

for the choir of The Church of the Holy Faith, Santa Fe

# I wonder as I wander

American folk hymn, vv.1,4  
John Jacob Niles (1892-1980), vv.2,3

American folk melody  
coll. by John Jacob Niles, 1933  
arr. Chris Biemesderfer (b.1958)

(♩ = 78) *Solo, or semi-chorus*

*mp* 1. I won-der as I wan-der out un-der the sky, how Je-sus the Sa-vior did

*p*

Man.

8

come for to die for poor on'-ry peo-ple like you and like I... I won-der as I wan-der

Ped. Man.

16

*All SA*

out un-der the sky. *mp* 2. When Ma-ry birthed Je-sus, 'twas

Ped.

22

in a cow's stall, with wise men and farm - ers and shep - herds and

27

all. But high from the heav'ns a star's light did fall, *mf* and the

Man.

32

prom-ise of a - ges, of a - ges *mf* it then did re - call. *mp* 3. If

*mf* and the prom-ise of a - ges *mf* it then did re - call.

39 Je-sus had want-ed for a - ny wee thing, a star in the sky or a bird on the wing,

Je-sus had want-ed a - ny thing, a star, a bird on the wing, or

Ped.

47 all of God's an-gels in heav'n for to sing, he sure-ly could have had it, *mp* 'cause

54 *mp* 4. I won-der as I wan-der out un - der the sky, how

he was the King. *p* Oh \_\_\_\_\_ Oh \_\_\_\_\_

*p* Oh \_\_\_\_\_ Oh \_\_\_\_\_

Man.

61 Je - sus the Sa - vior did come for to die for poor on' - ry peo - ple like you and like

Oh

Ped.

68 I...

*a tempo*

*mp* I won - der as I wan - der *p* out un - der the sky.

*rit.*

*rall.*

*a tempo*

*p*

*rit.*

Man.

Ped.