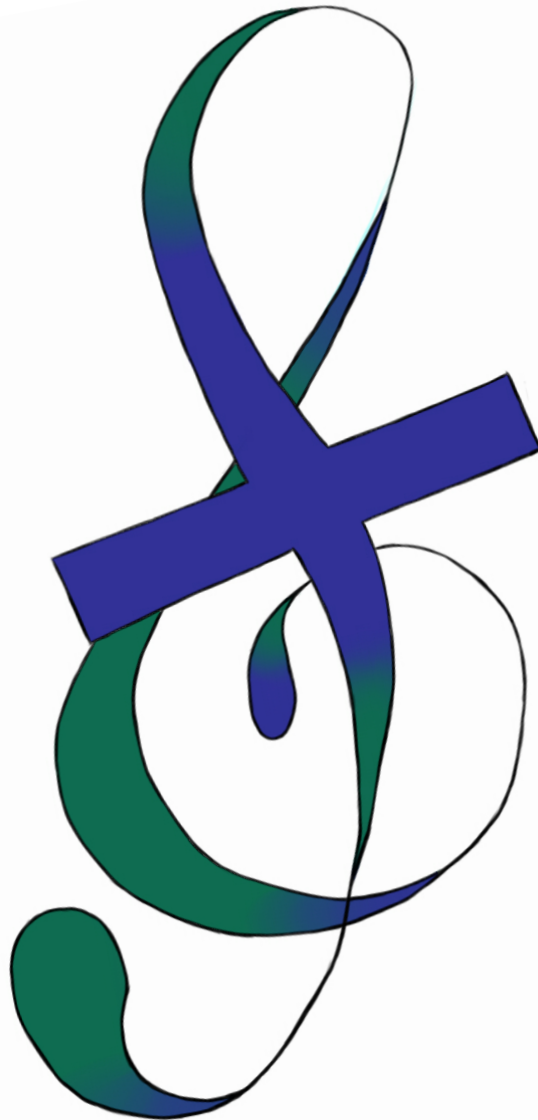


Lenten Lament
SATB Unaccompanied

Kierstin Bible



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John 1:10

He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him.

Mark 27:46

About three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eli, Eli,[a] lema sabachthani?" (which means "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?")

Luke 23:34

Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.

Notes:

This piece is meant to convey the anguish of sinners, as we realize that we did not recognize our Savior, while also conveying both the agony of His final moments and His overwhelming love, as He asks for us to be forgiven.

It begins with a simple thematic statement that is repeated contrapuntally throughout the piece: "The world did not know Him. We did not receive our own." It is important that we hear each entrance of this theme, and it is essential that the contrasting statements from the sopranos ("We did not know Him. We did not receive our own.") and the tenors ("My God, my God! Why have You forsaken me?") are not hidden in the texture.

At the *stretto* from mm. 43-48, the intensity must be very strong in each part, leading to the agonized "Forgive us Lord!" in each section. These words are repeated again at the agonized *fortissimo*, followed by a pause. They are repeated a final time at a *pianissimo*, conveying our deepest shame - and also conveying our amazement that He made this sacrifice for us.

In the final measures, we softly beg for forgiveness, as Christ asks His heavenly father to forgive us.

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SATB Acapella

John 1:10, Mark 27:46 & Luke 23:34

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Alto

$\text{♩} = 82$

mp

Narrator: "He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him."

The world did not know Him.

mp

(For rehearsal only)

A

We did not re - cieve our own.

mp

T

he world did not know Him. We did not re -

S

The world did not know Him. We did not re - cieve our own.

mp

A

The world did not

mf

T

our own. The

mp

B

The world did not know Him. We did not re - cieve our

13

20 *f* We did not know Him. We did not re - ceive our own. The *mf*

A know Him. *mf* The world did not know Him. We did not re - ceive our own.

T world did not know Him. We did not re - ceive our own. *mf*

B own. The world did not know Him. We did not re -

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27 S world did not know Him. We did not re - ceive our own. The world did not know Him.

A The world did not know Him. We did not re - ceive We did not know Him; *f*

T *f* (Anguished) My God, my God! My God, my God! Why have You for - sak - en me?

B ceive The world did not know Him. We did not re - ceive The

27

27

34 *f* (Anguished)

S We did not re - ceive our own. For-give us Lord! For-give us

A — did not re - ceive our own, our Lord! *mf* The world did not know Him.

T *mf* The world did not know Him. We did not re -

B world did not know Him. The world did not

34

41 *f*

S Lord! For - give us! For-give us! *f* The world did not know Him. We did not re - ceive

A We did not re - ceive our own. *f* The world did not know Him. We did not re - ceive our

T *ff* (Anguished) My God, my God! My God, my God! Why

B know Him. We did not re - ceive our own. *f* The world did not know Him. We did not re -

41

48

S our own. For-give us Lord! For-give us

A own. For-give us Lord! For-give us

T have You for - sak - en me?! My God, my God! My God, my

B ceive our For-give us Lord! For-give us

48

48

55

S Lord! For - give us Lord! For - give us, for - give us, for -

A Lord! For - give us Lord! For - give us, for - give us, for -

T God! My God, my God! My Fath - er for - give them, for - give them. They

B Lord! For - give us Lord! For - give us, for - give us, for -

55

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ff *rall.* *ff* *ff*

pp *rall.* *a tempo* *pp* *pp* *mf* *pp* *pp*

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62 *rit.*

S give. _____

A give. _____ *mp* For - give!

T know not what they do. _____

B give. _____ *mp* For - give!

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