

The River's Song

for for SATB chorus
words and music by
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Slowly and very, very rubato ♩ = ca. 68

Sop. *mf* The Riv - er's Song is a cry from Earth's Moth - er ask - ing for

Alto *mf* The Riv - er's Song is a cry from Earth's Moth - er , ask - ing for

Ten. *mf* The Riv - er's Song is a cry from Earth's Moth - er ask - ing for

Bass *mf* The Riv - er's Song is a cry from Earth's Moth - er ask - ing for

a cappella, if at all possible; otherwise, double voices softly with organ or piano

6 *molto rit.* *a tempo*
help as She nour - ish - es the world. All that She *mf*

help as She nour - ish - es the world. All that She *mf*

help as She nour - ish - es the world. All that She *mf*

help as She nour - ish - es the world. All that She *mf*

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asks is we pass on Her boun - ty, *mf* bless-ings She glad - ly be

asks is we pass on her boun - ty, , *mf* bless-ings she glad - ly be

asks is we pass on her boun - ty, *mf* bless-ings she glad - ly be

asks is we pass on her boun - ty, *mf* bless - ings she glad - ly be

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stows with love. *mp* The wil-low sings to Her de -

stows with love. *pp* Ooo...

stows with love. *mp* The wil-low sings

stows with love. *pp* Ooo...

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light. So, too, could we re - pay Her self-less love with song. In-stead we

Ooo... So, too, could we re - pay - Her with song. In-stead we

Ooo... So, too, could we re - pay - Her with song.

mp to Her de-light. So, too, could we re - pay - Her with song.

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take Her man-y gifts with-out a sing-le thought or word of thanks. But still She

take Her gifts sing-le thought of thanks. But still She

take Her gifts sing-le thought of thanks. But still She

take Her gifts sing-le thought of thanks. But still She

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cares for the just and the un - just, as heav'n - ly
cares for just the un - just, as heav'n - ly
cares for just the un - just, as heav'n - ly
cares for the just the un - just, as heav'n - ly

mf

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rain falls up - on Her lands. The wil-low lands.
rain falls on Her lands. lands.
rain falls on Her lands. lands.
rain falls on Her lands. lands.

pp *p* *pp*