

and the swallow
(psalm 84)

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♩ = 76

p

Soprano

how be - lov - ed is your dwel - ling place, o lord of hosts

Alto

how be - lov - ed is your dwel - ling place, o lord of hosts

Tenor

how be - lov - ed is your dwel - ling place, o lord of hosts

Bass

how be - lov - ed is your dwel - ling place, o lord of hosts

The musical score is written for four voices: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass. It is in 3/4 time with a tempo of 76 beats per minute. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The score consists of two measures. The first measure contains the lyrics 'how be - lov - ed is your' and the second measure contains 'dwel - ling place, o lord of hosts'. Each voice part features a triplet of eighth notes in the first measure and a triplet of quarter notes in the second measure. The lyrics are aligned with the notes: 'how' under the first triplet, 'be - lov - ed' under the second triplet, 'is your' under the first triplet of the second measure, and 'dwel - ling place, o lord of hosts' under the second triplet of the second measure.

2 4

S

how be - lov - ed how be - lov - ed is your

p

how be - lov -

A

how be - lov - ed how be - lov - ed is your

p

how be - lov -

T

how be - lov - ed how be - lov - ed is your

p

how be - lov -

B

how be - lov - ed how be - lov - ed is your

p

how be - lov -

6 3

S

dwel - ling place, o lord oh *mm* my soul yearns

mp

- - ed oh *mm* my soul yearns

A

dwel - ling place, o lord oh *mm* my soul yearns

mp

- - ed oh *mm* my soul yearns

T

dwel - ling place, o lord oh *mm* my soul yearns

mp

- - ed oh *mm* my soul yearns

B

dwel - ling place, o lord oh *mm* my soul yearns

mp

- - ed oh *mm* my soul yearns

4 10

S

faints

out

mf

my soul yearns

mf

out

A

faints

mf

my heart and my flesh cry

my soul yearns

mf

my heart and my flesh cry

my heart

T

faints

mf

my heart and my flesh cry

my soul yearns

mf

my heart and my flesh cry

my heart

B

faints

mf

my heart and my flesh cry

my soul yearns

mf

my heart and my flesh cry

my heart

14 5

S

p

mm

p

mm

A

p

mm

p

mm

and my flesh cry

T

and my flesh cry

B

and my flesh cry

S *dim.* *pp*
 A *dim.* *pp*
 T *dim.* *pp*
 B *dim.* *pp*
 T *mp*
 B *mp*
 the
 the
 the
 the
 the

S
 A *mp*
 T *mp*
 B *mp*
 the spar - row found a house,
 the spar - row found a house,
 spar - row found a house the spar - row found a house,
 spar - row found a house the spar - row found a house,
 spar - row found a house the spar - row found a house,
 spar - row found a house the spar - row found a house,

S

p
oo

A

p
oo

and the swal - low, her nest the spar row found a house

T

and the swal - low, her nest the spar row found a house

B

and the swal - low, her nest the spar row found a house

and the swal - low, the spar row found a house and the swal - low,

S



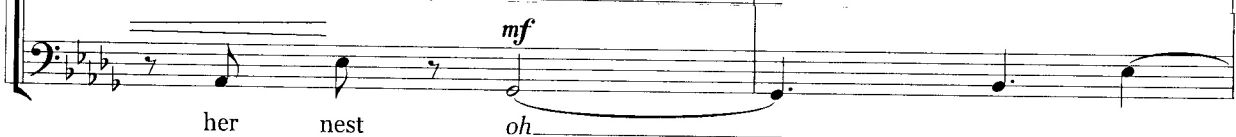
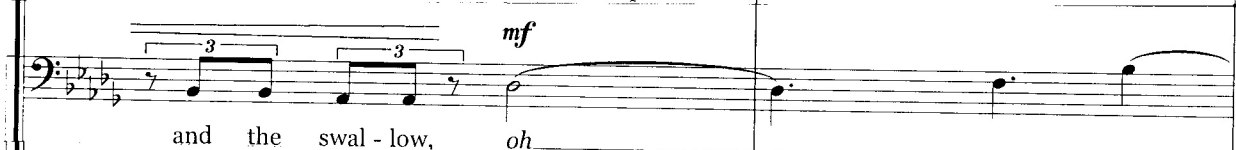
A



T



B



S *swal-low her nest, where she may where she may where she may*

A *swal-low her nest, where she may where she may where she may*

T *where she may where she may where she may*

B

S *she may* *p* *mm* *oh*

A *she may* *p* *mm* *oh*

T *raise her young* *p* *mm* *oh*

B *raise her young* *p* *mm* *oh*

raise her young mm oh

[illegible][illegible]

S

pass through the val - ley they pass they pass

pass through the val - ley they pass

they make it a place of springs

pass through the val - ley they pass they pass

they make it a place of springs

pass through the val - ley they pass they pass

they make it a place of springs

pass through the val - ley they pass they pass

B

S

through the val - ley they pass through

oh

oh

through the val - ley they pass through

oh

through the val - ley they pass through

oh

through the val - ley they pass through

na'n'n'

na'n'n'

na'n'n'

na'n'n'

A

T

B

S

A

T

B

the

pp

na'n'n'

pp

na'n'n'

p

the

pp

na'n'n'

p

the

p

mm

na'n'n'

S

A

T

B

au - tumn rains al - so cov - er it with pools

au - tumn rains al - so cov - er it with pools

au - tumn rains al - so cov - er it with pools

au - tumn rains al - so cov - er it with pools