

Beatitudes

for SATB chorus
with organ (or piano)

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for S.A.T.B. chorus and organ (or piano)

Text adapted from
Matthew 5: 4-6, 8,11

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Andante (♩ = 96)

Organ

p

rit.

senza ped.

The organ part is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats. It begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic and a tempo of Andante (♩ = 96). The music is marked *senza ped.* (without pedal). The first system consists of two measures, followed by a measure with a *rit.* (ritardando) marking.

S.A.

p

Bless-ed are they that mourn, _____ bless-ed are they that mourn, * for

a tempo

The vocal line for Soprano and Alto (S.A.) begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic. The lyrics are "Bless-ed are they that mourn, _____ bless-ed are they that mourn, * for". The piano accompaniment is marked *a tempo*. The system includes a broken slur connecting the end of the first phrase to the start of the second.

S.A.

they _____ shall be _____ com-fort-ed. Bless - ed are they that mourn. _____

The vocal line for Soprano and Alto (S.A.) continues with the lyrics "they _____ shall be _____ com-fort-ed. Bless - ed are they that mourn. _____". The piano accompaniment continues with the same accompaniment as the previous system.

* Broken slurs connect notes that should have no breaks caused by (noticeable) breathing.



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11 *p*

T.B. Bless - ed are the meek, _____ bless - ed are the meek, _____ for

Ped.

15

T.B. they shall in-her - it the earth. _____ Bless - ed are the meek. _____

19 *mf*

S.A. Bless-ed are ye when men shall re-vile you and per-se-cute you _____ and

T.B. *mf*

mf

23

S.A. *unis. rit.*
say all man-ner of e - vil a-gainst you false-ly for my sake.—

T.B. *unis.*

rit.

27

S.A. *a tempo p*
Bless-ed are they that thirst,—— bless-ed are they that thirst,—— for

T.B. *p*

a tempo p

senza ped.

31

S.A. Sop: read as F#
Alto: read as E
they shall be filled with right-eous-ness. Bless-ed are they that thirst.——

T.B. Tenor: B, G#, A#
Bass: F#

35

S.A. Oo. bless - ed are the pure, for

T.B. Bless - ed are the pure, Oo. for

Ped.

39

S.A. they shall see God. Bless - ed, bless - ed,

T.B. they shall see God. Bless - ed, bless - ed,

molto rit. Slower

molto rit. Slower

43

S.A. bless - ed are the pure. unis. rit.

T.B. bless - ed are the pure. unis. rit.

rit.