

for my dear French girls Mierille Comtet-Lerissel and Marina Lowell

THIS LITTLE BABE

SSAA with piano

Robert Southwell, 1561-1595

Jim Leininger

Con Fuoco *mp*

Soprano *mp* This lit - tle Babe so few days old,
Soprano *mp* This lit - tle Babe so few days old,
Alto *mp* This lit - tle Babe so few days old,
Alto *mp* This lit - tle Babe so few days old,
Piano *mp* **Con Fuoco**

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S. Is come to ri - fle Sa - tan's fold; All hell doth at his pre - sence quake,
S. Is come to ri - fle Sa - tan's fold; All hell doth at his pre - sence quake,
A. Is come to ri - fle Sa - tan's fold; All hell doth at his pre - sence quake,
A. Is come to ri - fle Sa - tan's fold; All hell doth at his pre - sence quake,
Pno

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S. *Though he him - self_ for cold do shake;_____ For in this weak un-*

S. *Though he him - self_ for cold do shake;_____ For in this weak un-*

A. *Though he him - self_ for cold do shake;_____ For in this weak un-*

A. *Though he him - self_ for cold do shake;_____ For in this weak un-*

Pno

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S. *arm - ed wise The gates of hell_ he will__ sur - prise. This__*

S. *arm - ed wise The gates of hell_ he will__ sur - prise. This__*

A. *arm - ed wise The gates of hell_ he will__ sur - prise. This__*

A. *arm - ed wise The gates of hell_ he will__ sur - prise. This__*

Pno

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mf

S. lit - tle Babe *mf* With tears he fights and wins the field,

S. lit - tle Babe *mf* With tears he fights and wins the field,

A. lit - tle Babe *mf* With tears he fights and wins the field,

A. lit - tle Babe *mf* With tears he fights and wins the field,

Pno

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S. His na - ked breast, stands for a shield; His bat - t'ring shot_ are bab - ish cries,

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A. His na - ked breast, stands for a shield; His bat - t'ring shot_ are bab - ish cries,

A. His na - ked breast, stands for a shield; His bat - t'ring shot_ are bab - ish cries,

Pno