

# THE LAMB

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NOTE: Bars are not numbered in the printed version.

With extreme tenderness - flexible - always guided by the words

Soprano *p*  
Lit - tle lamb, \_\_\_ who \_\_\_ made thee? Dost thou know \_\_\_ who \_\_\_ made thee?

Alto *p*  
Dost thou know \_\_\_ who \_\_\_ made thee?

Tenor

Bass

[Moving forward]

Soprano  
Gave thee life, and bid thee feed By the stream and o'er the mead;

Alto

Tenor

Bass

5 Soprano *poco pp* *Poco meno mosso*  
Gave thee cloth - ing of de - light, Soft - est cloth - ing, wool - ly, bright; Gave thee such a ten - der voice,

Alto *pp*  
Gave thee cloth - ing of de - light, Soft - est cloth - ing, wool - ly, bright; Gave thee such a ten - der voice,

Tenor *pp*  
Gave thee such a ten - der voice,

Bass *pp*  
Gave thee such a ten - der voice,

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Soprano  
 Mak - ing all the vales re - joice? Lit - tle Lamb, \_\_\_ who \_\_\_ made thee?

Alto  
 Mak - ing all the vales re - joice? Lit - tle Lamb, \_\_\_ who \_\_\_ made thee?

Tenor  
 Mak - ing all the vales re - joice? Lit - tle Lamb, who \_\_\_ made thee?

Bass  
 Mak - ing all the vales re - joice? Lit - tle Lamb, who made thee?

10 *A tempo - moving forward*  
*mp*  
 Soprano  
 Dost thou know \_\_\_ who \_\_\_ made thee? Lit - tle Lamb, \_\_\_ I'll \_\_\_ tell thee,

Alto  
 Dost thou know \_\_\_ who \_\_\_ made thee? Lit - tle Lamb, \_\_\_ I'll \_\_\_ tell thee,

Tenor  
 Dost thou know who made thee? Lit - tle Lamb, \_\_\_ I'll \_\_\_ tell thee,

Bass  
 Dost thou know who made thee? Lit - tle Lamb, \_\_\_ I'll \_\_\_ tell thee,

Soprano  
 Lit - tle Lamb, \_\_\_ I'll \_\_\_ tell thee; He is call'd \_\_\_ by thy name, For he calls him - self a Lamb.

Alto  
 Lit - tle Lamb, \_\_\_ I'll \_\_\_ tell thee; He is call'd \_\_\_ by thy name, For he calls him - self a Lamb.

Tenor  
 Lit - tle Lamb, \_\_\_ I'll \_\_\_ tell thee; He is call'd \_\_\_ by thy name, For he calls him - self a Lamb.

Bass  
 Lit - tle Lamb, \_\_\_ I'll \_\_\_ tell thee; He is call'd \_\_\_ by thy name, For he calls him - self a Lamb.

15 *poco*

Soprano  
He is meek, and he is mild, He be - came a lit - tle child.

Alto  
He is meek, and he is mild, He be - came a lit - tle child.

Tenor  
He is meek, and he is mild, He be - came a lit - tle child.

Bass  
He is meek, and he is mild, He be - came a lit - tle child.

*Poco meno mosso*  
*pp*

Soprano  
I, a child, and thou, a lamb, We are call'd \_\_\_ by his name.

Alto  
*pp*  
I, a child, and thou, a lamb, We are call'd \_\_\_ by his name.

Tenor  
*pp*  
I, a child, and thou, a lamb, We are call'd by his name.

Bass  
*pp*  
I, a child, and thou, a lamb, We are call'd by his name.

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Soprano  
Lit - tle lamb, \_\_\_ God \_\_\_ bless thee! Lit - tle lamb, \_\_\_ God \_\_\_ bless thee!

Alto  
Lit - tle lamb, \_\_\_ God \_\_\_ bless thee! Lit - tle lamb, \_\_\_ God \_\_\_ bless thee!

Tenor  
Lit - tle lamb, God \_\_\_ bless thee! Lit - tle lamb, God \_\_\_ bless thee!

Bass  
Lit - tle lamb, God bless thee! Lit - tle lamb, God bless thee!