

for John Barron, CM (1939–2014)

Friend, Pass Softly

for SATB Chorus unaccompanied

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Legato ♩ = 74 *rit.*

mp *mf* *p*

Soprano
Friend, pass soft - ly. Here is one Morn - ing spent her* gold up - on;
(his)

Alto
Friend, pass soft - ly. Here is one Morn - ing spent her* gold up - on;
(his)

Tenor
Friend, pass soft - ly. Here is one Morn - ing spent her* gold up - on;
(his)

Bass
Friend, pass soft - ly. Here is one Morn - ing spent her* gold up - on;
(his)

Legato ♩ = 74 *rit.*

Keyboard
(for rehearsal only)

* Female-specific words in the original text may be changed to male-specific words throughout to fit the particular occasion.

a tempo

8 *mf* *mp* *mf*

Suns _____ en - riched her, and the beat_ of A - pril's tide _____
(him,)

mf *mp* *mf*

Suns _____ en - riched her, beat of A - pril's tide _____
(him,)

mf *mp* *mf*

Suns _____ en - riched her, beat of A - pril's tide _____
(him,)

mf *mp* *mf*

Suns _____ en - riched her, beat_ of A - pril's tide _____
(him,)

a tempo

Piano accompaniment for the first system, measures 8-14.

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rit.

a tempo

f *mp* *p* *p*

flowed _____ at her feet. With each blos - - som,
(his)

f *mp* *p* *p*

flowed _____ at her feet. With each blos - - som,
(his)

f *mp* *p* *p*

flowed _____ at her feet. With each blos - - som,
(his)

f *mp* *p* *p*

flowed _____ at her feet. With each blos - - som,
(his)

rit.

a tempo

Piano accompaniment for the second system, measures 15-21.

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love - - li - er she; Spring for - gets her
(he;) (him)

love - - li - er she; Spring for - gets her
(he;) (him)

love - - li - er she; Spring for - gets her
(he;) (him)

love - - li - er she; Spring for - gets her
(he;) (him)

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now, Count her sum - mers by our grief.
(his)

now, and we Count her sum - mers by our grief.
(his)

now, Count her sum - mers by our grief.
(his)

now, Count her sum - mers by our grief.
(his)

32 **Meno mosso** *rit. al fine*

p rubato *n*

Friend, pass soft - ly, — soft - ly, soft - ly.

p rubato *n*

Friend, pass soft - ly, — soft - ly, soft - ly.

p rubato *n*

Friend, pass soft - ly, — soft - ly, soft - ly.

p rubato *n*

Friend, pass soft - ly, — soft - ly, soft - ly.

Meno mosso *rit. al fine*

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