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This *a cappella* arrangement of the well-known Christmas carol, "Away in a Manger" is set for SATB, and also features a soprano soloist in the introduction to each verse, at the end and (optionally) in the first verse.

The tune is the one most closely associated with these words in the UK - Cradle Song, by W J Kirkpatrick. It needs to flow gently, as a lullaby, *molto legato*. In the middle verse, *The cattle are lowing*, the tenors have the tune, which should be more prominent than the accompanying parts.

This arrangement, in a modified form, is also used in Gordon Thornett's "Children's Christmas Suite", which is can be viewed (and listened to) on the Swirly Music web site at www.SwirlyMusic.com.

Gordon Thornett has written a number of choral pieces for Christmas, published in the UK by OUP and in Norway by Norsk Musikforlag. Some other Christmas titles are obtainable from Swirly Music (www.SwirlyMusic.com). His Festive Christmas Overture 'The Joy of Christmas' is published in the UK by Faber Music.

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Anon.

Away in a Manger

W J Kirkpatrick
arr. Gordon Thornett

Andante con moto ♩ = 80

Soprano solo (small notes): Ah_____ ah_____

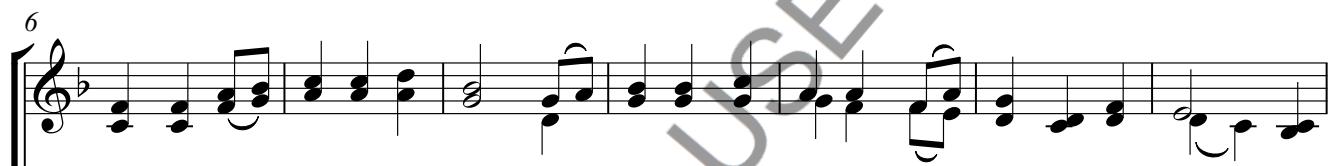
SOPRANO
ALTO



TENOR
BASS



S.
A.



man- ger, no— crib for a bed, The lit - tle Lord Je-sus laid down his sweet head, The

T.
B.



— no crib,

S.
A.



stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay, The little Lord Jesus a - sleep on the

T.
B.



*If preferred, verse 1 could be sung as a solo, with the rest of the choir humming.

Sop solo: Ah_____ ah_____

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S. A.

T. B.

24

[Melody in tenor part]

S. A.

T. B.

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S. A.

T. B.

36

S. A.

T. B.

Solo: Oo oo
nigh. Mm mm mm 3. Be near me, Lord

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S. A.

3. Be near me, Lord
nigh. Be

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T. B.

Je-sus, I ask thee to stay Close by me for ev-er and love me, I pray. Bless
near me, I ask thee to stay

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S. A.

all the dear child-ren in thy ten-der care, And fit us for heav-en to
53

mp

T. B.

A little slower
Ah ah
[S/A tutti sing bold notes.]
live with thee there. Ah ah to live with thee there.
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S. A.

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