

in honor of Larry King

O NIGHT THAT IS BRIGHTER THAN THE DAY

Asterius of Pontus (ca. 400)

David Hurd

(♩ = ca. 132)
(*Choir I) (Choir II)

mp

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

mp

O night that is bright-er than the day, O night more

daz-zling than the sun, O night more spar-king than the snow,

O night more bril-liant than our lamps! O night that is

cresc. *f* *p*

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*This piece may be sung antiphonally by two equal choirs, alternating phrases (separated by breath marks) and singing the final two phrases together.

15

(II) *dim.* *pp* (I)

sweet-er than par - a - dise, O night de - liv - ered from dark-ness, O

dim. *pp*

18

(II) *cresc.*

night — that dis - pels sleep, O night that makes us keep vig - il with the

cresc.

21

(I) *f* (II) *ff*

an - gels, O night ter - ri - ble for the de - mons, O night de - sired by

f *ff*

26

(I) *mf* (II) *ff*

all the year, O night that leads the brid - al church to her Spouse, O

mf *ff*

32

(I & II)

mp

night that is moth - er to those en - light - ened! O — night in which the

mp

36

dev - il, sleep - ing, was de - spoiled, O night — in which the

40

dim.

pp

Heir brings the co - heirs to their her - i - tage!

dim.

pp