



Piano

Prayer for a New Mother

*for soprano, violin, and piano
(also available for violin and piano)*

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*In loving memory of John R. "Jack" Larson
Commissioned for the Choir of Trinity-by-the-Cove Episcopal Church, Naples, Florida*

Stephen L. Furches, Organist-Choirmaster Advent 1997

Originally written for SATB Choir, unaccompanied

Adapted for solo soprano, solo violin, strings, and harp

Also adapted for Soprano, violin, and Piano

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Score

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Text: Dorothy Parker

Tranquillo ♩ = 60

p

The musical score is written for Soprano, Solo Violin, Piano, and other instruments. It is in the key of B-flat major and common time (C). The tempo is marked 'Tranquillo' with a quarter note equal to 60 beats per minute. The dynamics range from mezzo-piano (*mp*) to piano (*p*). The lyrics are: 'The things she knew, let her forget again: The voices in the sky, the fear, the'.

Soprano: The things she

Solo Violin: *mp* *mp* *p* *p*

Piano: *mp* *mp* *p*

S: 5
knew, let her forget again: The voices in the sky, the fear, the

Vln.

Pno.

8

S cold, The gap-ing shep-herds, and the strange old men pil-ing their

Vln.

Pno.

11 *rall.* *a tempo*

S gifts of for-eign gold. Let her have laugh-ter with her lit-tle

Vln.

Pno.

14 *mf*

S one. Teach her the end-less tune-less songs to sing. Grant her the

Vln. *p* *mf* *p*

Pno. *mf* *p*