

To my good friend and mentor, David Andrews Rogers  
and to the memory of his mother, Margaret Elizabeth "Betty" Andrews Rogers

# The Lord Bless and Keep You

Numbers 6:24-26

Setting by Matthew J. Pool

Cantabile con rubato (♩ = c. 78)

The musical score is written for SATB voices and piano. It begins with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a 4/4 time signature. The tempo and mood are indicated as 'Cantabile con rubato' with a quarter note equal to approximately 78 beats per minute. The score is divided into two systems. The first system covers measures 1 through 5, and the second system covers measures 6 through 10. The vocal parts (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) all sing the same lyrics. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support, with dynamics ranging from *pp* (pianissimo) to *mp* (mezzo-piano). The lyrics are: 'The Lord bless and keep you, the Lord bless and keep you; The Lord make his face shine up - on you and be gra - cious to you and be'. The piano part includes a rehearsal mark '(rehearsal only)' for the first system. The score concludes with a fermata over the final notes of the vocal lines.

S  
The Lord bless and keep you, the Lord bless and keep you; The Lord make his  
*pp* *mp*

A  
The Lord bless and keep you, the Lord bless and keep you; The Lord make his  
*pp* *mp*

T  
The Lord bless and keep you, the Lord bless and keep you; The Lord make his  
*pp* *mp*

B  
The Lord bless and keep you, the Lord bless and keep you; The Lord make his  
*pp* *mp*

Piano  
(rehearsal only)  
*pp* *mp*

6  
face shine up - on you and be gra - cious to you and be  
*p*

6  
face shine up - on you and be gra - cious to you and be  
*p*

6  
face shine up - on you and be gra - cious to you and be  
*p*

6  
face shine up - on you and be gra - cious to you and be  
*p*

11

gra - cious to you; The Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace. *mf* *mp*

gra - cious to you; The Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace. *mf* *mp*

8 gra - cious to you; The Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace. *mf* *mp*

11 gra - cious to you; The Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace. *mf* *mp*

17

A - - - - - men A - men A - - - - - men. *p* *rit.* *ppp*

A - men A - men A - - - - - men. *p* *rit.* *ppp*

8 A - men A - men A - - - - - men. *p* *rit.* *ppp*

17 A - - - - - men A - - - - - men. *p* *rit.* *ppp*