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# A Boy Is Born in Bethlehem

for SATB Chorus unaccompanied

*Puer natus in Bethlehem*

William Averitt

15th Century Latin

C. P. Krauth (1823–1883) tr., alt.

Gently, folk-like ♩ = 68

Soprano *pp*

A boy is born in Beth-le-hem, There-fore re-joyce, Je - ru - sa-lem.

Soprano *pp*

S Al-le-lu - ia! With-in a man-ger He doth lie Whose throne is set a-  
A With-in a man-ger He doth lie, Whose throne is set a-

Soprano *pp*

S bove the sky. Al-le-lu - ia!  
A bove the sky. Al-le-lu - ia!

Tenor *p*

T Still - ness,  
B Still - ness,

(for rehearsal only)

13 (2 + 3)

S *pp* *p* *p*  
 Still - ness was all the man - ger round; The

A *pp* *p* *p*  
 Still - ness was all the man - ger round; The

T *pp* *p* *p*  
 still - ness was all the man - ger round; The

B *pp* *p* *p*  
 still - ness was all the man ger round; The

18 *mp* *pp* (2 + 3)

S *mp* *pp* *p*  
 crea- tures their Cre- a - tor found. Al- le- lu - ia!

A *mp* *pp* *p*  
 crea- tures their Cre- a - tor found. Al- le- lu - ia!

T *mp* *pp*  
 crea- tures their Cre- a - tor found.

B *mp* *pp*  
 crea- tures their Cre- a - tor found.

21 *pp*

S

A

T

B

Al - le - lu - ia!

The wise men came, led by the star,

The wise men came, led by the

24 *pp*

T

B

Gold, myrrh, and in - cense brought from far.

star, Gold, myrrh, and in - cense brought from far.

26 (2 + 3) (3 + 2) *pp*

S His moth-er is the

A *pp* *ppp*  
Al - le-lu - ia!

T *p* *ppp*  
Al - le-lu - ia!

B *p* *ppp*  
Al - le-lu - ia!

(2 + 3) (3 + 2)

29 *ppp* *pp* *mp*

S Vir - gin mild, Al - le - lu -

A *pp* *pp*  
He is the Fa - ther's on - ly child.

T *mp*  
Al -

B *pp*

32 (2 + 3) *p* *mf* *p*

S - ia! The ser - pent's wound He \_

A *mp* *mf* *p*  
Al - le - lu - ia! The ser - pent's wound He \_

T - le - lu - ia!

B *mp* *p*  
Al - le - lu - ia!

(2 + 3)

34 *mf* *mf*

S bear - eth not, Yet takes our blood, and shares our lot.

A *mf* *mf*  
bear - eth not, Yet takes our blood, and shares our lot.

T *mf*  
Yet takes our blood, and shares our lot.

B *mf*  
and shares our lot.

(2 + 3) (3 + 4)

37 *f* *solo*

S Our hu-man flock He en-ters in, — But bears no sin-gle taint of sin. —

A Our hu-man flock He en-ters in, — But bears no sin-gle taint of sin. —

T Our hu-man flock He en-ters in, — But bears no sin-gle taint of sin. —

B Our hu-man flock He en-ters in, — But bears no sin-gle taint of sin. —

(2 + 3) (3 + 4)

43 *unis.* *f* *p* *pp*

S Al-le-lu - ia! — Al - le-lu - - ia!

A Al-le-lu - - ia!

T Al-le-lu - ia! — To fall-en man Him-

B Al-le-lu - ia! — To fall-en man —

46

T *pp*  
self He bowed, That He might lift us up to God.

B *pp*  
— Him-self He bowed, That He might lift us up to God.

49

S *pp* (2 + 3) *pp*  
Al-le-lu - ia! On this most

A *pp* *pp*  
Al-le-lu - ia! On this most

T *p*  
On this, on this most \_

B *p*  
On this, on this most

(2 + 3)

53

S *p* bless - ed ju - bi - lee, *p* All glo-ry be, O God, to *mp*

A *p* bless - ed ju - bi - lee, *p* All glo-ry be, O God, to *mp*

T *p* bless - ed ju - bi - lee, *p* All glo-ry be, O God, to *mp*

B *p* bless - ed ju - bi - lee, *pp* Bless'd ju - bi-lee, *p* All glo-ry be, O God, to *mp*

58

S *pp* (2 + 3) Thee. — *ppp* O Ho-ly Three, we

A *pp* Thee. —

T *pp* Thee. — Al - le - lu - ia! *pp* *ppp*

B *pp* Thee. — Al - le - lu - ia! *pp* *ppp*  
(2 + 3)

63

S

Thee a - dore, This day, hence - forth, for - ev - er - more.

66

S

Al - le - lu - ia!

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3:50

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