

In celebration of the life and ministry of Dr. Paul D. Bowles (1942-2006)
by the Music Ministries of the First United Methodist Church of Bartlesville, Oklahoma

The Time for Praying

For SATB Choir and Piano 4-hands

Traditional Spiritual

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Arranged by HOWARD HELVEY
(ASCAP)

Andante, plaintively ♩ = 84

The musical score is written for SATB choir and piano 4-hands. It begins with a tempo and mood instruction: "Andante, plaintively ♩ = 84". The piano introduction consists of two systems. The first system, labeled "I", features the right hand (RH) and left hand (LH) of the piano. The RH part is marked "legato mp" and contains a melodic line with a long slur. The LH part also has a melodic line with a long slur. The second system, labeled "II", continues the piano introduction with similar melodic lines in both hands, also marked "legato mp". The piano introduction concludes with a measure containing a first ending bracket labeled "1" and a second ending bracket labeled "2".

The vocal entry begins in the third system. The Soprano (S.), Alto (A.), Tenor (T.), and Bass (B.) parts enter with the lyrics "The time for". The vocal parts are marked "mp legato". The piano accompaniment continues in the right hand with a melodic line and in the left hand with a bass line. The piano introduction concludes with a measure containing a first ending bracket labeled "1" and a second ending bracket labeled "2".

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praying won't be long, the

Measures 8, 9, and 10 of a musical score. The vocal line (treble and bass staves) features a melody with triplets and a long note in measure 9. The piano accompaniment (grand staff) includes a bass line with eighth notes and a treble line with chords. Measure numbers 8, 9, and 10 are indicated at the bottom.

time for praying won't be long,

Measures 11, 12, and 13 of a musical score. The vocal line continues the melody with a long note in measure 11. The piano accompaniment features a bass line with eighth notes and a treble line with chords. Measure numbers 11, 12, and 13 are indicated at the bottom.

mf the time for pray - ing won't be

mf

14 15 16

long, Go, shep -

mp

mp

mp

17 18 19

herd,
poco rit. *a tempo*

shep - herd, feed My sheep.
poco rit. *a tempo*

poco rit. *a tempo*

poco rit. *a tempo*

20 21 22

mf

mf

23 24 25