

# Three Extracts from 'Christmas Oratorio'

J. S. Bach

SOPRANO

ALTO

TENOR

BASS

Piano

A musical score for four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano. The key signature is G major (one sharp). The vocal parts sing the same melody: "Ah! dear - est Je - su, ho - ly child," followed by a rest. The piano part provides harmonic support with chords and eighth-note patterns.

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The vocal parts sing the same melody: "Make thee a bed, soft, un - de - filed," followed by a rest. The piano part provides harmonic support with chords and eighth-note patterns. The vocal parts end with a fermata over the last note of the melody.

**A**

9 in my heart, and there re - cline,  
And keep that  
 in my heart, and there re - cline,  
And keep that  
 in my heart, and there re - cline,  
And keep that  
 in my heart, and there re - cline,  
And keep that

**B**

cham- ber\_ e - ver thine.  
With  
 cham- ber\_ e - ver thine.  
With  
 cham- ber\_ e - ver thine.  
With  
 cham- ber\_ e - ver thine.  
With

**B**

18

all thy hosts, O Lord, we sing,  
 all thy hosts, O Lord, we sing,  
 all thy hosts, O Lord, we sing,  
 all thy hosts, O Lord, we sing,

21

And thanks and praise to thee we bring;  
 And thanks and praise to thee we bring;  
 And thanks and praise to thee we bring;  
 And thanks and praise to thee we bring;

24

**C**

For thou, O long ex - pect - ed guest,  
For thou, O long ex - pect - ed guest,  
For thou, O long ex - pect - ed guest,  
For thou, O long ex - pect - ed guest,

**C**

27

Hast come at length to make us  
Hast come at length to make us  
Hast come at length to make us  
Hast come at length to make us

30

D

blest.

blest.

blest.

blest.

35

E

1.Ga - bri - el to Ma - ry came, And en - tered at her dwell - ing, With his sal - u -  
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strong re-solve, My sol - emn vows en-dan - ger?  
and to men, When Christ the Lord thou bar - est!

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