



Bringer of Peace

Philippa Daffern
Arranged by Richard Hall

With a gentle lilt (♩ = ca. 55)

Keyboard

p

E♭/G E♭ Fm/A♭ B♭sus4 B♭

Musical score for the keyboard part of 'Bringer of Peace'. It is written in 6/8 time with a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb). The tempo is marked 'With a gentle lilt (♩ = ca. 55)'. The score begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic. The first staff is the treble clef and the second is the bass clef. The melody in the treble clef starts with a quarter note G4, followed by a half note E♭4, and then a quarter note G4. The bass clef provides accompaniment with chords and single notes. Chord symbols E♭/G, E♭, Fm/A♭, B♭sus4, and B♭ are placed above the treble staff.

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Preview



VERSE 1

p

1. Rest gent - ly babe so dear, _____ close to the Vir - gin's breast. _____ This

B \flat /D E \flat Fm7 Gm/B \flat

1. child, at last, the great - est gift, has come to us. _____ An

A \flat maj7 Gm7 Cm7 Fm7/C Gm/B \flat Fm/B \flat

1. in - fant King, no throne, no crown, lies in a man - ger new - ly born.

Fm7 Fm/B \flat B \flat E \flat /G A \flat B \flat 7 Cm Fm7 B \flat 7 E \flat

VERSE 2

Descant
mf

2. The skies — a-light — with song — and choirs — give

Melody
mf

2. The skies a-light with song — and heav'n - ly choirs — give voice: —

B \flat E \flat Cm B \flat /D E \flat Fm/A \flat E \flat /B \flat

mf *cresc.*

2. voice: Our God is here, — re-deem - ing Lord. He

2. — Our God is here, re-deem - ing Lord with-in our sight. — He

A \flat B \flat 7 Cm A \flat /C E \flat /B \flat A \flat E \flat /G Fm/C B \flat /D E \flat /G

2. will — be great, — show us — his way of liv - ing kind - ly day by day.

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A \flat B \flat E \flat A \flat 6 B \flat Cm/E \flat E \flat /G Fm/A \flat B \flat E \flat

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VERSE 3: Choir

Soprano
mf

Alto

3. God's love, it has no bounds: _____ He gave his on - ly

Tenor
mf

Bass

3. God's love has no bounds: _____ He gave _____ his

3. Son. _____ The grace for all to fol - low Christ, his will be done. _____

3. Son. _____

p

3. A lone - ly death u - pon a tree, he rose a - gain to vic - to - ry.

p

VERSE 4

f

4. We cry to you, O God, _____ for all who have no voice, _____ who

f

Bb/D Cm Cm7 Fm7/C Abmaj7/C Bb7 Gm7

4. live in pov - er - ty ___ and war with lit - tle choice. ___ Come,

Chords: A \flat B \flat 7 Cm A \flat /C C7 Fm Gm7 A \flat m6 B \flat

4. fill this dark - ness with your light, with hope ___ and peace and fu - ture bright.

Chords: Cm/E \flat G/B Cm Fm B \flat Eb/G A \flat maj7 B \flat 7 Cm Fm/A \flat B \flat Eb

Performance markings: *ad lib.*, *rit.*

Composer Notes

A newborn child, resting close to its mother, is a tender scene. However, the Christ Child—“The Greatest Gift”—comes to Earth in poverty. The sound of rejoicing angels in chorus, “Our God is here,” fills the sky with jubilation. Christ’s lonely death is eclipsed by his glorious resurrection, giving credence to the angel’s predictions. The song closes with the impassioned cry for the light of Christ to bring peace and justice to a troubled world. The melody is uncomplicated, and the words are accessible for both choral and congregational singing.

—*Philippa Daffern*

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Capo 3: (C/E) Eb/G (C) Eb (Dm/F) Fm/A^b (Gsus4) B^bsus4 (G) B^b

(Kbd)

VERSE 1

(G/B) B^b/D (C) Eb (Dm7) Fm7 (Em/G) Gm/B^b

1. Rest gent - ly babe so dear, _____ close to the Vir - gin's breast, _____ This

(Fmaj7) A^bmaj7 (Em7) Gm7 (Am7) Cm7 (Dm7/A) Fm7/C (Em/G) Gm/B^b (Dm/G) Fm/B^b

1. child, at last, the great - est gift, has come to us. _____ An

(Dm7) Fm7 (Dm/G) Fm/B^b (G) B^b (C/E) Eb/G (F) A^b (G7)(Am) B^b7 Cm (Dm7) Fm7 (G7) B^b7 (C) Eb

1. in - fant King, no throne, no crown, lies in a man - ger new - ly born.

VERSE 2

(G) B^b (C) Eb (Am) Cm (G/B) B^b/D (C) Eb (Dm/F) Fm/A^b (C/G) Eb/B^b

2. The skies a - light with song _____ and heav'n - ly choirs _____ give voice: _____ Our

(F) A^b (G7) B^b7 (Am) Cm (F/A) A^b/C (C/G) Eb/B^b (F) A^b (C/E) Eb/G (Dm/A) Fm/C (G/B) B^b/D (C/E) Eb/G

2. God is here, re-deem - ing Lord with - in our sight. _____ He

(F) A^b (G) B^b (C) Eb (F6) A^b6 (G) B^b (Am/C) Cm/E^b (C/E) Eb/G (Dm/F) Fm/A^b (G) B^b (C) Eb

2. will be great, show us his way of liv - ing kind - ly day _____ by day.

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VERSE 3: Choir alone

NC
mf



3. God's love, it has no bounds: _____ He gave his on - ly



3. Son. _____ The grace for all to fol - low Christ, his will be done. _____ A




3. lone - ly death u - pon a tree, he rose a - gain to vic - to - ry.

VERSE 4

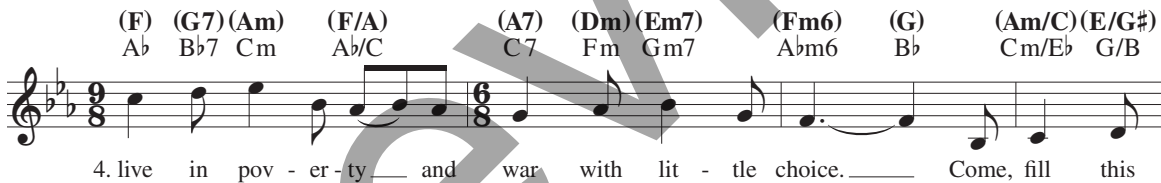
(G/B) (Am) (Am7) (Dm7/A) (Fmaj7/A) (G7) (Em7)
Bb/D Cm Cm7 Fm7/C Abmaj7/C Bb7 Gm7

f



4. We cry to you, O God, _____ for all who have _____ no voice, _____ who

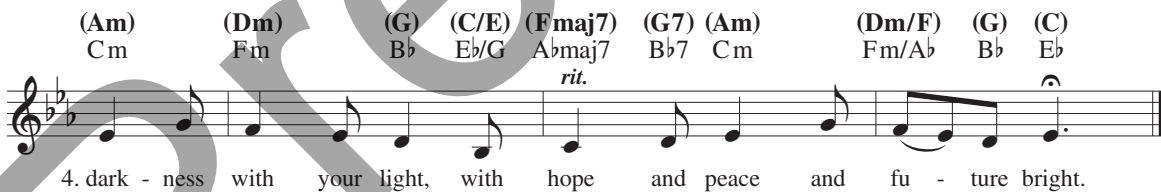
(F) (G7) (Am) (F/A) (A7) (Dm) (Em7) (Fm6) (G) (Am/C) (E/G#)
Ab Bb7 Cm Ab/C C7 Fm Gm7 Abm6 Bb Cm/Eb G/B



4. live in pov - er - ty _____ and war with lit - tle choice. _____ Come, fill this

(Am) (Dm) (G) (C/E) (Fmaj7) (G7) (Am) (Dm/F) (G) (C)
Cm Fm Bb Eb/G Abmaj7 Bb7 Cm Fm/Ab Bb Eb

rit.



4. dark - ness with your light, with hope and peace and fu - ture bright.

Assembly Edition

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4. have no voice, who live in pov - er - ty and



1. gift, has come to us. An in - fant King, no
2. Lord with - in our sight. He will be great, show
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