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A Cradle Song

for SATB Chorus

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for SATB Chorus unaccompanied

William Blake (1757–1827)

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Teneramente ♩ = 75

Soprano *mp* Sweet dreams, form a shade O'er my love - ly in - fant's head! Sweet *mp*

Alto *mp* Sweet dreams, form shade _ O'er my love - ly in - fant's head! Sweet *mp*
div. unis.

Tenor *mp* Sweet dreams, form shade O'er my love - ly in - fant's head! Sweet *mp*

Bass *mp* Sweet dreams, form shade O'er my love - ly in - fant's head! Sweet *mp*

Keyboard (for rehearsal only) **Teneramente** ♩ = 75

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mf dreams of pleas - ant streams By hap - py, si - lent, moon - y *mp*

mf dream of pleas - ant streams By hap - py, si - lent, moon - *mp*

mf dreams of pleas - ant streams By hap - py, si - lent, moon - *mp*

mf dreams of pleas - ant streams By hap - py, si - lent, moon - *mp*

11 *p* *mp sub.* *mf* *mp*

beams! Sweet Sleep, with soft down Weave thy brows an in - fant crown! — Sweet — Sleep, an - gel

beams! Sweet Sleep, with soft down Weave thy brows an in - fant crown! — Sweet — Sleep, an - gel

beams! Sweet Sleep, Sweet Sleep, Weave thy brows an in - fant crown! Sweet Sleep, an - gel

beams! Sweet Sleep, Sweet Sleep, Weave thy brows an in - fant crown! Sweet Sleep, an - gel

p *mp sub.* *mf* *mp*

beams! Sweet Sleep, Sweet Sleep, Weave thy brows an in - fant crown! Sweet Sleep, an - gel

17 *p* , *mp sub.* *rit.* *mf* *p* , = 75

mild, Ho - ver o'er my hap - py child! Sweet smiles, in the night Hov - er

mild, Ho - ver o'er my hap - py child! Sweet smiles, in the night Hov - er

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p , *mp sub.* *mf* *p* ,

mild, Ho - ver o'er my hap - py child! Sweet smiles, in the night Hov - er

p , *mp sub.* *mf* *p* ,

mild, Ho - ver o'er my hap - py child! Sweet smiles, in the night Hov - er

rit. = 75

23 *mp* *f sub.*

o-ver my de-light! Sweet smiles, moth-er's smiles, All the live-long night be-guiles. —

o-ver my de-light! Sweet smiles, moth-er's smiles, All the live-long night be-guiles. —

8 o-ver my de-light! Sweet smiles, moth-er's smiles, All night be-guiles. —

o-ver my de-light! Sweet smiles, moth-er's smiles, All night be-guiles. —

29 **Lontano** ♩ = 70, *p*

Sweet moans, dove-like sighs, Chase not slum-ber

Sweet moans, dove-like sighs, Chase not slum-ber

8 Sweet moans, dove-like sighs, Chase not slum-ber

Sweet moans, dove-like sighs, Chase not slum-ber

, **Lontano** ♩ = 70

35 *mf* *f*

from thy eyes! Sweet moans, sweet-er smiles, All the dove-like moans.

mf *f*

from — thy eyes! Sweet moans, sweet-er smiles, All the dove-like moans.

mf *f*

from — thy eyes! Sweet moans, sweet-er smiles, All,

mf *f* *div.*

from — thy eyes! Sweet moans, sweet-er smiles, All,

41 *mf* *mp* *f* *poco allargando*

be-guiles. Sleep hap-py child! — All cre-a-tion slept and smiled.

mf *mp*

be-guiles. Sleep hap-py child! — All cre-a-tion slept and smiled.

mf *mp* *f sub.* *div.* *unis.*

be-guiles. Sleep, sleep, child! — All cre-a-tion slept and smiled.

mf *mp* *f sub.* *unis.*

be-guiles. Sleep, sleep, child! — All cre-a-tion slept and smiled.

poco allargando

poco stringendo

47 *ff* *f* *mf* *mp* *p*

Sleep, hap - py sleep, While o'er thee

ff *mf* *mp* *p*

Sleep, hap - py sleep, While o'er thee

ff *mf* *mp* *p*

Sleep, sleep, sleep, While o'er thee

ff *mf* *mp* *p*

Sleep, sleep, sleep, While o'er thee

ff *mf* *mp* *p*

Sleep, sleep, sleep, While o'er thee

poco stringendo

poco allargando

Con moto ♩ = 75

53 *pp* *mp*

thy moth - er weep. Sweet babe, thy face Ho - ly im - age I can

pp *mp* *div.* *unis.*

thy moth - er weep. Sweet babe, in, face Ho - ly im - age I can

pp *mp*

thy moth - er weep. Sweet babe, in, face Ho - ly im - age I can

pp *mp*

thy moth - er weep. Sweet babe, in, face Ho - ly im - age I can

Con moto ♩ = 75

poco allargando

59 *mp* *mf* *p* *mp*

trace; Sweet babe, — once like thee Thy Mak - er lay, — and wept for

mp *mf* *p* *mp*

trace; Sweet babe, once like thee Thy Mak - er lay, and wept for

mp *mf* *p* *mp*

8 trace; Sweet babe, once like thee Thy Mak - er lay, and wept

mp *mf* *p* *mp*

trace; Sweet babe, once like thee Thy Mak - er lay, and wept,

65 *p* *mp sub.* *mf* *mp* *mf*

me: Wept for me, — for all, When He was an in-fant small. —

p *mp sub.* *mf* *mp* *mf*

me: Wept for me, — for all, When He was an in-fant small. —

p *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

8 me: — Wept for me, for thee, — for all, — When He was an in-fant small.

p *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

me: — Wept for me, for thee, — for all, — When He was an in-fant small.

Maestoso ♩ = 65*poco accel.*

71

p *f* , *p* *poco a poco cresc.*

Thou His im-age ev - er see, _____ Heav - en - ly face that smiles on thee! _____

p *f* , *p* *div. poco a poco cresc.*

Thou His im-age ev - er see, _____ Heav - en - ly face that smiles on thee!

p *f* , *p* *div. poco a poco cresc.*

Thou His im-age ev - er see, _____ Heav - en - ly face that smiles on thee!

p *f* , *p* *poco a poco cresc.*

Thou His im-age ev - er see, _____ Heav - en - ly face that smiles on thee!

Maestoso ♩ = 65*poco accel.***With passion** ♩ = 75*poco accel.**rit.*

♩ = 75

77

f *ff* *mp* , *p*

Smiles on thee, on me, on all, Who be - came an in - fant small; In - fant

f unis. *ff* *mp* , *p*

Smiles on thee, on me, on all, Who be - came an in - fant small; In - fant

f unis. *ff* *mp* , *p*

Smiles on thee, on me, on all, Who be - came an in - fant small; In - fant

f *ff* *mp* , *p*

Smiles on thee, on me, on all, Who be - came an in - fant small; In - fant

With passion ♩ = 75

♩ = 75

*poco string.**rit.*

84 *rit.* *f* *mf* *p* *rit.* *lunga* *p* *n*

div. *f* *mf* *p* *mp* *p* *n*

div. unis. *f* *mf* *p* *mp* *p* *n*

div. unis. *f* *mf* *p* *mp* *p* *n*

smiles are His own smiles; Heav - en and earth to peace be - guiles.

smiles - are His own smiles; Heav - en and earth to peace - be - guiles.

smiles are His — own smiles; Heav - en and ea to peace be - guiles.

smiles - are His own smiles; Heav - en and earth to each be - guiles.

rit. *poco allargando* *rit.* *lunga*

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Sweet dreams, for my dear
O'er my loved infant's head!
Sweet dreams of pleasant streams
By happy, silent, moony beams!
Sweet sleep, with soft down
O'er thy brows an infant crown!
Sweet sleep, angel mild,
Hover o'er my happy child!
Sweet smiles, in the night
Hover over my darling!
Sweet smiles, mother's smiles,
All the living night beguiles.
Sweet moans, dovelike sighs,
Chase not slumber from thy eyes!
Sweet moans, sweeter smiles,
All the dovelike moans beguiles.

Sleep, sleep, happy child!
All creation slept and smiled.
Sleep, sleep, happy sleep,
While o'er thee thy mother weep.

Sweet babe, in thy face
Holy image I can trace;
Sweet babe, once like thee
Thy Maker lay, and wept for me:

Wept for me, for thee, for all,
When He was an infant small.
Thou His image ever see,
Heavenly face that smiles on thee!

Smiles on thee, on me, on all,
Who became an infant small;
Infant smiles are His own smiles;
Heaven and earth to peace beguiles.

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