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Josh Bauder

From Heaven Above

SATB chorus & flute



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*From heaven above to earth I come
To bear good news to every home;
Glad tidings of great joy I bring,
Whereof I now will say and sing.*

*To you, this night, is born a Child
Of Mary, chosen Mother mild;
This little Child of lowly birth
Shall be the joy of all the earth.*

*Ah, dearest Jesus, Holy Child,
Make Thee a bed, soft, undefiled,
Within my heart, that it may be
A quiet chamber kept for Thee.*

Written by Martin Luther (1483-1546) and translated by Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), this carol begins with the angelic proclamation of Christ's birth, and it ends with a worshipful human response inviting Jesus to abide within the "quiet chamber" of the heart. This new setting alternates the original verses with an internalizing refrain of "Gloria, the Christ is born."



Josh Bauder (b. 1987) is a Minneapolis-based composer, arranger, typesetter, and educator. His choral music has been performed by church, university, and community choirs across the United States and abroad. He has composed two oratorios, *Abraham* (2014) and *Tyndale* (2017)—the latter serving as his PhD dissertation at the University of Minnesota. Winner of the 2010 Jerome Grant for New Music and the 2015 VocalEssence Carol Contest, Josh currently teaches music theory at the University of St. Thomas and the University of Northwestern – St. Paul. In his free time, Josh pursues interests in fiction, history, and architecture. He lives in St. Michael, Minnesota.

From Heaven Above To Earth I Come

Martin Luther, 1536

Josh Bauder

Trans. by Catherine Winkworth, 1866

Flute $\text{♩} = 72$
mf

Fl. **A**
mp

SA *mp* all women
From heav'n a-bove to earth I come To bear good news to ev - 'ry home;

Fl. *rit.*

SA *rit.*
Glad ti-dings of great joy I bring, Where - of I now will say and sing.

B *a tempo*

S *p*
12
Glo - - - ri - a, Glo - - - ri - a! The

A *p*
Glo - - - ri - a, Glo - - - ri - a,

T *p*
8
Glo - - - ri - a, Glo - - - ri - a,

B *p*
Glo - - - ri - a, Glo - - - ri - a,

16 *rit.*

S Christ is born! The Christ is born!

A Glo - - - - - ri - a, Glo - - - - - ri - a!

T Glo - - - - - ri - a, Glo - - - - - ri - a!

B Glo - - - - - ri - a, Glo - - - - - ri - a!

C *a tempo*

20 *mf*

Fl. *a tempo*

20 *mf all women*

SA To you, this night, is born a Child Of Ma-ry, cho - sen Mo - ther mild;

mf all men

TB

24 *rit.*

Fl. *rit.*

24 *mp*

SA This lit - tle Child of low - ly birth Shall be the joy of all the earth.

mp

TB

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E *a tempo*

Fl. *p*

S *a tempo p*
Glo - - - - ri - a, Glo - - - - ri - a! The Christ is

A *p*
Glo - - - - ri - a, Glo - - - - ri - a, Glo - - - -

T *p*
8
Glo - - - - ri - a, Glo - - - - ri - a, Glo - - - -

B *p*
Glo - - - - ri - a, Glo - - - - ri - a, Glo - - - -

F *a tempo*

Fl. *rit. mp*

S *rit. pp a tempo*
41
born! The Christ is born! Oo.

A *pp*
- ri - a, Glo - - - - ri - a! Oo.

T *pp*
8
- ri - a, Glo - - - - ri - a! Oo.

B *pp*
- ri - a, Glo - - - - ri - a! Oo.

46

Fl.

S

A

T

B

mp > *mp* >

mp > *mp* >

mp > *mp* >

mp > *mp* >

Oo. Oo. Oo. Oo.

52

Fl.

S

A

T

B

pp *pp* *pp* *pp*

p *mp* *p*

rit. *a tempo* rit. rit. rit.

Glo - - - ri - a! Oo.