

The original SATB version commissioned by the choir of Saint Paul's Church on Lake of the Isles (Minneapolis)
in thanksgiving for the faithfully completed tenures of Lay Clerks Mark D. Anderson (18 years) and Kim Sueoka (7 years)

To Know the Dark

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SSAA voices with soprano solo, a cappella

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Andante Rubato (♩ = c. 60)

hushed

solo *p*

To go To go in-to the dark To go in-to the dark with a light To

5 *ten.*

go in-to the dark with a light is to know the light. To know the dark, go dark, go— with-out

8 *mp* 3

sight, and find that the dark, too, blooms and sings and is tra-velled by

12 *p*

dark feet and dark wings.

S2 *p hushed*

To go To go in-to the dark To

A1 *p hushed*

To go To go in-to the dark To

A2 *p*

Mm To go To

S2 16

go in-to the dark with a light To go in-to the dark with a light is to

A1

go in-to the dark with a light To go in-to the dark with a light is to

A2

go To go is to

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S2 know the light. To know the dark, go dark, go with-out *ten.*

A1 know the light. To know the dark, go dark, go with-out *ten.*

A2 know the light. To know the dark, go dark, go with-out *ten.*

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S1 *mp* and find that the dark, too, blooms and sings, _____

S2 *mp* sight, and find that the dark, too, blooms and sings, _____

A1 *mp* sight, and find that the dark, too, blooms and sings, _____

A2 *mp* _____ and find that the dark, blooms and sings _____

23 **Tempo I°** *p* **Broader** (♩ = c. 52)

S1 _____ sings, _____ To know the dark, go dark,

S2 _____ and is tra-velled by dark feet and dark wings. _____ *mp*

A1 _____ sings, _____ To know the dark, go dark, _____

A2 _____ sings, _____ go dark, _____

26 *mp* *mf*

S1 and find that the dark, too, blooms and sings

S2 find that the dark, too, blooms and sings *mf*

A1 and find that the dark, too, blooms and sings *mf*

A2 blooms and sings, *mf rit. 3*

Largo (♩ = c. 52) *p*

28 *p*

S1 blooms and sings, blooms and sings, sings, sings.

S2 blooms and sings, blooms and sings, sings, sings.

A1 blooms and sings, blooms and sings, and sings, and sings.

A2 blooms and sings, blooms and sings, and sings, and sings.

