

To Kathy Saltzman Romey, with thanks

Fragrant the Prayer

SATB a cappella, with soprano and tenor solos

Anonymous Irish text

Translation: Alice Furlong (1875 - 1946)

Curt Oliver

Freely
mp

Soprano solo

Fra - grant the prayer, Breath of the rose in air!

mf **poco rit.** **Slowly** $\text{♩} = \text{c.54}$ *mp* SATB

Fra-grant the prayer My child taught me, fra - grant the prayer! — The

5

Son of Ma - ry bought me, the Son of Ma - ry craved me, the

7 *ff* *f*

Son of Ma - ry saved me. Fra-grant the prayer, fra - grant the prayer,
Ah! Fra - grant the prayer, fra - grant the

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fra - grant the prayer of the child! — Breath of the rose in air!

prayer of the child! —

p

11 Freely

Tenor (or Baritone) solo

In grey of morn Christ — was for - lorn!

mp

13 *poco rit.* *Slowly* SATB *mp*

In grey of morn the birds call kind - ly In grey of morn! — Be

mf *mp*

15

not my eyes shut blind - ly! The Son of Ma - ry wept me, the

17 *ff* *f*

Son of Ma - ry kept me, In grey of morn, in grey of morn,

Ah! In grey of morn, in grey of

ff *f*

19 *p* *p*

In grey of morn Christ was for - lorn! O

morn, grey of morn

p *p*

21 *più mosso* *mp*

Coun - te - nance like the Em - ber, Bid me re - mem - ber the

mp

23

Lamb of God, sore - tak - en, the Lamb of God for - sak - en, the

25 *f*

Lamb of God un - der clay, three days till Res - ur - rec - tion

f

27 *ff* *a tempo* *mf*

Day! O Coun - te - nance like the Em - ber,

ff *mf*

29 *mp* *Soprano solo* *Freely*

Bid me re - mem - ber! Fra - grant the prayer, Breath of the rose in

Hm

pp

31 *poco rit.*

air! Fra - grant the prayer My child taught me:

Hm

33 *pp* *Soprano solo* *Ah!*

Bid me re - mem - ber!

pp