRANO 1
 Saint - e, Saint - e Ma - ry - e Vir - gi - ne, Mo - der, Mo - der Je - su Chris - tes
 Sighnt - e, Sighnt - e Mä - ree - e Veer - gi - ne, Mō - der, Mō - der Je - su Crees - tes

SOPRANO 2
 Saint - e, Saint - e Ma - ry - e Vir - gi - ne, Mo - der, Mo - der Je - su Chris - tes
 Sighnt - e, Sighnt - e Mä - ree - e Veer - gi - ne, Mō - der, Mō - der Je - su Crees - tes

ALTO
 Saint - e, Saint - e Ma - ry - e Vir - gi - ne, Mo - der, Mo - der Je - su Chris - tes
 Sighnt - e, Sighnt - e Mä - ree - e Veer - gi - ne, Mō - der, Mō - der Je - su Crees - tes

TENOR
 Saint - e, Saint - e Ma - ry - e Vir - gi - ne, Mo - der, Mo - der Je - su Chris - tes
 Sighnt - e, Sighnt - e Mä - ree - e Veer - gi - ne, Mō - der, Mō - der Je - su Crees - tes

BASS
 Saint - e, Saint - e Ma - ry - e Vir - gi - ne, Mo - der, Mo - der Je - su Chris - tes
 Sighnt - e, Sighnt - e Mä - ree - e Veer - gi - ne, Mō - der, Mō - der Je - su Crees - tes

PIANO (for rehearsal only)
Broad and rhetorical (♩ = 52)

Na - za - rene, Schild, schild, with
 Nā - za - rene, Sheeld, sheeld, with

Na - za - rene, Schild, schild, bring hey - i - lich with
 Nā - za - rene, Sheeld, sheeld, bring hay - i - lich with

Na - za - rene, On - fo, help thin God - ric, On - fang, bring hey - i - lich with
 Nā - za - rene, On - fō, help theen God - rich, On - fang, bring hay - i - lich with

Na - za - rene, On - fo, help thin God - ric, On - fang, bring hey - i - lich with
 Nā - za - rene, On - fō, help theen God - rich, On - fang, bring hay - i - lich with

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 Nā - za - rene, On - fō, help theen God - rich, On - fang, bring hay - i - lich with

3 Lenten is come (Later 13th/earlier 14th century)

Lilting and gay (♩ = 64)

S.1 *p*
 Len-ten is come with love to tounce, _____ blisse bring - eth _____
 Len-ten is *cūm* with *lūv* to *tōon*, _____ blisse bring - eth _____

S.2 *p*
 With blos-men and with brid-des rounce, _____ That this blis-se bring-eth.
 With blos-men and with brid-des *rōon* _____ That this blis-se bring-eth.

A. *p*
 Len-ten is come with love to tounce, _____ That all this blis - se bring-eth. _____
 Len-ten is *cūm* with *lūv* to *tōon*, _____ That all this blis - se bring-eth. _____

T. *p*
 With blos-men and with brid-des rounce, _____ blisse bring - -
 With blos-men and with brid-des *rōon*, _____ blisse bring - -

B. *p (sustained)*
 Len - ten is come to tounce, That all this blis - se bring-eth blisse bring - eth.
 Len - ten is *cūm* to *tōon*, That all this blis - se bring-eth blisse bring - eth.

Lilting and gay (♩ = 64)

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Dayes-ey-es in this da-les, _____ fowl sing - eth. _____
 Dighs-ay-es in *theez* dar-les, _____ *fool* sing - eth. _____

No-tes swete of night-e - gales, _____ Uch fowl song sing -
 No-tes *swayt* of *nicht*-e - garles, _____ Uch *fool* song sing -

Dayes-ey-es in this da-les, _____ Uch fowl song sing-eth. _____
 Dighs-ay-es in *theez* dar-les, _____ Uch *fool* song sing-eth. _____

- eth. _____ No-tes swete of night-e - gales, _____ The thres - tel -
 - eth. _____ No-tes *swayt* of *nicht*-e - garles, _____ The thres - tel -

Dayes - eyes in this da - les, Uch fowl song sing-eth. The thres - tel -
 Dighs - ayes in *theez* dar - les, Uch *fool* song sing-eth. The thres - tel -

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5 Yif ic of luve can

(Earlier 14th century)

Gently (♩ = 52)

S.1

S.2

A.

T.

B.

Whanne ic se on Ro - de Je - su, my lem-man, And be - side him stond - en
 Whän ich say on Rō - de Je - su, mee lem-man, And be - seed him stond - en

Whanne ic se on Ro - de Je - su, my lem-man, And be - side him stond - en
 Whän ich say on Rō - de Je - su, mee lem-man, And be - seed him stond - en

Whanne ic se on Ro - de Je - su, my lem-man, And be - side him stond - en
 Whän ich say on Rō - de Je - su, mee lem-man, And be - seed him stond - en

Whanne ic se on Ro - de Je - su, my lem-man, And be - side him stond - en
 Whän ich say on Rō - de Je - su, mee lem-man, And be - seed him stond - en

Gently (♩ = 52)

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Ma - rye and Jo - han, And his rig i - swong - en, And his
 Mä - ree and Jō - han, And his rig i - swung - en, And his

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