

commissioned by her family to celebrate the life of Judith Wilson Kesler (1940–2009),
wife, mother, family member, and friend

For the Beauty of the Earth

for SATB voices and piano

Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1835-1917, alt.

Hal H. Hopson

With calm movement (♩ = 80)

Piano

mp

rit.

5 Soprano *a tempo* *unis. mp*

Alto

For the beau - ty of the earth, _____ for the

a tempo

9

beau - ty of the skies, _____

Tenor

Bass

mp unis.

for the

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love _____ which from our birth _____ o-ver and a -

15

rit. *div. a tempo* *mf*

Lord of all, to you we
Christ our God, to thee we

rit. *mf*

round us lies:

rit. *a tempo* *mf*

18

div. *rit.* *a tempo*

raise _____ this our joy - ful hymn _____ of praise.
raise _____ this our sac - ri - fice _____ of praise.

div. *a tempo*

rit. *a tempo*

61 Soprano *rit.* *a tempo* ***f***

For each per - fect gift of

Alto *rit.* *a tempo* ***f***

For each per - fect gift of

Tenor *rit.* *a tempo* ***f***

For each per - fect gift of

Bass *rit.* *a tempo* ***f***

For each

61 *cresc.* *rit.* *a tempo* ***f***

65

thine, _____ peace on earth and joy in heav'n; _____

thine, _____ peace on earth, peace on earth and joy in _____

thine, _____ peace on earth and joy in heav'n;

per - fect gift of thine, _____ peace on earth and joy in heav'n;

65

75 *div. a tempo* **f** *rit.*

all, to you we raise this our joy - ful hymn of
 God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of

a tempo **f** *rit.*

a tempo **f** *rit.*

78 *rall. al fine*

praise.
praise.

rall. al fine

dim. *rall. al fine*

81 **Adagio** *dim.* *rit.* **molto rall.** **pp**

this our joy - ful hymn of praise.
 this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

p *dim.* *rit.* **molto rall.** **pp**

Adagio *dim.* *rit.* **molto rall.** **pp** **ppp** *no break*