

# Sacred Task

Lyrics by Joan Ann Waldron

Vocal Duet

Music by Connie Stauffer

Andante (♩ = 80)

Piano

*mp*

The piano introduction consists of two staves in 4/4 time, marked *mp*. The right hand features a series of chords and moving lines, while the left hand plays a steady eighth-note accompaniment.

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S. A call that came to - day, \_\_\_\_\_ in - volves the sis - ter down the way.

A.

This section contains the first vocal lines for Soprano (S.) and Alto (A.), with piano accompaniment. The Soprano part begins with a rest followed by a melodic line. The Alto part follows with a similar melodic line. The piano accompaniment continues with its eighth-note pattern.

9

S. It is a bless - ing rare. The Lord has placed her in my care.

A.

This section contains the second vocal lines for Soprano (S.) and Alto (A.), with piano accompaniment. The Soprano part continues with a melodic line. The Alto part follows with a similar melodic line. The piano accompaniment continues with its eighth-note pattern.

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S. May I fill this hall-owed call \_\_\_\_\_ and strive un - ceasing-ly \_\_\_\_\_ to fill it

A.

17

S. right-ous-ly and bring to it my great-est love, my great-est love. So this

A.

21

S. sa-cred task \_\_\_\_\_ of mine \_\_\_\_\_ needs a de - di - ca - tion be-yond du - ty.

A. this sa-cred task of mine \_\_\_\_\_

25

S. It re-quires my con-stant prayer. The Lord has placed her in my care.

A.

29

S. So I pray \_\_\_\_\_ that the Lord will help me fill her world with beau - ty.

A. And so I hum-bly pray

33

S. To her my gifts I'll bear. For He has placed her in my care.

A.

37

S. I'll be her friend and men-tor too. We'll share the sim-ple things; the joy the

A.

41

S. gos-pel brings. I'll share her joys and sor-rows too. Yes, this I'll do.

A.

So this

45

S. This sa-cred task of mine, \_\_\_\_\_ may I fill it in the man-ner of the Mas - ter.

A. sa-cred task \_\_\_\_\_ of

49

S. *rit.*

A. With her my gifts I'll share, for He has placed her in my care.

*rit.* *a tempo*

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*rit.* *pp*