

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.

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

Ped. Man.

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All SA

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

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Ped.

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

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

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

Man.

rall. , *a tempo*

prom - ise of a - ges *mf* it

prom - ise of a - ges, and the prom - ise of a - ges *mf* it

mf and the prom - ise of a - ges *mf* it

mf and the prom - ise of a - ges, of a - ges *mf* it

then did re - call. *mp* 3. If Je - sus had want-ed for a - ny wee thing, a

then did re - call. *mp* 3. If Je - sus had want-ed for a - ny thing, a

then did re - call. *mp* 3. If Je - sus had want-ed a - ny thing, a

then did re - call. *mp* 3. If He had want-ed a - ny thing, a

Ped.

star in the sky or a bird on the wing, or all of God's an-gels in heav'n for to

star, a bird on the wing, or all of God's an-gels in heav'n for to

star, a bird on the wing, or all in heav'n to

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sing, he sure-ly could have had it, *mp* 'cause he was the King.
 sing, he sure could have had it, *mp* 'cause he was the King.
 sing, he sure could have had it,
 sing, he sure-ly could have had it,

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mp 4. I won-der as I wan-der out un-der the sky, how Je-sus the
p Oh _____ Oh _____
p Oh _____ Oh _____
p Oh _____ Oh _____
p *II* _____
I _____
I.h. optional (on II)

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Sa - vior did come for to die for poor on' - ry peo - ple like you and like I... I
 Oh *mp* I
 Oh *mp* I
 Oh *mp* I
 Ped. (& l.h.)

rall.

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

a tempo

rit.