

Softly and Tenderly

SATB

Words by **Will L. Thompson**Music by **Raymond Brown**
Arranged by **Tom Fettke**

Freely

mp

5

Expressively

mp

Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is

mp

Expressively ♩ = 88

12

call - ing, Call - ing for you and for

p

p

p

Detailed description: This is a musical score for SATB voices and piano. The piece is in 3/4 time and B-flat major. It begins with a piano introduction marked 'Freely' and 'mp'. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note pattern in the right hand and block chords in the left hand. At measure 5, the tempo is marked 'rit.'. The vocal entry begins at measure 9, marked 'Expressively' and 'mp'. The lyrics are: 'Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, Calling for you and for'. The piano accompaniment continues with the eighth-note pattern, and the vocal line has a melodic contour that rises and then falls. The score ends at measure 12 with a piano dynamic marking 'p'.

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15

me. See on the por - tals He's

19

wait - ing and watch - ing, Watch - ing for

22

cresc.
you and for me. Come
cresc.

25 *mf*

home, _____ come _____ home;

mf

28

You who are wear - y, come

31

home. _____ Ear - nest - ly,

34

ten - der-ly Je - sus is call - ing, Call - ing, "Oh,

dim.

dim.

dim.

p.

38

rit. *mp a tempo*

sin - ner, come home."

mp

rit. *mp a tempo*

p.

41

Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing,

p.

45

Plead - ing for you and for me?

48

Why should we lin - ger and

51

heed not His mer - cies, Mer - cies for