

# What Child Is This

for 2-part choir (women/men) with piano accompaniment

William Chatterton Dix

English folk song  
arr. Ronald Staheli

*gently rocking, in 2, with subdividing jog on the 3rd and 6th eighth notes*

The musical score is arranged in three systems. The first system, labeled 'Piano', shows the piano accompaniment in 6/8 time, starting with a piano (*p*) dynamic. The second system, labeled 'Pno.', continues the piano accompaniment with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic followed by piano (*p*). The third system features a two-part choir with parts for Women ('W') and Men ('M') and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: 'What child is this — Who laid to rest On Ma - ry's lap — is'. The piano accompaniment in the third system starts with a piano (*p*) dynamic. The score includes various musical notations such as treble and bass clefs, time signatures, dynamics, and fingering numbers.

# What Child Is This

2  
12

W *mp*  
sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet While

M *p*  
sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet While

Pno. *p*

15

W  
shep - herds watch are keep - ing?

M  
shep - herds watch are keep - ing?

Pno.

18 *mf*

W *mp*  
This, this is Christ the King Whom shep - herds guard and

M  
This, this is Christ the King Whom shep - herds guard and

Pno. *mp*

21 *dim.* *mf* *dim.*

W an - gels sing! Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The

M an - gels sing! Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The

Pno. *dim.* *mp* *dim.*

24 *mp* *p*

W Babe, the Son of Ma - ry.

M Babe, the Son of Ma - ry.

Pno. *p*

27 *f*

Pno. *f*

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W *f* *oh* *ah*

M *f* *oh* *ah*

Pno. 30

W *oh* *ah*

M *oh* *ah*

Pno. 34

W *f* *oh* *ah*

M *f* *oh* *ah*

Pno. 38

42 *f* *oh* *ah*

W  
M  
Pno.

46 *p* 5 2 2

W  
M  
Pno.

50 *3* *1 rit.*

Pno.

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6  
54

*poco accel.* *rall.*

W

M

Pno.

57

*a tempo* *mf*

W

M

Pno.

So bring Him in - cense, gold, and myrrh, Come

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60

*mf*

W

M

Pno.

pea - sant king — to love — Him; The King of kings — sal - va - tion brings, Let

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64

W  
lov - ing hearts en - throne Him.

M  
lov - ing hearts en - throne Him.

Pno.

67

W  
*f* This, this is Christ the king, Whom shep - herds guard and

M  
*f* This, this is Christ the king, Whom shep - herds guard and

Pno.

70

W  
*dim.* an - gels sing. *f* Joy, joy for Christ is born, The

M  
*dim.* an - gels sing. *f* Joy, joy for Christ is born, The

Pno.

73 *dim.* *p*

W Babe, the Son of Ma - ry.

M Babe, the Son of Ma - ry.

Pno. *dim.* *p* *pp* *poco cresc.*

76 *rit.* *p* *slowly, in 6*

W The Babe, the Son of Ma - ry.

M The Babe, the Son of Ma - ry.

Pno. *rit.* *p* *dim.* *p*