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SATB Voices with Piano

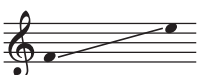

Duration: 2:53



Coventry Carol

Traditional Christmas Hymn

Arranged by Noah Reese



Sop  Alto 

Tenor  Bass 

CARL FISCHER

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Notes

Coventry Carol was first performed during the sixteenth Century in Coventry, England as a part of the Pageant of the Shearman and Tailors. It was a lament by the mothers of children taken in the Biblical "Slaughter of the Innocents". Robert Croo is credited with writing the lyrics in 1534, and the music was written by an unknown composer in 1591. The original manuscript of Robert Croo's poem lasted until a fire destroyed it in 1879.

The underlying mixed meter feeling of this arrangement is meant to help the piece build momentum to the third verse, helping to tell the tragic story depicted in the poem. The repeating motif is based around the altos' descending chromatic scale.

About the Arranger

Noah Reese has taught middle school for over ten years. He began singing and playing the piano at an early age and started composing music in high school. He has composed four pieces for the Texas middle school UIL Concert and Sight-Reading contest published through RBC music.

Noah earned his B.A. in Music Education from Bloomsburg University in Bloomsburg, PA. He enjoys teaching, composing and singing with the Texas Master Chorale.

Coventry Carol

for SATB Voices* with Piano

ROBERT CROO (1534)

NOAH REESE

Rubato **rit.**

Piano *p*

5 **a tempo** ♩ = 108

9 **Soprano** *p*
Lul - ly, — lul - lay, thou lit - tle ti - ny child.

Alto *p*
Lul - ly, — lul - lay, thou lit - tle ti - ny child.

Tenor *p*
Lul - ly, — lul - lay, thou lit - tle ti - ny child.

Bass *p*
Lul - ly, — lul - lay, thou lit - tle ti - ny child.

* Also available for Three-Part Mixed Voices (BL1079), SSA Voices (BL1120), TBB Voices (CM9711) and SA Voices (BL1201).

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Bye bye, lul - ly, lul - lay.

Bye bye, lul - ly, lul - lay.

Bye bye, lul - ly, lul - lay.

Bye bye, lul - ly, lul - lay.

17

mp Lul - ly, lul - lay, thou lit - tle ti - ny child.

p Lul - ly, lul - lay,

Lul - ly, lul - lay, lit - tle ti - ny child.

mp Lul - ly, lul - lay, thou lit - tle ti - ny

do to pre - serve this day.

do to pre - serve this day.

do to pre - serve this day.

do to pre - serve this day.

mf This poor young - ling for whom we do sing,

mp Lul - - ly, lul - - lay,

mp This poor young - ling for whom we sing,

mf This poor young - ling for whom we do

37

“Bye bye, lul - ly, lul - lay?”

lul - - ly, lul - lay.

8 “Bye bye, lul - ly, lul lay?”

sing. “Lul - ly, lul - lay?”

41

f He - rod the king in his rag - ing,

f He - rod the king in his rag - ing,

f He - rod the king in his rag - ing,

f He - rod the king in his rag - ing,

45

char - ged he hath this day.

char - ged he hath this day.

char - ged he hath this day.

char - ged he hath this day.

49

ff His men of might in his own sight

ff His might in his own sight

ff His men of might in his own sight

ff His men of might in his own

53

all young chil - dren to slay.

chil - - dren to slay.

8 all young chil - dren to slay.

sight chil - dren to slay.

57

mf Lul - ly, — lul - lay, *rit.* *f* lul - ly lul - lay.

mf Lul - - ly, *f* lul - - lay.

mf Lul ly, lul lay, lul - ly, lul - lay.

mf Lul - ly — lul - lay, *f* lul - lay. *rit.*

rit.

a tempo

61

Bye bye, lul - ly, lul - lay.

Bye bye, lul - ly, lul - lay.

Bye bye, lul - ly, lul - lay.

Bye bye, lul - ly, lul - lay.

rit.

a tempo

p

66

rit.

pp

Bye bye, lul - ly, lul - lay.

pp

Bye bye, lul - ly, lul - lay.

pp

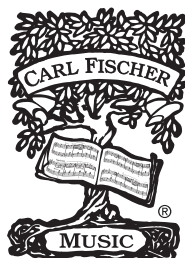
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Bye bye, lul - ly, lul - lay.

rit.

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