

*For the the choir of Wells Cathedral and Jeremy Cole
Commissioned by Cathedral Commissions of Wells Cathedral*

A TENDER SHOOT

Versified by
OTTO GOLDSCHMIDT
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Music by
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(b 1991)

Andante con rubato ♩ = 96

SOPRANO
p
A ten - der shoot hath start - ed Up from a root of

ALTO
p
A ten - der shoot hath start - ed Up from a root of

TENOR
p
A ten - der shoot hath start - ed Up from a root of

BASS

PIANO
(for rehearsal only)

Andante con rubato ♩ = 96

4 *mp* grace, As an - cient seers im - par - ted, From *mp* *mf*

mp grace, As an - cient seers im - par - ted, From *mp* *mf*

mp grace, As an - cient seers im - par - ted, From *mp* *mf*

mp As an - - - cient seers im - part - ted, From *mf*

p Jes - se's ho - ly race, It blooms with-out a blight, *mf* it

p Jes - se's ho - ly race, It blooms with-out a blight, *mf* it

p Jes - se's ho - ly race, It blooms with-out a blight, *mf* it

p Jes - se's ho - ly race, It blooms with-out a blight, *mf* it

p blooms with-out a blight, Blooms in the cold bleak

p blooms with-out a blight, Blooms in the cold bleak

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rit

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win - ter, Turn - ing our dark - ness in - to
 win - ter, Turn - ing our dark - ness in - to
 win - ter, Turn - ing our dark - ness in - to
 win - ter, Turn - ing our dark - ness in - to

mp

rit

a tempo

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light. This shoot I - sai - ah taught us From Jes - se's root should
 light. This shoot I - sai - ah taught us From Jes - se's root should
 light. This shoot I - sai - ah taught us From Jes - se's root should
 light.

p

a tempo