

I Am a Child of This Planet

for Quinn Martin Kessler

Moderato (♩ = c. 116)

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Piano

Chords: F, AF7/E, Dm, F/C, B♭maj7, Gm7, C7, B♭/F, F

The first system of piano accompaniment consists of two staves. The right hand plays a melody of eighth and quarter notes, while the left hand provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving bass lines. The key signature has one flat (Bb) and the time signature is 4/4.

final refrain I am a child of this plan-et, I live as one with the life of this earth,
We are a gift of this plan-et, we live as one with the life of this earth,

The vocal line for the first system is written on a single staff. It begins with a rest for two measures, followed by the lyrics. The melody is simple and follows the natural inflection of the words.

Chords: F, C/E, Dm, Cm7, F7, B♭, F/A, G7

The second system of piano accompaniment continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The right hand melody and left hand accompaniment are consistent in style.

I am a son or a daugh-ter of E-den, I live as one with the
May we be true sons and daugh-ters of E-den, and live as one with the

The vocal line for the second system continues the lyrics. The melody remains simple and clear, with the piano accompaniment providing a steady accompaniment.

Chords: C7, F, A7/C#, Dm, F/C, B♭maj7

The third system of piano accompaniment concludes the piece. The right hand melody and left hand accompaniment end with a final chord and a sustained note in the bass.

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Leader:

One who gave me birth. Flow - ing air, breath with -
 One who gave us Liv - ing springs and the
 Plain and moun - tain in
 All that swims, all that
 May we trea - sure the

G m7 C7 B \flat /F F C/E D m7 C/E

All: Leader:

in and with - out: - - - - Ho - ly prec - ious gift of God! Qui - et
 riv - ers that flow: Rains a -
 glo - ry re - vealed: Fer - tile
 crawls, runs and flies: Ev - 'ry
 life of this home: as a prec - ious gift of God For our

C m7/F B \flat F/A G m7 G m7/F C/E C A7/C# D m7

All:

breeze and the wind's gust - y shout: Ho - ly prec - ious gift of God!
 bove and the wat - ers be - low:
 land, for - est, wet - land and field:
 crea - ture, a sa - cred sur - prise:
 chil - dren, and chil - dren to come: all a prec - ious gift of God

C/E C m7/F B \flat F/A G m7 F6 G/B B \flat /C C7