

AN ETERNAL NIGHT

for SATB Chorus and Piano Accompaniment

ALGERNON CHARLES SWINBURNE
"The Garden of Proserpine"

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Andante ♩ = 80

Piano

p *mf*

Ped. ad lib.

poco rit. *a tempo*

p

5

There go the loves that wi - ther, The old loves with wear - ier wings; And

8

There go the loves that wi - ther, The old loves with wear - ier wings; And

There go the loves that wi - ther, The old loves with wear - ier wings; And

There go the loves that wi - ther, The old loves with wear - ier wings; And

poco rit. *a tempo*

p

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10 *rubato* *mf*

all dead years draw thi - ther, And all dis-as - trous things; Dead dreams of

all dead years draw thi - ther, And all dis-as - trous things; Dead dreams of

8 all dead years draw thi - ther, And all dis-as - trous things; Dead dreams of

all dead years draw thi - ther, And all dis-as - trous things; Dead dreams of

rubato *mf*

15 *mp* *p* *mf*

days for - sa - ken, Blind buds that snows have sha - ken, Wild leaves that winds have ta - ken,

days for - sa - ken, Blind buds that snows have sha - ken, Wild leaves that winds have ta - ken,

8 days for - sa - ken, Blind buds that snows have sha - ken, Wild leaves that winds have ta - ken,

days for - sa - ken, Blind buds that snows have sha - ken, Wild leaves that winds have ta - ken,

mp *p* *mf*

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20

mp We are not

mp Red strays of ru - ined springs. *mp* We are not

mp We are not

mp We are not

p *mp*

25

rubato

sure of sor - row, And joy was ne - ver sure; To - day will die to - mor - row; Time

sure of sor-row, And joy was ne - ver sure; To - day will die to - mor - row; Time

sure of sor - row, And joy was ne - ver sure; To - day will die to - mor - row; Time

sure of sor-row, And joy was ne - ver sure; To - day will die to - mor - row; Time

rubato

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30

mf *mp* (=)

stoops to no man's lure; And love grown faint and fret - ful, With lips but

stoops to no man's lure; And love grown faint With

8 stoops to no man's lure; And love grown faint With

stoops to no man's lure; And love grown faint and fret - ful, With lips but (=)

mf *mp*

35

p *mf* *poco rit.*

half re - gret - ful Sighs, and with eyes for - get - ful Weeps that no loves en -

half re - gret - ful Sighs, and with eyes for - get - ful Weeps that no loves en -

8 half re - gret - ful Sighs, and with eyes for - get - ful Weeps that no loves en -

half re - gret - ful Sighs, and with eyes for - get - ful Weeps that no loves en -

p *mf* *poco rit.*

p *mf*

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a tempo

f dure. **p** From too much love of liv - ing, From hope and fear set

f dure. **p** From too much love of liv - ing, From hope and fear set

f dure.

f dure.

a tempo

f **p**

free,

free,

mp We thank with brief thanks - gi - ving What - ev - er gods may

mp We thank with brief thanks - gi - ving What - ev - er gods may

mp

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49 *mp*

That no life lives for e - ver; That e - ven the wear - iest ri - ver Winds

mp

That no life lives for e - ver; That e - ven the wear - iest ri - ver Winds

8 be That dead men rise up ne - ver;

be That dead men rise up ne - ver;

53 *f* *allargando* *ff* *a tempo*

some - where safe to sea. Then star nor

f *ff*

some - where safe to sea, to sea. Then star nor

f *ff*

8 some - where safe to sea, to sea. Then star nor

f *ff*

some - where safe to sea, to sea. Then star nor

allargando *a tempo* *f*

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sun shall wa - ken, nor a - ny change of light: Nor sound of

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Nor a - ny sound or sight: Nor sound or

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65

p

sight: Nor win - try leaves nor ver - nal, Nor

p

sight: Nor win - try leaves nor ver - nal, Nor

p

sight: "n"

p

sight: "n"

p

69

pp

days nor things di - ur - nal; On - ly the sleep e - ter - nal In an e -

pp

days nor things di - ur - nal; On - ly the sleep e - ter - nal In an e -

pp

pp

pp

pp

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mf *f*

ter - nal night. e - ter - nal night On -

mf *f*

ter - nal night. e - ter - nal night On -

mf *f*

e - ter - nal night On -

mf *f*

e - ter - nal night On -

mf *f*

On -

77

rit.

p

ly the sleep e - ter - nal in an e - ter - nal night.

p

ly the sleep e - ter - nal in an e - ter - nal night.

p

ly the sleep e - ter - nal in an e - ter - nal night.

p

ly the sleep e - ter - nal in an e - ter - nal night.

rit.

p

pp