

Barter

SATB choir a capella

Text by Sara Teasdale

Music by Alex Eddington (2019)

Duration: ca. 4:15

*Life has loveliness to sell,
All beautiful and splendid things,
Blue waves whitened on a cliff,
Soaring fire that sways and sings,
And children's faces looking up
Holding wonder like a cup.*

*Life has loveliness to sell,
Music like a curve of gold,
Scent of pine trees in the rain,
Eyes that love you, arms that hold,
And for your spirit's still delight,
Holy thoughts that star the night.*

*Spend all you have for loveliness,
Buy it and never count the cost;
For one white singing hour of peace
Count many a year of strife well lost,
And for a breath of ecstasy
Give all you have been, or could be.*

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Flowingly ♩ = 112

Solo or small group

p

Soprano

Life__ has__ love - li - ness__ Life__ has love - li -

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Piano
(for rehearsal only)

8

S.

-ness to sell,__ Life__ has__ love - li - ness,__ All beau - ti -

Pno.

17

S. -ful and splen - did things, _____ *pp*

A. _____ Life has _____ splen - did *pp*

T. _____ Life has _____ Life has _____ *pp*

B. _____ splen - did things, _____ *pp*

Pno.

25

Tutti Soprano
p

S. Blue waves whit - ened on a cliff, Soar - ing fire that

A. things, _____ Life has _____ splen - did things, _____

T. Life has _____ splen - did things, _____ Life _____

B. _____ splen - did things, _____ Life has _____

Pno.

32

S. sways and sings, And chil - dren's fa - ces look - ing up_____

A. _____ Life has _____ splen - did things,_____

T. has _____ Life has _____ Life has _____

B. splen - did things, _____ Life has _____ splen - did

Pno.

39

S. Hold - ing won - der like a cup. _____

A. Life has _____ *p* Hold - ing won - der _____ Hold - ing

T. _____ Life _____ *p*

B. things, _____ like a cup. _____ like a cup. _____

Pno.

47

p

S. _____ like a cup. _____ like a

A. _____ won - der _____ Hold - ing won - der _____ Hold - ing won - der

mp

T. _____ Life _____ has _____ love - li - ness _____ Life _____ has love - li - ness to sell, _____

B. _____ like a cup. _____ Life _____ has love - li - ness to sell, _____

Pno.

55

S. _____ cup. _____ like a cup. _____ like a cup. _____

A. _____ Hold - ing won - der _____ Hold - ing won - der _____ like a cup.

T. _____ Mu - sic like _____ a curve of gold, beau - ti - ful _____ and splen - did

B. _____ Mu - sic like _____ a curve of gold, beau - ti - ful _____ and splen - did

Pno.

accel. to.....Quicker, in one ♩ = 126

63 SYSTEM BREAK

div. C Major
mf Divisi

A. Mu - sic like a curve of gold, Scent of
Mu - sic curve of gold, Scent of pine trees

T. things,

B. things,

Pno.

71 SYSTEM BREAK

div.

A. 1 pine trees in the rain, arms that hold, All beau - ti - ful
2 in the rain, Eyes that love you, All beau - ti - ful

T. *p* Mu - sic Mu - sic Mu - sic

B. *p* Mu - sic Mu - sic Mu - sic

Pno.

79

S. *mp* *Divisi* that love you, Eyes arms

A. 1 *div.* splen - did things, *mp* that
2 splen - did things, that *mp*

Pno.

86

S. 1 *div.* spi - rit's
2 And for your spi - rit's

A. 1 *div.* hold, still de -
2 hold, still de - light,

T. 1 *Divisi* *mp* that hold,
2 that *mp* hold,

B. *mp* *div.* *Still* *isi* still
mp

Pno.

91 **FRAME BREAK**

S. 1 *div.* Ho - ly thoughts that star the night. *p*

S. 2 still de - light, Ho - ly thoughts that star the night. *p*

A. 1 *div.* - light, *Unis.* *p*

A. 2 *unis.* Ho - ly star the

T. *Unis.* *unis.*

B. 1 *div.* *Unis.* *unis.*

B. 2

Pno.

98 **Weightily** ♩ = 80

S. 1 *div.* for love - li -

S. 2 Spend all you have for love - li - *mf*

A. *mp* night. Spend all you have Spend all you have for love - li - *mf*

T. *mp* Spend all you have, Spend all you have, for love - li - ness, for love - li - *mf*

B. 1 *mp* *mp* *mf*

B. 2

Pno.

div. *f* *accel. to.....* *p*

105 **SYSTEM BREAK** *f* *p* **Unis.** unis.

S. 1
2
- ness, love - li - ness, love - li - - - ness, -
- ness, love - li - ness, love - li - - - ness, -

A.
- ness, love - - li-ness, love - - li-ness,

T.
- ness, love - li - ness, love - li - ness, Buy it and ne - ver

B.
for love - li - ness, love - li - ness, Buy it and ne - ver

Pno.

113 **SYSTEM BREAK** *p*

A.
love - li - ness, -

T.
count the cost; love - li - ness, -

B.
count the cost; of love - li - ness, - love - li -

Pno.

Flowingly ♩ = 112

119

mf FRAME BREAK

S. For one white sing - ing hour of peace, Count ma - ny a year_ of strife well

A. love - li - ness, love - li - ness,

T. love - li - ness, love - li - ness, love - li -

B. -ness, love - li - ness, love - li - ness,

Pno.

126

p

ritardando.....

S. lost, And for a breath of ec - sta - sy *p*

A. Give

T. -ness, And for a breath of ec - sta - sy

B. And for a breath of ec - sta - sy

Pno.

Tenderly ♩ = 90

pp

134

FRAME BREAK

S. love - li - ness

A. stagger breathe
all you have been, or could be.

T. love - li - ness

B. love - li - ness love -

Pno.

142

poco ritardando.....

S. love - li - ness love - li - ness

A.

T. love - li - ness love - li - ness

B. - li - ness love - li - ness love - li - ness

Pno.