

# Nativity

(SATB, A Cappella)

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Chant like (♩ = c. 50)

*mp*

S  
Im - a - gine hold - ing the child of God with - in, like Mar - y.

A  
Im - a - gine hold - ing the child of God with - in, like Mar - y.

Piano  
for rehearsal *mp*  
only

S  
And in hold - ing the child of God, hold - ing God.

A  
And in hold - ing the child of God, hold - ing God.

T  
*mp*  
And in hold - ing the child of God, hold - ing God.

8  
And in hold - ing the child of God, hold - ing God.

S  
How would it feel to hold the child of God so close to your heart?

A  
How would it feel to hold the child of God so close to your heart?

T  
How would it feel to hold the child of God so close to your heart?

8  
How would it feel to hold the child of God so close to your heart?

B  
*mp*  
How would it feel to hold the child of God so close to your heart?

4 *più sostenuto*  
How would it feel? Do not im - a - gine for it is

5 *mp*  
How would it feel? Do not im - a - gine for it is

6  
How would it feel? Do not im - a - gine for it is

7  
How would it feel? Do not im - a - gine for it is

8  
How would it feel? Do not im - a - gine for it is

Warmly (♩ = c. 66)  
*mp*

real. We are all child - ren of God. We are

real. We are all child - ren of God. We are

real. We are all child - ren of God. We are

real. We are all child - ren of God. We are

*mf*

all heirs like Je - sus. The spir - it of God

all heirs like Je - sus. The spir - it of God

all heirs like Je - sus. The spir - it of God

all heirs like Je - sus. The spir - it of God

*mf*

lives in our hearts. So on — this most ho - ly Christ - mas

lives in our hearts. So on — this most ho - ly Christ - mas

lives in our hearts. So on — this most ho - ly Christ - mas

lives in our hearts. So on — this most ho - ly Christ - mas

*poco ritard.* *mp* ( $\sigma = c. 54$ )

night, and al - ways, let the light of Christ that is with - in

night, and al - ways, let the light of Christ that is with - in

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*cresc.* *div.*

16 *f* shine as bright-ly as the star o-ver Beth-le-hem, as God's  
 17 *f* shine as bright-ly as the star o-ver Beth-le-hem, as God's  
 18 *f* shine as bright-ly as the star o-ver Beth-le-hem, as God's  
 19 *f* shine as bright-ly as the star o-ver Beth-le-hem, as God's

18 on-ly child burst forth from Mar-y's womb. Let us  
 19 on-ly child burst forth from Mar-y's womb. Let us  
 20 on-ly child burst forth from Mar-y's womb. Let us  
 21 on-ly child burst forth from Mar-y's womb. Let us

(♩ = c. 48)  
*mp* *ten.* *ten.*  
*mp* *ten.* *ten.*  
*mp* *ten.* *ten.*  
*mp* *ten.* *ten.*

21 cel-e-brate this gift with-in our-selves, as we  
 22 cel-e-brate this gift with-in our-selves, as we  
 23 cel-e-brate this gift with-in our-selves, as we  
 24 cel-e-brate this gift with-in our-selves, as we

23 *poco ritard.* cel-e-brate the birth of the child.  
 24 *poco ritard.* cel-e-brate the birth of the child.  
 25 *poco ritard.* cel-e-brate the birth of the child.  
 26 *poco ritard.* cel-e-brate the birth of the child.