

# The Birthday of My Life

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Music by  
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$\text{♩} = 76$

**A**

*mp*

Soprano  
My heart is like a sing - ing bird; —

Alto  
My heart is like a sing - ing bird; —

Tenor

Bass

$\text{♩} = 76$

**A**

*mp*

Piano

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S.  
— whose nest is in a wa-tered shoot. — My heart is like an ap - ple tree; —

A.  
— whose nest is in a wa-tered shoot. — My heart is like an ap - ple tree; —

T.

B.

*mf*

Pno.

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S. \_\_\_\_\_ whose boughs \_\_\_\_\_ are bent with thick set fruit. \_\_\_\_\_

A. \_\_\_\_\_ whose boughs \_\_\_\_\_ are bent with thick set fruit. \_\_\_\_\_

T. \_\_\_\_\_ *mf* Thick \_\_\_\_\_ set fruit. My

B. \_\_\_\_\_ *mf* Thick \_\_\_\_\_ set fruit. My

Pno.

17 **B**

S. \_\_\_\_\_ *f* Rain. \_\_\_\_\_ That pad - dles in a

A. \_\_\_\_\_ *f* Rain bow. \_\_\_\_\_ That pad - dles in a

T. \_\_\_\_\_ *f* heart is like a \_\_\_\_\_ *mf* rain - bow shell. Ah

B. \_\_\_\_\_ *f* heart is like a \_\_\_\_\_ *mf* rain - - bow shell. Ah

**B**

Pno. *f*

*Ped.* \_\_\_\_\_ *Ped.* \_\_\_\_\_ *Ped.* \_\_\_\_\_ *Ped.* \_\_\_\_\_

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S. *mf* hal - cyon sea. Heart. *ff* Be -

A. *mf* hal - cyon sea. Heart. *f* Than all these;

T. *f* My heart is glad - der than all these.

B. *f* My heart is glad - der than all these; than all these;

Pno. *Ped.*

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S. *mp* cause my love is come to me.

A. *ff* 'cause my; my love is come to me; to me. *mp*

T. *ff* My love; come to me; to me. To me...

B. *ff* My love; come to me. To me...

Pno. *ff* *Ped.*

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S.

A. *mp* Raise me a dais\_\_\_\_\_ of silk and down.

T. *mp* Raise me a dais;\_\_\_\_\_ silk, down.

B. *mp* \_\_\_\_\_ Of silk and down.

Pno. *mp* *p*

30 *mp* *mf* *mf* *mp* *mf*

S. And pur-ple dyes. Carve it in doves;\_\_\_\_\_ and po-me

A. *mf* Hang it with vair\_\_\_\_\_ and pur-ple dyes. Carve it in doves;\_\_\_\_\_ and po-me

T. *mf* Hang it with vair;\_\_\_\_\_ pur-ple dyes. Carve it in doves.

B. *mp* *mf* \_\_\_\_\_ And pur-ple dyes. Carve it in doves.

Pno. *mp* *mp*

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S. *f*  
 gra - nates. And pea - cocks with a hun - dred eyes. —

A. *f*  
 gra - nates. And pea - cocks with a hun - dred eyes. —

T. *f*  
 Po-me-gra - nates. Pea - cocks with a hun - dred eyes. —

B. *f*  
 Po-me-gra - nates. Pea - cocks with a hun - dred eyes. —

Pno. *f*

40 **D**

S. *f*  
 Sil; In leaves and sil - ver

A. *f*  
 Sil - ver; In leaves and sil - ver

T. *mf*  
 Work it in gold and sil - - ver grapes. Ah

B. *mf*  
 Work it in gold and sil - - ver grapes. Ah

Pno. **D**

Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped.

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S. *mf* *f*  
 fleurs - de - lys. Ah Is

A. *mf* *f*  
 fleurs - de - lys. Ah Is come, is

T. *f*  
 Be - cause the birth - day of my life.

B. *f*  
 Be - cause the birth - day of my life; is come.

Pno. *Red.*

46

S. *mp*  
 come; my love is come to me.

A. *mp*  
 come; my my love is come to me; to me.

T. *mp*  
 My love; come to me; to me. To me.

B. *mp*  
 My love; come to me. To me.

Pno. *Red.*

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S. *f* Is come; my love\_ is come to me;\_ to me. *mp*

A. *f* Is come; my\_ my love is come to me;\_ to me. *mp*

T. *mp* My love; come to me. To *f*

B. *mp* My love; come to me. To *f*

Pno. *mf*

53 **E**

S. *mf* Be - cause the birth-day of my life.

A. *mf* Be - cause the birth-day of my life.

T. *mp* me. *mf* Is come.\_

B. *mp* me. *mf* Is come.\_

Pno. *mp*

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rit.

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S. *mf* Is come.

A. *mf* Is come.

T. *mp* To

B. *mp* To

Pno. *rit.*

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S. *mp* To me.

A. *mp* To me.

T. *mp* me. To me.

B. *mp* me. To me.

Pno. *p*