

# Wise Mother

Score

Words and music by Nell Clowder

Freely, at speech tempo, like Gregorian chant

**Sop 1**  
*p*  
Wise Mo-ther whose love sur - rounds me all you make is sa - cred. This world is you,

**Sop 2**  
*p*  
Wise Mo-ther whose love sur - rounds me all you make is sa - cred. This world is you,

**Alto**  
*p*  
all you make is sa - cred.

**Piano**  
*pp*  
all sa - cred  
Ped. Ped. Ped.

**S1**  
*cresc.* *mp* *mf*  
your voice speaks through it to those who choose to lis-ten. This day is a gift grow. Be

**S2**  
*cresc.* *mp* *mf*  
your voice speaks through it to those who choose to lis-ten. This day is a gift in which to grow. Be

**Alto**  
*cresc.* *mp* *mf*  
to those who choose to lis-ten. This day is a gift in which to grow. Be

**Pno.**  
*those lis - ten grow*  
Ped. Ped.

Wise Mother 2

14

S1 *mp*  
pa-tient with me, for I have been known to for-get that. to make me strong and

S2 *mp*  
pa-tient with me, for I have been known to for-get that. to make me strong and

Alto *mp*  
pa-tient with me, for I have been known to for-get that. And send me those les-sons to make me strong and

Pno. *mp*  
get that les-sons

Ped. Ped.

19

S1 *p* *mf*  
hon-est in lov-ing, so that my in-ner light re-flects your spir-it on all a-

S2 *mp* *mf*  
hon-est in lov-ing, in-ner light re-flects your spir-it on all a-

Alto *mp* *mf*  
hon-est in lov-ing, in-ner light re-flects your spir-it on all

Pno. *p* *mf*  
honest inner inner inner light

Ped. \*

# Wise Mother 3

24 *andante* ♩ = 104

S1  
round me. Wise Mo - ther *p*

S2  
round me. Wise Mo - ther *p*

Alto  
round me. Wise Mo - ther *p*

Pno.  
round me. *andante* ♩ = 104

Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped. simile

30

S1  
whose love sur - rounds me all you make is

S2  
whose love sur - rounds me all you make is

Alto  
whose love sur - rounds me all you make is

Pno.

Wise Mother 4

35

S1 sa - cred. This world,

S2 sa - cred. This world,

Alto sa - cred. This world,

Pno.

41

S1 *mp* this world is you, *mf* your voice speaks through it to those who

S2 *mp* this world is you, *mf* your voice speaks through it to those who

Alto *mp* this world is you, *mf* your voice speaks through it to those who

Pno.

Ped. Ped.

Wise Mother 5

46 *mp* those who lis - - - ten. *mf* This day is a gift

46 *mp* those who lis - - - ten. *mf* This day is a gift

Alto *mp* those who lis - - - ten. *mf* This day's a

Pno. *mf*

Ped. Ped. Ped. \* Ped. Ped. Ped.

52 in which to grow. Be pa tient with me, for *mp*

52 in which to grow. Please be pa tient with me, for *mp*

Alto gift in which to grow. Be pa tient with me,

Pno. *mp*

Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped. \* Ped. Ped. Ped. \*

Wise Mother 6

57 *slower, rubato* *a tempo*

S1 I have been known to for - get that.

S2 I have been known to for - get that.

Alto *mp* *a tempo*  
I have been known to for - get that.

Pno. *slower, rubato* *a tempo*  
*p*

*Ped. Ped. Ped.*

63

S1

S2

Alto

Pno. *cresc.* *mf*

Wise Mother 7

69 *mp*  
S1 And send me those les - sons  
S2 And send me those les - sons  
Alto And send me those les - sons  
Pno. *p*

75 *rit.* *a tempo* *p*  
S1 to make me strong and hon - - - est in lov - ing,  
S2 to make me strong and hon - - - est in lov - ing,  
Alto to make me strong and hon - - - est in lov - ing, so that my  
Pno. *rit.* *a tempo* *p*  
*Ped. Ped. Ped. \* Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped.*

Wise Mother 8

81 *cresc.* *f* *p*

S1 in - ner light re - flects your spir-it on all a - round me like a

S2 my in - ner light re - flects your spir-it on all a - round me like a

Alto in - - ner light re - flects your spir-it on all a - round me like a

Pno. *cresc.* *f* *p*

Ped. \*

87 *mp* *like bells tolling*

S1 bles sing like a bles - sing like a bles - - - - sing.

S2 bles sing like a bles - sing like a bles - - - - sing.

Alto bles sing like a bles - sing like a bles - - - - sing.

Pno. *mp* *like bells tolling*

Ped. \* Ped.