

Dearest Children, God Is Near You

Duet (Regular)

Lyrics by Charles L. Walker
Music by John Menzies Macfarlane
Arranged by Craig Petrie

The musical score is written for a duet in 3/4 time with a tempo of 110. It features a piano accompaniment and a vocal line for Voice 1. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The score is divided into three systems. The first system (measures 1-8) shows the piano introduction. The second system (measures 9-15) contains the first vocal line: "Dear - est chil - dren, God is near you, Watch - ing o'er you day and". The third system (measures 16-22) contains the second vocal line: "night, And de - lights to own and bless you, If you strive to". The fourth system (measures 23-29) contains the final vocal line: "do what's right. He will bless you, He will bless you, If you". Dynamics include *mp* and *mf*. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and simple melodic lines in both hands.

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30 **Voice 1 solo**

put your trust in him. Dear - est chil - dren, ho - ly

37 **Voice 1:** Ooh **Voice 2:** And they

an - gels Watch your ac - tions night and day, And they

43

keep a faith - ful rec - ord Of the good and bad you

49 *mf* *mf*

say. Cher - ish vir - tue! Cher - ish vir - tue! God will

55

55 bless the pure in heart. *mp* Chil-dren,

55

rit.

61

a little slower God de - lights to teach you by his Ho - ly Spir - it's voice. Quick-ly heed its ho - ly

61 *mp*

61

66

prompt - ings. Day by day you'll then re - joi - ce. *f* Dear - est chil - dren

66 *f*

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71

God is near you, Watch - ing o'er you day and

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71

76
 night, *mf* And de - lights to own and bless you, If you

82
 strive to do what's right. He will bless you, He will

88
 bless you, *f a tempo* If you put your trust in him.

94
mp If you put your trust in him. *rit. p*