



Sisters in Song

CHORAL MUSIC FOR WOMEN

for the Contra Costa Children's Choir

Today the Virgin Gives Birth Kontakion for Christmas

Byzantine Chant, Tone III
Arranged by Anthony Doherty

With flowing motion ($\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 144 / \text{♩} = \text{ca. } 48$)

mp
To - day the Vir - gin gives birth to the Tran -

mf *p* *mp*
scen - dent One, and the earth pre - sents a cave to the Un - ap -

mf *p* *mf*
proach - a - ble One. An - gels with shep - herds give Him

mp *mf*
glo - ry; wise men fol - low a star as they

f *mp*
jour - ney to Him Who is God from all a - ges, yet

mf *mp* *p*
for our sake is born as a lit - tle child.

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35 *Soprano p*

To - day the Vir - gin gives birth to the Tran -

Alto p

40 *mp*

scen - dent One, and the earth pre - sents a cave to the Un - ap -

mp

47 *mf*

proach - a - ble One. An - gels with shep -

mf

52 *mp*

herds give Him glo - ry; wise men fol - low a

mp

58 *f mp*

star as they jour - ney to Him Who is God from all a - ges, yet

f mp

63 *p*

for our sake is born as a lit - tle child.

p

69 *mf* *f*

To - day the Vir - gin gives birth to the Tran -

mf *f*

74 *mf* *f*

scen - dent One, and the earth pre - sents a cave

mf *f*

80 *f*

to the Un - ap - proach - a - ble One. An - gels with

f

85 *mp*

shep - herds give Him glo - ry; wise men fol - low a

mp

92 *ff*

star as they jour - ney to Him Who is God from all a - ges,

ff

Slower *p* *pp*

97 yet for our sake is born as a lit - tle child.

p *pp*

