

There is a voice

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Land of Rest
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The first system of musical notation consists of two staves, a treble clef on top and a bass clef on the bottom. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is written in the treble clef, starting with a quarter note G4, followed by a dotted quarter note A4, and then a series of eighth notes. The bass line consists of chords and single notes. A measure number '5' is placed above the fifth measure of the treble staff.

The second system of musical notation continues the piece. It features the same two-staff format. The melody in the treble clef continues with eighth and quarter notes. The bass line provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines. A measure number '10' is placed above the tenth measure of the treble staff.

The third system of musical notation concludes the piece. It maintains the two-staff format. The melody in the treble clef ends with a quarter note G4. The bass line ends with a final chord. A measure number '15' is placed above the fifteenth measure of the treble staff.

There is a voice of singing birds,
So merry and and so glad;
There is a voice of little streams,
That sounds both sweet and sad.
There is a loud and fearful voice,
O thunder in the sky;
There is a voice among the leaves,
Of breezes passing by.

There is a mother's voice of love,
To hush her little child;
There is a father's voice of praise,
So earnest and so mild.
We love to hear these voices speak,
We listen to their sound;
We should not like so well to have
A silence all around.

But there is yet another voice,
That speaks in gentle tone;
I think that we can hear it best
When we are quite alone.
It is a still, small holy voice,
The voice of God most high,
That whispers always in our heart
And says that He is by.

And even they whose ears are deaf
To ev'ry other sound,
When they have listened, in their hearts
The little voice have found.
And they have felt that God is good,
And thanked Him for His voice,
That taught them what was right and true,
And made their hearts rejoice.

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