

A LITTLE WHILE

MEZZO-SOPRANO AND PIANO

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A Little While

A little while when I am gone
My life will live in music after me,
As spun foam lifted and borne on
After the wave is lost in the full sea.

A while these nights and days will burn
In song with the bright frailty of foam,
Living in light before they turn
Back to the nothingness that is their home.

Sara Teasdale
(1884-1933)

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Martha Helen Schmidt

$\text{♩} = 58 - 63$

Mezzo-Soprano

Musical notation for Mezzo-Soprano part, measures 1-4. The staff shows rests in measures 1, 2, and 3, followed by a quarter note 'A' in measure 4. The dynamic marking *mf* is present.

A

Piano

Musical notation for Piano part, measures 1-4. The piano part consists of a treble and bass clef staff. The dynamic marking *mf* is present.

Mezzo

Musical notation for Mezzo part, measures 3-5. The lyrics are: lit - tle while when I am gone My life will live in mu - sic. The piano accompaniment is shown below.

lit - tle while when I am gone My life will live in mu - sic

Mezzo

Musical notation for Mezzo part, measures 6-8. The lyrics are: af - ter me, As spun - faom - lif - ted and borne on. The piano accompaniment is shown below.

af - ter me, As spun - faom - lif - ted and borne on

Mezzo

9 Af - ter the wave is lost, is lost, the wave is lost in the full sea

Mezzo

12 A - while these

Mezzo

15 ...s and days will burn In song with the bright frail-ty of

Mezzo

18 foam, Liv - ing in light be - for they turn Back to the

Mezzo

21

noth - ing - ness that is their

mp

Mezzo

23

home.

mf

mp

Mezzo

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