

There Will Come Soft Rains

Mixed Chorus SATB *a cappella*

There will come soft rains and the smell of the ground,
And swallows circling with their shimmering sound;
And frogs in the pool singing at night,
And wild plum trees in tremulous white;
Robins will wear their feathery fire,
Whistling their whims on a low fence-wire;
And not one will know of the war, not one
Will care at last when it is done.
Not one would mind, neither bird nor tree,
If mankind perished utterly;
And spring herself when she woke at dawn
Would scarcely know that we were gone.

Sara Teasdale 1884 - 1933

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$\text{♩} = 55-60$

p

Soprano
There will come soft rains. There will come soft rains, there will come

Soprano
p
There will come soft

Alto
p
There will come soft rains, —

Alto
p
There will

Tenor

Bass

Piano
For rehearsal only

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S soft rains, — there will come soft rains, there will come soft rains —

S rains, there will come soft rains, —

A — there will come soft rains, there will come soft rains, —

A come soft rains, there will come soft rains, —

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S *mp* — and the smell of the ground, — *mf* And swal-lows circ - ling with their

A *mp* and the smell of the ground, — *mf* And swal-lows circ - ling with their

T *mp* And the smell of the ground, —

B *mp* And the smell of the ground, —

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S shim - mer - ing sound; *mf* And

A shim - mer - ing sound; *sempre p* And frogs And frogs

T *p* Sound; *sempre p* And

B *p* Sound;

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S frogs in the pool sing - ing at night,

A And frogs And frogs And frogs And frogs

T frogs And frogs And frogs

B

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S *p* wild plum trees _____ (*mm*)_

A And frogs And frogs *p* wild plum trees _____ (*mm*)_

T And frogs *p* wild plum trees _____ (*mm*)_

B *mf* And wild plum trees _____ in trem - u - lous white; _____

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S *mf* Rob - ins will wear _____ their feath - er - y fire, _____

A *mf* Rob - ins will wear their feath - er - y fire, _____

T _____

B _____

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S on a low fence wire;

A on a low fence wire; *p* And

T *mf* Whis - tling their whims on a low fence wire;

B *mf* Whis - tling their whims on a low fence wire;

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S *mp* And not one will know of the war, not one

A not one Not one Not one Not one Not one Not one

T *p* Not one Not one Not one

B

34 *mp* 3

S — Not one will care at last when it is done. —

A Not one Not one Not one Not one Not one Not one

T Not one Not one Not one Not one

B *mp* 3

— Not one will care at last when it is done. —

37 *mf* 3

S — Not one would mind, nei - ther bird nor tree, —

A Not one Not one Not one Not one Not one Not one

T Not one Not one Not one Not one

B *mf* 3

— Not one would mind, nei - ther bird nor tree, —

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mf *f* *mp*

S — if man - kind per - ished ut - ter - ly; And —

A Not one if man - kind per - ished ut - ter - ly.

T if man - kind per - ished ut - ter - ly;

B — if man - kind per - ished ut - ter - ly;

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p *ritard*

S spring her - self when she woke at dawn Would scarce-ly know that we were gone.

A Would scarce-ly know that we were gone.

T *mp* *p* When she woke at dawn Would scarce-ly know that we were gone.

B *p* Would scarce-ly know that we were gone.

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