

An Orkney elegy

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Largo $\text{♩} = 50$
mp

SOPRANO
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ALTO
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TENOR
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BASS
Be- yond Ska-ra Brae To- day's sun drowns in the sea. The

I THE SHORT DAY'S CLOSE

Più mosso $\text{♩} = 60$
pp

5
S. sky fills with fire. Ah,

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A. sky fills with fire. When my bones are picked clean, Place them with the

T. sky fills with fire. Ah,

B. sky fills with fire. Ah,

10

S. *mf* *pp*
 — And the swift sea- eag - le's; Lay them und-er the earth, —

S. *mf* *pp*
 — And the swift sea- eag - le's; Lay them und-er the earth, —

A. *sempre mf*
 ot - ter's And the swift sea- eag - le's; Lay them und-er the earth,

T. *pp*
 — ah. — Lay them und-er the earth, —

B. *pp*
 — ah. — Lay them und-er the earth, —

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S. *ppp* *mp* *mf* *f*
 — Let the sun- fire bless them. —

S. *ppp* *mp* *mf* *f*
 — Let the sun- fire bless them. —

A. *mp* *mf* *f*
 But at the short day's close — Let the sun - fire bless — them. —

T. *ppp* *mp* *mf* *f*
 — Let the sun - fire bless — them. —

B. *ppp* *mp* *mf* *f*
 — Let the sun - fire bless — them. —

A

19 **Tempo primo** $\text{♩} = 50$

S. *mp* To re-new the earth.

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A. *mp* To re-new the earth.

T. *mp* The Ring of Brod-gar Sil-ent-ly prays the old gods To re-new the earth.

B. *mp* The Ring of Brod-gar Sil-ent-ly prays the old gods To re-new the earth.

II SEA AND SKY

24 **Più mosso** $\text{♩} = 60$

S. *ppp* Blue skies, blue skies, mid-day skies,

S. *mf* To the east it's as blue as the mid-day skies That the build-ers of Maes-howe once knew,

A. *ppp* Blue skies, blue skies, mid-day skies blue mid-day

T. *ppp* Blue skies, blue skies, mid-day skies blue mid-day

B. *ppp* Blue skies, blue skies, mid-day skies blue mid-day

28 *mf*

S. While the west's like the white on a sku - a's wing As he screams out his name to the mew; _____

pp

S. West - ern white skies, white skies, west - ern skies; _____

pp

A. skies, West - ern white skies, white skies, west - ern skies; _____

pp

T. skies, West - ern white skies, white skies, west - ern skies; _____

pp

B. skies, West - ern white skies, white skies, west - ern skies; _____

33 **B**

S. _____

S. _____

A. _____

mf

T. From the north comes the black of the sel - kie king As he swims to-ward Eyn-hal-low

mp

B. From the north black sel - kie swim - -

37

S. *pp*
Sel - kie king swim - ming, orph - an's eyes, orph - an's eyes are

S. *pp*
Sel - kie king swim - ming, orph - an's eyes, orph - an's eyes are

A. *pp*
Sel - kie king swim - ming, orph - an's eyes, orph - an's eyes are

T. *p*
8 Sound, And the south is as red as an orph - an's eyes When he learns that his fath - er is

B. *p*
ing, south is red, orph - an's eyes are

C

Tempo primo $\text{♩} = 50$

41

S. *mp* *poco*
red. Low cloud screens the moon From the dead of

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A. *mp* *poco*
red. Low cloud screens the moon From the dead of

T. *p*
8 drown'd. —

B. *p*
red.

47

S. *p* Sca - pa Flow, Shroud - ing the wat - er.

S. *p* Sca - pa Flow, Shroud - ing the wat - er.

A. *p* Sca - pa Flow, Shroud - ing the wat - er.

T.

B.

III MAGNUS, MARTYR

53

S. *pppp rit.* $\text{♩} = 150$ *mf* Mult-i - tudes All sing-ing "Al - le - lu - ia!

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A. *pppp rit.* $\text{♩} = 150$ *mf* Mult-i - tudes All sing-ing "Al - le - lu - ia!

T. *mf* Mag - nus, mar - tyr: Mult-i - tudes came to praise him, All sing-ing "Al - le - lu - ia!

B. *mf* Mag - nus, mar - tyr: Mult-i tudes came to praise him, All sing-ing "Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

59

S. Great is our guide and ment-or, Nob-le humb-le and stead-fast, Un-stained by sin, most ho-

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T. Great is our guide and ment-or, Nob-le humb-le and stead-fast, Un-stained by sin, most ho-

B. Great is our guide and ment-or, Nob-le humb-le and stead-fast, Un-stained by sin, most ho-

(♩. = ♩. = 50)

64

S. ly." Shall I too die with-out fear?

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A. ly." Shall I too die with-out fear?

T. ly." Shall I too die with-out fear?

B. ly." Shall I too die with-out fear?

69 **D** *mf*

S. Will to - mor - row's dawn _____ Raise _____ yet a -

S. *ppp* Ah, _____ ah. _____

A. *ppp* Ah, _____ ah. _____

T. *ppp* Ah, _____ ah. _____

B. *ppp* Ah, _____ ah. _____

73 *rall.*

S. gain _____ the Hoy hills _____ from the mist - y air? _____

S. *rall.* _____

A. *rall.* _____

T. *rall.* _____

B. *rall.* _____