

# 5. Epilogue: The Fire Elms

For SATB Voices and Piano or Orchestra

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Music by Bruce Trinkley

**Andante grazioso**  $\text{♩} = 56$  *p sempre legato*

Sopranos and Altos

Piano

From the start of the stars when that first gar-bled night blazed

out in cosmic light all was fire, all was fire,

Tenors *mp sempre legato*

Basses *mp sempre legato*

and the flame passed a long to the fire blos-somed

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*cresc.* *f* *mp sempre legato*

12

*pp*

of our fair ris - en earth all a

*pp*

of our fair ris - en earth all a -

*mp*

birth \_\_\_\_\_ of our fair ris - en earth all a -

*mp*

birth \_\_\_\_\_ of our fair ris - en earth all a -

12

15

*mp*

fire. Now the light lay well hid with-in flow-er and

*mp*

fire. Now the light lay well hid in flow-er and

fire.

fire.

15

*p.* *p.* *p.* *p.* 57

19

beast, \_\_\_\_\_ the most vast \_\_\_\_\_ and the least each a fire, \_\_\_\_\_ each a  
*poco cresc.*

beast, \_\_\_\_\_ the most vast \_\_\_\_\_ and the least \_\_\_\_\_ each a fire, \_\_\_\_\_ each a  
*poco cresc.*

19

*poco marcato*

*cresc. poco a poco*

23

fire.

fire.

*mf cresc.* each a fire, \_\_\_\_\_ each a fire, \_\_\_\_\_ *Ev' - ry* or-di-nar - y tree bears a  
*mf cresc.* each a fire, \_\_\_\_\_ each a fire. *Ev' - ry* or-di-nar - y tree bears a

23

*f*

*mf*

27

*mp*

from the realm \_\_\_\_\_ of the stars. And our elms \_\_\_\_\_ are on

*mp*

from the realm \_\_\_\_\_ of the stars. And our elms \_\_\_\_\_ are on

*f*

mark from the realm of the stars.\_\_\_\_\_ of the stars.\_\_\_\_\_ And our elms \_\_\_\_\_ are on

*f*

mark from the realm of the stars.\_\_\_\_\_ of the stars.\_\_\_\_\_ And our elms \_\_\_\_\_ are on

27

*f sonore*

*poco accelerando*

*mp*

fire.\_\_\_\_\_ And our elms \_\_\_\_\_ are on fire.\_\_\_\_\_ And the

*mp*

fire.\_\_\_\_\_ And our elms \_\_\_\_\_ are on fire.\_\_\_\_\_ And the

*mp*

fire.\_\_\_\_\_ And our elms \_\_\_\_\_ are on fire.\_\_\_\_\_ And the

*mp*

fire.\_\_\_\_\_ And our elms \_\_\_\_\_ are on fire.\_\_\_\_\_ And the

*poco accelerando*

*rhapsodically*

*mp*

**Poco piu mosso**  $\text{d} = 58$

elm ga - bled mall where we walked in our youth\_\_\_\_\_ e - choed pas - sion\_ and

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**34**

cresc.

f

cresc.

f

cresc.

f

cresc.

f

**37**

truth,\_\_\_\_\_ all on fire,\_\_\_\_\_ all on fire. Though we *mf*

truth,\_\_\_\_\_ all on fire,\_\_\_\_\_ all on fire. Though we *unis. mf*

truth,\_\_\_\_\_ all on fire,\_\_\_\_\_ all on fire. Though we *unis. mf*

truth,\_\_\_\_\_ all on fire,\_\_\_\_\_ all on fire. Though we *unis. mf*

div.

div.

div.

unis.

unis.

mf

41

thought those dark trees wood-en-heart-ed and cold, We were brave, cle-ver and  
 thought those dark trees wood-en-heart-ed and cold, We were brave, cle-ver and  
 thought those dark trees wood-en-heart-ed and cold, We were brave, cle-ver and  
 thought dark trees cold, We were brave, cle-ver and

41

44

*mp darkly* **Tempo primo**

bold, and on fire. Half our life now well spent,  
 bold, and on fire. Half our life now well spent,  
 bold, and on fire. Half our life now well spent,  
 bold, and on fire. Half our life now well spent,

*poco marcato*

*poco rit.*

*mp*

48

cresc.

those grand trees span the mall, \_\_\_\_\_ we are stooped, they are tall, \_\_\_\_\_ and the  
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 spent, \_\_\_\_\_ those trees span the mall, we are stooped, they are tall, \_\_\_\_\_ and the

48

cresc.

fire, \_\_\_\_\_ and the fire \_\_\_\_\_ has passed on to the eyes of the  
 fire, \_\_\_\_\_ and the fire \_\_\_\_\_ has passed on to the eyes of the  
 fire, \_\_\_\_\_ and the fire \_\_\_\_\_ has passed on to the eyes of the  
 fire, \_\_\_\_\_ and the fire \_\_\_\_\_ has passed on to the eyes of the

52

f ff f

fire, \_\_\_\_\_ and the fire \_\_\_\_\_ has passed on to the eyes of the

52

f ff f

fire, \_\_\_\_\_ and the fire \_\_\_\_\_ has passed on to the eyes of the

55

youth-bloom-ing crowd walk-ing care - less\_\_ and proud and on unis. *mp*

*div.*

youth-bloom-ing crowd walk-ing care - less\_\_ and proud and on *mp*

youth-bloom-ing crowd walk-ing care - less\_\_ and proud and on *mp*

youth-bloom-ing crowd walk-ing care - less\_\_ and proud and on *mp*

*55*

*decresc. poco a poco* *mp*

*poco accelerando* *mf* intensely  
fire. For the *mf* intensely  
fire. For the *mf* intensely  
fire. For the *intensely* *mf* fire. For the

*cresc. poco a poco* *rhapsodically* *poco accelerando* *f* *mf*

**Poco più mosso**  $\text{♩} = 58$

sons of the daugh-ters of daugh-ters of our sons will dis - cov - er in their  
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**63**

**66**

*f* turns some pure fire, some pure fire, and will strike out as if all the  
*f* turns some pure fire, some pure fire, and will strike out as if all the  
*f* turns some pure fire, some pure fire, strike out  
*f* turns some pure fire, some pure fire, strike out

*div.* *div.* *unis. mf* *mf*

**66**

**70**  
 unis.      *mp*      cresc.  
 world wait-ed through all of time for\_\_ their new \_\_\_\_\_ ur-gent fire. \_\_\_\_\_  
  
 unis.      *mp*      cresc.  
 world wait-ed through all of time for\_\_ their new \_\_\_\_\_ ur-gent fire. \_\_\_\_\_  
  
 through all time for\_\_ their new \_\_\_\_\_ ur-gent fire. \_\_\_\_\_  
  
**70**  
*p*      cresc.  
 sub. *mp* cresc. poco a poco  
  
**74**  
*poco allarg.*  
 ur - gent fire. \_\_\_\_\_  
  
 ur - gent fire. \_\_\_\_\_  
  
 ur - gent fire. \_\_\_\_\_  
  
 ur - gent fire. \_\_\_\_\_  
  
**74**  
*poco allarg.*  
*f*      *subito pp*

**Espressivo**  $\text{d} = 66$

77

What if tree turn to dust, or the sea o - ver - whelm

What if tree turn to dust, or the sea o - ver - whelm

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77

for rehearsal only

**Con moto**  $\text{d} = 76$

83

dust - y plain, and each elm once a

mp cresc.

dust - y plain, and each elm once a unis.

mp cresc.

dust - y plain, and each elm once a

mp cresc.

- dust - y plain, and each elm once a

83

mp cresc.

88

fire, once a fire, should sink back  
dim.

88

**8:** **8:** **8:** **8:** **8:** **8:** **8:** **8:**

dim.

93

*mp* rit. e dim. — to the earth, should sink back to the earth?  
— to the earth, should sink back to the earth?  
— to the earth, should sink back to the earth?  
— to the earth, should sink back to the earth?

*mp* rit. e dim. — to the earth, should sink back to the earth?  
— to the earth, should sink back to the earth?  
— to the earth, should sink back to the earth?

*mp* rit. e dim. — to the earth, should sink back to the earth?

93

*mp* rit. e dim. — to the earth, should sink back to the earth? **p**

**Chorale**

mp

d = 66

99

Ev' - ry birth is as swift. Let us mer - it the gift:

Ev' - ry birth is as swift. Let us mer - it the gift:

Ev' - ry birth is as swift. Let us mer - it the gift:

Ev' - ry birth is as swift. Let us mer - it the gift:

99

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*con gran espressione*

104

ff

simplice

dim.

110

p , pp , ppp

Life, Love, Fire.

110

p , pp , ppp

Life, Love, Fire.

p , pp , ppp

Life, Love, Fire.

p , pp , ppp

Life, Love, Fire.