

TWO CAROLS FOR ADVENT

For SATB Choir and Keyboard

Reader: Creator of the stars of night,
Thy people's everlasting light,
O Christ, thou Savior of us all,
We pray thee, hear us when we call.

Latin, 9th cent.

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1. Watchman, Tell Us of the Night

John Bowring, 1825
Alt. JNB

Lowell Mason, 1830

Gently ♩ = 116

The musical score is written for SATB choir and keyboard. It begins with a piano introduction in G major, 6/4 time, marked 'Gently' with a tempo of 116. The introduction consists of four measures. The first system includes the vocal line and piano accompaniment for measures 1-4. The lyrics are: 'Watch - man, tell us of the night, — What it's signs and prom - ise are.' The second system includes measures 5-8, with the piano part marked 'optional'. The lyrics continue: 'Trav - 'lers, o'er yon moun - tain height, See that glo - ry - beam - ing star.' The third system includes measures 9-12, featuring a baritone solo for the vocal line, marked 'mp' and 'mf'. The lyrics are: 'Trav - 'lers, o'er yon moun - tain height, See that glo - ry - beam - ing star.'

1 2 3 4

5 6 7 8

9 10 11 12

Watch - man, tell us of the night, — What it's signs and prom - ise are.

optional

(Chorus may hum accompaniment, if desired)

Watchman (Baritone solo):

Trav - 'lers, o'er yon moun - tain height, See that glo - ry - beam - ing star.

mf

Watch - man, does its beau - teous ray An - y joy or hope fore-tell?

TB *mf*

optional

13 14 15 16

(as before)

Watchman: *mp* *ten.* *slower*

Trav - 'lers, yes; it brings the day, Prom - ised day of Is - ra - el.

p *ten.* *slower*

17 18 19 20

a tempo SA unis. *p*

Watch - man, tell us of the night;

TB unis. *p*

p a tempo

21 22 23 24