

Now is the Cool of the Day

For Four-Part Chorus of Mixed Voices
with Mezzo-Soprano or Baritone Solo
a cappella

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$\text{♩} = c.66-70$

Solo



1. My Lord, He said un - to me: Do you like my



gar - den so fair? You may live in this gar - den if you



keep the gras - ses green, And I'll re - turn in the cool of the day.

Quietly

Soprano
Alto



Now is the cool of the day, Now is the

Tenor



Now is the cool of the day, Now is the

Bass



Now is the cool of the day, Now is the

Piano
(for
rehearsal
only)



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cool of the day; O this earth is a gar - den, the

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The musical score for measures 20-24 features three vocal staves (Soprano, Alto, and Bass) and a piano accompaniment. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The lyrics are: "cool of the day; O this earth is a gar - den, the". The piano accompaniment consists of chords and moving lines in both hands.

25

gar - den of my Lord; And He walks in His

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The musical score for measures 25-29 continues with the same three vocal staves and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "gar - den of my Lord; And He walks in His". The piano accompaniment continues with chords and moving lines. A second measure number "25" is placed above the piano staff at the beginning of the final measure.

30 *Fin.*

gar - den In the cool of the day.

gar - den In the cool of the day.

gar - den In the cool of the day.

30 *Fine*

Solo

2. Then my Lord, He said un - to me: Do you

5 like my gar - den so pure? You may live in this gar - den if you

10 (To refrain)

keep the wa - ters clean, And I'll re - turn in the cool of the day.

Solo

3. Then my Lord, He said un - to me: Do you

5 like my pas - tures of green? You may live in this gar - den if

10 (To refrain)

you will feed my lambs; And I'll re - turn in the cool of the day.