

Here is the Little Door

Herbert Howells

Soprano
Alto
Tenor
Bass

Here is the lit - tle door, lift up the latch, oh lift! We

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need not wan - der more but en - ter with our gift; Our gift of

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fin - est gold. Gold that was ne - ver bought nor sold; Myrrh to be

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strewn a - bout His bed; In - cense in clouds a - bout His head;

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All for the Child that stirs not in His sleep, But ho - ly slum -

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- ber hold with ass and sheep. Bend low a - bout His bed;

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— for each He has a gift;— See how His eyes a - wake, — lift up your hands, O

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lift! For gold, He gives— a keen-edged sword (De - fend with it Thy

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lit - tle Lord!) For in - cense, smoke_ of bat - tle red_____ Myrrh for the

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hon - oured hap - py dead; Gifts for His child - ren, ter - ri - ble and sweet;

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Touched by such ti - - - ny hands and Oh such

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Touched by such hands and

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ti - - - ny feet.

ti - - - ny feet.

ti - - - ny feet.

Oh such feet.