

Commissioned by the Peterborough Singers for James Birrell,
"a boy who showed us we could sing when we thought we could only cry."
February 24, 2001

A House In Heaven

for SATB choir, children's choir, flute, piano and organ

Psalm 8: 1&2, Maltbie D. Babcock,
Henry Charles Beeching, Bliss Carman
& James Birrell

Paul Halley
& the traditional English Melody
Terra Beata

Largamente ♩ = c. 72

Soprano
O Lord our Gov - er - nor, how ex - alt - ed is your name in

Alto
O Lord, _____ how ex - alt - ed is your name in

Tenor
O Lord our Gov - er - nor, how ex - alt - ed is your name in

Bass
O Lord, _____ how ex - alt - ed is your name in

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Piano

8^{va}

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all the world! From the lips of
 all the world! From the lips of
 all the world, in all the world!
 all the world!

dim. *mp* *dim.* *mp* *dim.* *mp* *dim.* *mp*

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poco rall.

chil - dren, chil - dren, you have or - dain - ed praise.
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mp *mp* *mp*

11 **più mosso** (♩ = c. 104)

Children's Choir *mp*

This is my Fa - ther's

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world; And to my lis - tening ears, All na - ture sings, and

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round me rings The mu - sic of the spheres. This is my Fa - ther's

22

world; I rest me in the thought Of rocks and tress, of