

It Was a Star

Christmas anthem for SATB voices, keyboard, opt. handbells

Handbells used: (3 octaves)

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Peacefully and unhurried ♩ = c. 58

Keyboard

p

legato

S, A

5 *mp*

It was a star, a star so won - drous bright, that gui - ded shep - herds through the

10

T,B

night to find a child, to find a child who calm-ly lay in com-mon cloth on bed of hay.

mp

To find a child who calm-ly lay in com-mon cloth on bed of hay.

16

21

mf

It was a song, a song the an-gels sang, which filled the earth as hea-ven

It was a song, a song the an-gels sang, which filled the earth as hea-ven

mf

It was a song which filled the earth as hea-ven

26 *f* rang "Glo - ry to God!" Pro - claim the ho - ly birth, the Son of God has come to

rang "Glo - ry to God!" Pro - claim the ho - ly, ho - ly birth, the Son of God has come to

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31 earth.

earth.

earth.

earth.

37 optional handbells

HB

f

It was a gift, a gift from God most high who sent the Son to live and

f

42

HB

poco rit.

die, that we on earth might know God's ways, and live to praise God

poco rit.

poco rit.

46

HB

all our days.