

The Day of the Singing Birds

Soprano and Piano *

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Moderato, cantabile ♩ = 88

Piano

The musical score is written for Soprano and Piano. It begins with a tempo marking of 'Moderato, cantabile' and a metronome marking of ♩ = 88. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The piano part features a series of sixteenth-note patterns with dynamic markings of *mp*, *p*, *mp*, *p*, and *mp*. There are also triplet markings and a 'broaden' instruction. The vocal part begins at measure 7 with the instruction 'a tempo (but as if spoken)' and a dynamic marking of *p*. The lyrics are: 'Friend, life is not the wil-der-ness That we have made it seem. 'Tis not the bar-ren place of our des - pair. With - in us is a'. The piano accompaniment for the vocal part includes a sustained chord in the right hand and a simple bass line in the left hand.

4 *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *broaden* 6 6 *p* *mp* *p*

7 **a tempo** (*but as if spoken*) *p*

Friend, life is not the wil-der-ness That we have made it seem. 'Tis not the

a tempo

11 bar-ren place of our des - pair. With - in us is a

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