

For the family and friends of Amy Ratnett

O Love

that wilt not let me go

for mezzo-soprano and chamber orchestra

George Matheson

Stuart Brown

Mezzo-soprano

With infinite tenderness (♩ = 50)

delicately, smoothly and sustained throughout

Piano

mp

4

p

O

mp *p*

7

Love, that wilt not let me go, I rest my weary soul in

p *mp* *p* *mp* *p*

And. *And.*

2
10

Thee; I give Thee back the life I owe, That

13

in Thine o - cean depths its flow May rich - er, ful - ler

16

be. O Light, that followest all my

19

way, I yield my flicker-ing torch to

21

Thee; My heart restores its borrowed ray, That

24

in Thy sun - shine's blaze its day May brighter, fair - er

27

mf *appassionato*

be. O Joy, that seekest me through

Red.

30

mp

pain, I can - not close my heart to Thee; I

Red.

Red.

33

espressivo

mf

trace the rainbow through the rain, And feel the pro - mise

Red.

Red.

36 *mf p*

is not vain, That morn shall tear - less be.

mf p

39 *mp*

O Cross, that liftest up my head, I

with gentle grace

mp

Red.

42

dare not ask to fly from Thee; I lay in dust life's glo-ry

Red.

45

dead, And from the ground there blos - soms red Life

mf mp

mf mp

Red.

48

that shall end - less be.

p

tranquill

p

51

p

rit.

pp