

The Lord Is My Shepherd

for Mixed Chorus (S.A.T.B.), Soloist, and Piano

Text adapted from Psalm 23

Music by Joseph H. Downing
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Gently ♩ = 84

mp

The piano introduction is in 3/4 time with a key signature of two sharps (D major). It features a gentle melody in the right hand and a supporting bass line in the left hand. The tempo is marked 'Gently' with a quarter note equal to 84 beats per minute. The dynamics are marked 'mp' (mezzo-piano).

5 ** Soloist:*

The Lord is my shep-herd, no want shall I know.

The soloist vocal line begins at measure 5. The lyrics are 'The Lord is my shep-herd, no want shall I know.' The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with chords and a steady bass line.

10

I feed in green pas - tures, safe - fold - ed I

The soloist vocal line continues at measure 10. The lyrics are 'I feed in green pas - tures, safe - fold - ed I'. The piano accompaniment continues with harmonic support.

PERFORMANCE TIME: approx. 3:30 min.

* Solo parts could be played by an oboe soloist.

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14 A *S.A. mp*

rest. _____ The Lord is my

14 *T.B.*

14 A

19

shep - herd, no want shall I know. I feed in green pas - tures, safe -

19

19

24

fold - ed I rest. He lead - eth my soul where the still wa - ters

24

24

mp

24

29

flow re - stores me when wan-d'ring, re - deems when op -

34

B

pressed. In the midst of af -

34

B

39

flic - tion, my ta - ble is spread. With bles - sings un -

39

39

43

mea - sured my cup run - neth o'er. With per - fume and oil thou an -

48

noint - est my head Oh, what shall I ask of thy

53

pro - vi - dence more?

58 **C** *mf*

Yea, tho' I walk through the val - ley of the sha - dow of death, no

58 **C** *Con moto*

p *mf*

61 *mp* *mf* *rit.*

ev - il shall I fear. For thy rod and staff they com - fort me, and

61 *mp* *mf* *rit.*

65 *deliberate* *mf* **D**

my rest is sure. Sure - ly good - ness and mer - cy shall

65 *deliberate* *mf* **D** *Tempo Primo*

69
fol - low me all the days of my life and for -

73
ev - er - more! And then shall I dwell in the

77
f house of the Lord, *mf* And then shall I

81 *Solo:*

The Lord is my
p

dwell in the house of the Lord. For - ev - er - - - more.

mp

87

shep - herd. The Lord is my shep - herd.

For - ev - er - - - more.

p