

Blessing

Traditional Irish Prayer

SATB a cappella

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Sorrowful and yearning, $\text{♩} = 60$, con rubato

Soprano

Alto *p*
Dear Lord, give me a few friends who will love me for what I

Tenor *p*
Mm

Bass *p*
Mm

for rehearsal only

5

S *mp*
Dear Lord, give me a few friends

A *mp*
am, stagger breathe *mp* Dear Lord, give me a few friends who will

T *mp*
Dear Lord,

B *mp*
Dear Lord,

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S — who will love me — for what I am, who will love me —

A love me for what I am, who will love me —

T

B

Più Mosso

S — for what I am — and keep ev - er burn - ing be -

A — for what I am and keep ev - er burn - ing be -

T dear Lord, dear

B dear Lord, dear

12 poco rit. *mf* 3

12 poco rit. Più mosso *mf* 3

15

S fore my va - grant steps, the kind - ly light of hope, the kind - ly light of

A fore my va - grant steps, the kind - ly light of hope, the kind - ly light of

T Lord, _____ light of hope, kind - ly light of..

B Lord, _____ light of hope, light of... poco rit.

18

S hope, Dear Lord, _____ kind - ly light of hope,

A hope, Dear Lord, _____ kind - ly light of hope,

T and keep ev - er burn - ing be - fore my va - grant steps the kind - ly light of hope,

B and keep ev - er burn - ing be - fore my va - grant steps the kind - ly light of hope,

18 a tempo

21 *mp* **poco rit.** *mf*

S kind - ly light of hope... Dear Lord, dear Lord. And *mf*

A kind - ly light of hope... Dear Lord, dear Lord. And *mf*

T kind - ly light of hope... Dear Lord, dear Lord. And *mf*

B kind - ly light of hope... Dear Lord, dear Lord. And *mf*

21 *mp* **poco rit.** *mf*

25 **a tempo** *surging* 3

S though I come not with - in sight of the cas - tle of my dreams,

A though I come not with - in sight of the cas - tle of my dreams,

T though I come not with - in sight of my dreams,

B though I come not with - in sight of my dreams,

25 **a tempo** 3