

For Kelly Dobbs Mickus

WOOD OF THE CRADLE

Words and Music by
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Gently ♩ = 95

legato throughout
mf

Verse 1
mf
Children or Solo

Wood of the cra - dle,

mp

wood of the cross, bear - ing a life-time of joy and of

The musical score is written for piano and voice. It begins with a tempo marking 'Gently ♩ = 95'. The key signature has two sharps (F# and C#), and the time signature is 3/4. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line and a more melodic treble line. Chords are indicated above the staff: D, Bm, G, ASUS4, A, D, Bm, G, ASUS4, A, D, G, ASUS4, A, F#m7, D, G. The vocal line enters at measure 6 with the lyrics 'Wood of the cra - dle,'. The score continues with 'wood of the cross, bear - ing a life-time of joy and of'.

*Instrumental parts for flute, oboe, and cello are available separately from the publisher, G-5923INST.
A guitar part (including vocal harmonies) is also available, G-5923G.*

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loss, who is your loved one? Who could he be,

A SUS4 A F#m7 A/B Bm G D

born in a man-ger to die on a tree?

G/B D/A CADD9 A SUS4 A

Refrain *All**

This, this is Je - sus the Lord, here in the

D + Cello F#m/C# G D/F# G

mf

bod - y and blood out-poured. Come, come,

D/F# E7 A SUS4 A D F#m/C#

* Children and assembly sing the melody on each refrain.

37

walk in his ways. Kneel at the man-ger and rise

G F# Bm G D/A CADD9

42

from the grave.

G D/F# Em D/A A

Verse 2

47 *S, A unis. mf*

Shep-herds lie sleep-ing, deep in their dreams; an - gels a -

B mf

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D D/C Bm D/A G A SUS4 A F#m7

-Cello, +Oboe *mp* +Flute