

# We Wear the Mask

*a piacere*  
♩. = 66  
*f* *mp* *p*  
We wear the

6 *a piacere*  
mask that\_ grins and lies,\_\_\_\_\_ it hides our cheeks and shades our\_ eyes,--

11  
\_\_\_\_\_ this debt we pay to hu - man guile;

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\_\_\_\_\_ with torn and bleed-ing hearts we smile,\_\_\_ and

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mouth with my - riad\_ sub - tle - ties. We wear the

This system contains measures 21 through 25. The vocal line begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. A slur covers the next four notes: D5, E5, F5, and G5. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line in the left hand and chords in the right hand, with a key signature of one flat.

26

mask.

This system contains measures 26 through 31. The vocal line has a half note G4, followed by a quarter rest, and then four measures of whole rests. The piano accompaniment continues with a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes in the left hand and chords in the right hand.

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Why should the world be o - ver - wise, in count - ing

This system contains measures 32 through 37. The vocal line starts with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. A slur covers the next four notes: D5, E5, F5, and G5. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line in the left hand and chords in the right hand.

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all our tears and sighs? Nay, let them see us, while we wear the

This system contains measures 38 through 42. The vocal line begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. A slur covers the next four notes: D5, E5, F5, and G5. The piano accompaniment continues with a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes in the left hand and chords in the right hand.

43

mask.

*f* *mp* *p*

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*a piacere* *a piacere*

We smile, but, O great\_ Christ, our cries to thee from tor - tured

*mf*

53

souls a - rise. We sing to

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thee, but oh the clay is vile be-neath our feet, and long is the mile;

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62

— O Christ, — but let the world dream o - ther - wise,

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we wear the mask! We wear the

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mask! we wear the mask!

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...the mask!

circa 2' 20"