

# Cradle song

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*andante tranquillo* ♩=88

Soprano      **p** 1. The bird is in its nest;      The bee is hushed in rest. 5

Alto      **p** 1. The bird is in its nest;      The bee is hushed in rest.

Tenor      **p** 1. The bird is in its nest;      The bee is hushed in rest.

Bass      **p** Sleep, \_\_\_\_\_ sleep, \_\_\_\_\_ sleep, lul - la -

Accomp.  
(ad lib.)      *andante tranquillo* ♩=88      **p**

S      Rocked on thy mo - ther's breast,      To thy mo - ther's fond heart, thy

A      on      thy mo - ther's breast,      To thy mo - ther's fond heart, thy

T      Rocked on thy mo - ther's breast, Sleep, lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la -

B      by,      Sleep, yea, lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la -

Accomp.  
(ad lib.)

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S      mo-ther's fond heart, to thy mo-ther's, thy mo-ther's heart pressed, to thy mo-ther's fond heart, thy

A      mo-ther's fond heart, to thy mo-ther's, thy mo-ther's heart pressed, to thy mo-ther's fond heart, thy

T      by, sleep,      lul - la - by, sleep,      lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la -

B      by, sleep,      lul - la - by, sleep,      lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la -

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S      mo-ther's fond heart, to thy mo-ther's, thy mo-ther's heart pressed,      *dim.*      *rit.*

A      mo-ther's fond heart, to thy mo-ther's, thy mo-ther's heart pressed,      *dim.*      *rit.*

T      by, sleep,      lul - la - by, sleep,      lul - la - by, *dim.*      *rit.*

B      by, sleep,      lul - la - by, sleep,      lul - la - by, *dim.*      *rit.*

Soprano (S) *a tempo*

Alto (A) *a tempo*

Tenor (T)

Bass (B) *a tempo*

20 by. *mf* 2. The wan-ing day-light dies, The stars dream in the skies; Dai-sies long have

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by. *mf* Sleep, sleep, lul - la - by; Dai-sies long have

*mf*

Soprano (S) *dim.*

Alto (A) *dim.*

Tenor (T) *dim.* *sotto voce*

Bass (B) *dim.* *sotto voce*

25 closed their eyes, *p*dai-sies long have closed their eyes;

closed their eyes; *p*Sleep, sleep,

closed their eyes; *p*Sleep, lul - la - by, *pp* sleep,

closed their eyes, have closed *p* their eyes; *pp* Sleep,

*p*

*pp*

S

A

T

B

8

lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la - by, sleep,

*p*

S

30

A

T

B

8

lies, calm, how calm! on all things, on all things lies, how calm on all things

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lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la - by, \_\_

lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la - by, \_\_

*p*

S

A

T

B

35

*rit.*

lies, — **p** lul-la - by, lul-la-by, lul-la - by. **f** 3. Then sleep, my heart's de-light, And

lies, — **p** lul-la - by, lul-la-by, lul-la - by. **f** 3. Then sleep, my heart's de-light, And

8 sleep, — **p** sleep, sleep, lul-la - by. **f** 3. Then sleep, my heart's de-light, And

sleep, — **p** sleep, lul - la - by, lul-la - by. **f** 3 Sleep, sleep And

*morendo*

*rit.*

*f*

S

A

T

B

40

*cresc.*

through the dark - some night, Round thy bed God's an - gels bright, — God's

*cresc.*

through the dark - some night, Round thy bed God's an - gels

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*cresc.*

through the dark - some night, Round thy bed God's an - gels

*cresc.*

through the dark - some night, Round thy bed God's an - gels

*cresc.*

*dim.*

45

S an-gels bright, **p**round thy bed God's\_ an-gels bright, lul-la-by, **p** Guard thee

A bright, **p**Sleep, lul - la - by, **p** Guard thee

T 8 bright, **p**Sleep, sleep, \_ lul - la - by, sleep, lul-la-by, sleep,

B bright, **p**Sleep, lul - la - by, sleep, lul-la-by, sleep,

**p** **p**

S till I come, I come with light, Guard thee till I come with light, round thy

A till I come, I come with light, Guard thee till I come with light, round thy

T 8 lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la - by, sleep,

B lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la - by, sleep,

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S bed God's an - gels, God's an-\_\_\_\_ gels bright Guard thee till\_\_\_\_ I come with

A bed God's an - gels, God's an-\_\_\_\_ gels bright Guard thee till\_\_\_\_ I come with

T 8 lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la - by,

B lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la - by, sleep, lul - la by,\_\_\_\_

dim.

S light,\_\_\_\_ **p** lul - la - by, lul - la - by, lul - la - by. 55

A light,\_\_\_\_ **p** lul - la - by, lul - la - by, lul - la - by.

T 8 sleep,\_\_\_\_ **p** sleep,\_\_\_\_ sleep, lul - la - by.

B sleep,\_\_\_\_ **p** sleep, lul - la - by, lul - la - by.

*morendo*

*rit.*