

Beyond the Veil

for

Two Violins and SATB Choir

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Timothy Thomas Fortune (1856–1928)

by

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Violin 1 *mp*

Violin 2 *mp*

Soprano *tutti: mp*

Alto *tutti: mp* A - - -

Tenor *tutti: mp*

Bass *tutti: mp*

V1

V2

S A - - - cross our our path a sun-beam a sun-beam

A cross our path a sun - beam gen - - - - - tly

T A - - - - -

B A - - - - -

7

V1

V2

S

A

T

B

gen - - - - - tly lies,

lies; a sun - - beam gen - tly lies, gen - tly

cross our path a sun - - beam gen - tly lies, gen - tly

A - - - cross our path

10

V1

V2

S

A

T

B

gen - - - - - tly

lies, *div.* *unis.*

lies, gen - - - - tly lies;

lies, gen - - - - - tly lies; *div.*

a sun - beam gen - - - - tly lies;

14

V1 *mp*

V2 *mp*

S *mp*

A

T

B

We know not

18

V1

V2

S

A

T

B

whence it came; we

We

21

V1

V2

S

A

T

B

think we know; But It fades,

know not whence it came; we think we know; come and go,

But, as we watch its glo - ries go, come and go, come and go,

(unis.) We know not whence it came;

24

V1

V2

S

A

T

B

It fades a - - - - - way!

we think we know, we think we know, It fades a - - -

It fades a - - - - - way!

we think we know; But It fades a -

Rit.

Tempo II: Più mosso ♩ = 66

27

V1

V2

S

A

T

B

way!

way!

mf

mf

mf

We seek to fol - - - low

We

We

We

30

V1

V2

S

A

T

B

it, with blin - king eyes, Bey-ond the Veil...

seek to fol - low it, of which we

seek to fol-low it, Bey - ond the

seek to fol-low it with blin-king eyes, Bey - ond the Veil...

Rit.

33

V1 *p*

V2 *p*

S

A

T

B

it is too slow

no-thing know! i - - ma - gi - - - na - tion is too slow

Veil... i - - - ma - gi - na - tion is slow

But e'en i - - ma-gi-na-tion is too slow is too slow

37 *a tempo*

V1 *mp*

V2 *mp*

S *mp*

A

T

B

To chase a sun - - - beam as it hea - - - ven - ward flies,

To chase a sun - - - beam hea - - - ven - ward flies,

To chase a sun - - - beam as it hea - - - ven - ward flies,

To chase a sun - - - beam as it hea - - - ven - ward flies,

41

V1

V2

S

A

T

B

flies, hea - - - ven - - - - - ward flies.

flies, hea - - - ven - - - - - ward flies. div.

flies, hea - - - ven - - - - - ward flies. div.

flies, hea - - - ven - - - - - ward flies.

pp

45

V1

V2

S

A

T

B

a tempo *Rit.* *tempo primo*

quasi-recit.

49

V1

V2

S

A

T

B

tutti: mp

But,

But, e - ven while

52

V1

V2

S

A

T

B

e - ven while

lin-ger-ing in the gloom, the gloom and shade,

lin - ger - ing in the gloom and shade,

(unis.)

and shade,

55

V1

V2

S

A

T

B

Strug - g'l - ing, Strug - - - -

Strug - g'l - ing, Stru - g'l - - - ing, Strug - g'l - - - ing,

Strug - g'l - ing, Stru - g'l - - - ing, Strug - g'l - - - ing,

(*unis.*) But, e - ven while lin - ger - ing in the

58

V1

V2

S

A

T

B

g'l - - - ing *div.* *unis.*

Strug - - - g'l - - - ing

Strug - - - - - g'l - - - ing *div.*

gloom, Strug - - - g'l - - - ing

mp

62

V1

V2

mp

S

mp

through sor - - row's

A

T

B

65

V1

V2

S

night in - to day, We

A

We

T

B

68

V1

V2

S

A

T

B

feel "tis bet-ter to have loved

feel "tis bet-ter to have loved, to have loved, to have

feel "tis bet-ter to have loved, to have loved, to have loved

(unis.) to have loved, to have

71

V1

V2

S

A

T

B

and lost...

loved and lost, and lost...

and lost...

loved, to have loved and lost, and lost...

Rit.

Meno mosso

75

V1

V2

S

A

T

B

Than ne - ver have, ne - ver have

Than ne - ver, Than ne - ver have

Than ne - - - ver have

Rit.

78

V1

V2

S

A

T

B

have loved" the cost.

loved" what - - - e - ver the cost.

loved" what e - ver the cost.

loved" what - - - e - ver the cost.

Violin Parts

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The musical score is written for two violins, Violin 1 (V1) and Violin 2 (V2). The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 3/4. The tempo is marked *Träumerisch* with a quarter note equal to 54 beats per minute. The dynamics are marked *mp* (mezzo-piano). The score is divided into four systems, each containing two staves (V1 and V2). Measure numbers 3, 7, 12, and 16 are indicated at the beginning of their respective systems. The music features a variety of rhythmic patterns, including eighth and sixteenth notes, and rests. The V1 part often plays a more active role with melodic lines, while the V2 part provides harmonic support with sustained notes and rhythmic accompaniment.

19

V1

V2

23

V1

V2

Rit.

28

V1

V2

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mf

32

V1

V2

Rit.

p

37

V1

V2

a tempo

2

39

V1 *mp*

V2 *mp*

43

V1 *a tempo* *Rit.*

V2 *quasi-recit.*

48

V1 *tempo primo*

V2

51

V1

V2

55

V1

V2

61

V1

V2

64

V1

V2

67

V1

V2

72

V1

V2

Rit.

Meno mosso

77

V1

V2

p

Rit.