

Four Blake Songs

3. LAUGHING SONG

Mixed choir

Text: William Blake (1757-1827)

Huub de Lange (*1955)

S

A *mf*
When the green woods laugh with the voice of joy, And the

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B

S

A *mf*
When the air does laugh with our

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dim - pling stream runs laugh-ing by;

B

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mer-ry wit, And the green hill laughs with the noise of it;

mf
When the
mf
When the

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mea - dows laugh with live - ly green, And the grass - hop - per laughs in the

mea - dows laugh with live - ly green, And the grass - hop - per laughs in the

12

When Ma - ry and Su - san and E - mi - ly With their

mer - ry scene;

mer - ry scene;

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sweet round mouths sing 'Ha ha he!' When the pain-ted birds___ laugh in the

When the pain-ted birds___ laugh in the

When the pain-ted birds___ laugh in the

When the pain-ted birds___ laugh in the

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shade, Where our ta - ble with cher - ries and nuts is spread; Come *f*

shade, Where our ta - ble with cher - ries and nuts is spread:

shade, Where our ta - ble with cher - ries and nuts is spread: Come *f*

shade, Where our ta - ble with cher - ries and nuts is spread;

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live, and be mer - ry, and join with me, To sing the sweet cho - rus of

(ah...)

live, and be mer - ry, and join with me, To sing the sweet cho - rus of *f*

(ah...)

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'Ha ha he!' — Come live, and be mer - ry, and join with me, — To

— Come live, and be mer - ry, and join with me, — To

'Ha ha he!' — Come live, and be mer - ry, and join with me, — To

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sing the sweet cho - rus of 'Ha ha he!' To sing the sweet cho - rus of

sing the sweet cho - rus of 'Ha ha he!' To sing the sweet cho - rus of

sing the sweet cho - rus of 'Ha ha he!' (ah...)

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'Ha ha he!' Come live, and be mer - ry, and join with me, — To

'Ha ha he!' (ah...)

— Come live, and be mer - ry, and join with me, — To

33

sing the sweet cho - rus of 'Ha ha he!' — Come live, and be mer - ry, and

8 sing the sweet cho - rus of 'Ha ha he!' — Come live, and be mer - ry, and

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join with me, — To sing the sweet cho - rus of 'Ha ha he!' To

8 join with me, — To sing the sweet cho - rus of 'Ha ha he!' To

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sing the sweet cho - rus of 'Ha ha he!' To sing the sweet cho - rus of

8 (ah... To sing the sweet cho - rus of

To sing the sweet cho - rus of

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The musical score consists of four staves, each with a vocal line and lyrics. The lyrics are: 'Ha ha he!' followed by a two-measure rest, and then 'Ha ha he!'.

Ha ha he!' 'Ha ha he!'

'Ha ha he!' 'Ha ha he!'

'Ha ha he!' 'Ha ha he!'

'Ha ha he!' 'Ha ha he!'