

# Adoramus te Christe

*We praise thee, O Christ*

Antiphon – Good Friday

PAOLO AGOSTINI

(c.1583–1629)

ed. Judith Blezzard

[**Andante maestoso**  $\text{♩} = 56\text{--}64$ ]

The musical score consists of five staves. The top four staves are vocal parts: SOPRANO 1, SOPRANO 2, ALTO 1, and ALTO 2. The bottom staff is for the KEYBOARD (for rehearsal only). The vocal parts sing the antiphon "Adoramus te Christe". The keyboard part provides harmonic support. The tempo is marked as Andante maestoso with a quarter note equal to 56-64.

The score continues from measure 6. The vocal parts sing "ste, et be - ne - di - ci - mus ti - - - bi," followed by "ste, et be - ne - di - ci - mus ti - - - bi, et" and "Chri - - ste, et be - ne - di - ci - mus ti - - - bi, et." The keyboard part provides harmonic support. The vocal parts then sing "Chri - - ste, et" and end with "et". The keyboard part concludes with a final chord.

# Die Ehre Gottes aus der Natur

*Creation's praise to God*

Christian Fürchtegott Gellert  
(1715–91)

LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN  
(1770–1827)

ed. Judith Blezzard  
*sf* =

**Majestatisch und erhaben** [♩ = 48–54]

*With nobility and majesty*

\*[*ff*]

VOICES

Die Him - mel rüh - men des E - wi - gen  
The hea - veins tell of his pow - er and

KEYBOARD

Eh - re, ihr Schall pflanzt sei - nen Na - men fort, ihn rühmt der  
glo - ry, they praise their ev - er - last - ing Lord, the seas and

Erd - kreis, ihn prei - sen die Mee - re, ver - nimm, o Mensch, ihr  
moun - tains re - peat - ing their sto - ry, man - kind, re - ceive his

gött - lich Wort! Wer trägt der  
ho - ly word! With stars the

\* Vocal dynamics are editorial as none is given in the source.

# The Oxen

Thomas Hardy  
(1840–1928)

BENJAMIN BRITTEN  
(1913–76)

**SOPRANOS/ ALTOS**

**PIANO**

**Slowly moving ( $\text{♩} = c.60$ )**    **$p$  clearly**

Christ-mas Eve, \_\_\_\_\_ and twelve of the clock.  
always smooth

'Now they are all\_\_\_\_ on their knees,' An el - der said as we sat in a flock By the

em-bers in hearth-side ease.\_\_\_\_ We pic - tured

the meek mild crea - tures where They dwelt in their straw - y

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