

Guard Him, Joseph

Solo w/opt. Flute

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♩ = 70

Flute:

mf *rit.* *tacet*

Voice: *mp*

rit.

a tempo

1. Guard Him, Jo - seph, as He slum - bers, there be - hind the sta - ble doors,

a tempo *mp*

10 12 *mf*

Let no er - rant sound dis - tress Him, Tread thou - soft - ly on the floor,



rit.

Lin - ger watch - ful round the__ man - ger, Hush thy__ voice and still the beasts,

mf *rit. ten.*

a tempo

For thou hast with - in thy keep - ing Christ, the in - fant Prince of

a tempo

Flute:

Peace.

mf *mp*

mp

2. Guard Him, Jo - seph, through the__ dark - ness, Watch - ing__ o'er Him till the dawn,

mp

30 32

Bid the shep - herds en - ter meek - ly; stand in won - der; gaze in awe.

34 36 *rit.*

Trim thy lamp and shield thy can - dle, See they burn all through the night,

rit. ten.

a tempo

38 40

For thou hast with - in thy keep - ing Christ, the ev - er - last - ing

a tempo

Flute:

mf

42 44

Light.

mf mp

46 *mf* 48

3. Guard Him, Jo - seph, from all dan - ger, Keep thy vi - gil

50 *mf* 52

nigh his bed, Let no harm nor grief be - fall Him, Stand thou in a

54 *mf* 56

fa - ther's stead, When his mo - ther's arms be wea - ry, Hold Him gen - tly

rit. *a tempo* 58 *a tempo* 60

rit. *a tempo*

as thine_ own, For thou hast with - in thy keep - ing God's own_ well - be -

rit. *ten.* *a tempo*

rit. 62 *mp* 64

rit. *a tempo mp*

lov - ed Son. God's own well - be - lov - ed Son.

rit. *a tempo mp*

rit. 66

rit.