

Softly, Holy Man-child Lie

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Music
REX LE LACHEUR

(M. M. ♩ = ca. 78)

Soprano

Soft - ly, ho - ly Man - child lie, In these arms that yearn for

Alto

Soft - ly, ho - ly Man - child lie, In arms that yearn

for
Practice
only

thee. And guard thy breathing, Hush thy cry and wait on

for thee. And hush thy cry and wait

thee so ten - der - ly: Soft - ly lie.

on thee so ten - der - ly: Soft - ly, Man - child, soft - ly lie.

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Solo *p* _____ breaks a - bove _____ thy dream-ing

Soprano *mf* Soft - ly sleep, for when the day breaks a - bove _____ thy dream-ing

Alto *p* _____ Mm _____ Mm _____

p

eyes

eyes Gen - tle sleep is torn a - way. And while each

mf Div: _____ Mm _____

rall.

With each dawn — a beau - ty dies.

rall.

dawn — brings fresh sur - prise, Mm —

rall.

Mm — Mm — Div:

rall.

Solo *p*

God's a - bove and moth - er's here.

Soprano *pp*

Mm — Mm —

Alto I *pp*

Soft - ly sleep my ba - by dear. Mm —

Alto II *pp*

Soft - ly sleep my ba - by dear. Mm —

pp