

To my wife, Chris, on the occasion of Elizabeth's First Communion

A GAELIC BLESSING

SATB Choir, Piano

Traditional Irish

Richard Siegel

p *sempre legato*

5 *Choir or Solo*
mp

May the road rise _____ to meet you, _____ may the

9

wind _____ be al-ways at your back. _____ May the

13

sun shine warm _____ up - on your face, and the

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17 rains fall soft up-on your fields. And un-

21 til we meet a - gain, and un-

25 til we meet a - gain; may the

29 Lord hold you in the palm of his

33

hand.

f *expressivo*

37

Choir *mf*

S.A. May the road rise to meet you, may the

T.B. *mf*

41

wind be al-ways at your back May the

45

sun shine warm up - on your face, and the

This system contains measures 45 through 48. It features a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment. The lyrics are "sun shine warm up - on your face, and the". The piano part consists of a steady eighth-note accompaniment in the left hand and chords in the right hand.

This system shows the piano accompaniment for measures 45 through 48. The left hand plays a consistent eighth-note pattern, while the right hand provides harmonic support with chords.

49

rains fall soft up - on your fields. And un -

dim.

This system contains measures 49 through 52. The lyrics are "rains fall soft up - on your fields. And un -". A dynamic marking of *dim.* (diminuendo) is present above the vocal line in measure 50. The piano accompaniment continues with the same rhythmic pattern.

This system shows the piano accompaniment for measures 49 through 52. The accompaniment remains consistent with the previous system, providing a steady accompaniment for the vocal line.

53

til we meet a - gain, and un -

This system contains measures 53 through 56. The lyrics are "til we meet a - gain, and un -". The piano accompaniment continues with the same rhythmic pattern.

This system shows the piano accompaniment for measures 53 through 56. The accompaniment remains consistent with the previous system, providing a steady accompaniment for the vocal line.

57

cresc.

f

til we meet a - gain; may the

cresc.

f

cresc.

f

61

dim.

rit.

Lord hold you in the palm of his

dim.

rit.

dim.

rit.

65

p

pp

allarg.

hand.

Oo,

oo,

oo.

p

pp

allarg.

gva

p

pp

allarg.

gva