

# December 25: Kontakion Bulgarian Melody, Tone 3

after D. Bortniansky

S  
A

*mf*

To-day the Vir - gin giv-eth birth, the Vir - gin giv - eth birth

T  
B

*mf*

Detailed description: This system contains the first two staves of the musical score. The Soprano and Alto parts are written on a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The Tenor and Bass parts are written on a single staff with a bass clef and the same key signature. The music begins with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic. The lyrics are: "To-day the Vir - gin giv-eth birth, the Vir - gin giv - eth birth".

*p* *mf*

to the Tran - scen-dent, Tran - scen-dent One. And the earth,

*p* *mf*

Detailed description: This system contains the second two staves of the musical score. The Soprano and Alto parts continue with a piano (*p*) dynamic, followed by mezzo-forte (*mf*). The Tenor and Bass parts also continue with piano (*p*) and mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamics. The lyrics are: "to the Tran - scen-dent, Tran - scen-dent One. And the earth,".

and the earth of - fer-eth a cave to the Un - ap-proach-a-ble,

Detailed description: This system contains the third two staves of the musical score. The Soprano and Alto parts continue with the same melodic line. The Tenor and Bass parts continue with the same accompaniment. The lyrics are: "and the earth of - fer-eth a cave to the Un - ap-proach-a-ble,".

*p* *mf*

Un - ap - proach-a - ble One. An - - - gels, an - gels, with

*p* *mf*

Detailed description: This system contains the final two staves of the musical score. The Soprano and Alto parts conclude with a piano (*p*) dynamic, followed by mezzo-forte (*mf*). The Tenor and Bass parts also conclude with piano (*p*) and mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamics. The lyrics are: "Un - ap - proach-a - ble One. An - - - gels, an - gels, with".

shep - herds give glo - ry, give glo - ry, glo - - - ry;

Ma - - - gi, Ma - gi jour - ney with a star,

jour - ney with a star. For our sake,

for our sake a young child is born, Who is pre - e - ter - nal God,

pre - e - ter - nal God, pre - e - ter - nal God.