

Drop down, ye heavens, from above

Text: from the Advent Prose

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In free speech rhythm (as plainsong)

mp

SOPRANO
Drop down ye hea-vens from a - bove, and let theskies pour down right-eous-ness.

mp

ALTO
Drop down ye hea-vens from a - bove, and let theskies pour down right-eous-ness.

TENOR
8

mp

BASS
Drop down ye hea-vens from a - bove, and let theskies pour down right-eous-ness.

PIANO
(for rehearsal only)

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Com - fort ye, com - fort ye my peo - ple; my sal - va - tion shall not tar - ry.

Com - fort ye, com - fort ye my peo - ple; my sal - va - tion shall not tar - ry.

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✓ short break for breath; ♪ slightly longer break

A setting of the plainsong *Rorate Coeli*, first performed by the choir of Trinity College, Cambridge on 2nd December 1984

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5 *mf warmer* *mp*

I have blot - ted out as a thick cloud, thy trans - gres - sions:

mf warmer *mp*

I have blot - ted out as a thick cloud, thy trans - gres - sions:

mf warmer *mp*

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mf warmer *mp*

I have blot - ted out as a thick cloud, thy trans - gres - sions:

7 *f* *mf* *f* *mp*

Fear not, for I will save thee; For I am the Lord thy God,

f *mf* *f* *mp*

Fear not, for I will save thee; For I am the Lord thy God,

f *mf* *f* *mp*

Fear not, for I will save thee; For I am the Lord thy God,

f *mf* *f* *mp*

Fear not, for I will save thee; For I am the Lord thy God,

9 S.1 *mp* *mf* *mp*

the ho - ly one of Is - ra - el, thy re - deem - er.

S.2 *p* *mp*

Is - - - - - ra - el, thy re - dee -

p *mp*

Is - - - - - ra - el, thy re - dee -

p *mp*

Is - - - - - ra - el, thy re - dee -

mp *mf* *mp*

the ho - ly one of Is - ra - el, thy re - deem - er.

11 *mp* *p*

Drop down ye hea - vens from a - bove, and let the skies pour down right - eous - ness.

mp *p*

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mp *p*

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