A BRANCH OF MAY
(I Brought You Here)

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SATB Voices
(and Optional Treble Choir)
with Piano Accompaniment
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A May-Day Song
(Hertfordshire)

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Treble

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Piano

**for desired rubato, beat may be subdivided

*If performed with SATB only, S/A can divide on the Treble line. Optional orchestral accompaniment available from the publisher.

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Faster ($= 60$)

moon shines bright the stars give a light a little before 'tis

Ah

Our heavily Father He called to us and

Ah

sub $\text{p}$ (bring out piano)
Faster ($j = 92$)

Awake, awake oh pretty, pretty maid out of your drowsy

Awake, awake oh pretty, pretty maid out of your drowsy
Each time you dream, 
And step into your dairy below and dream.

fetch me a bowl of cream. 
If not a bowl of fetch me a bowl of cream. 
If not a bowl of
mug of brown
your sweet cream,
give me a mug of brown,

your sweet cream,
give me a mug of brown,

poco rall. a tempo

(Ah)

(Ah)
bear...
bear...

mug of brown beer.
For the Lord knows where

mug of brown beer.
For the Lord knows where
we shall meet again to be may-ing anoth-er

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Much faster ($\text{b} = 93, \text{a} = 140$)

I have been ram-bling,

I have been ram-bling.

Much faster ($\text{b} = 93, \text{a} = 140$)
I have been rambling, I have been rambling, rambling, I have been rambling, rambling, rambling, rambling.

Ah!

mp (slightly accented)

I have been rambling all of this night and the best part of this day.

mp (slightly accented) simile
I have returned, returned back again, I brought you a branch of may.
All of the hedges, hedges,

no rit.

All of the hedges,

may.

All of the hedges,

All of the hedges, hedges,

no rit.

All of the hedges, hedges,

All of the hedges, hedges,

all of the fields, of the fields, they are as green as the leaves.

all of the fields they are as green as the leaves.

all of the fields they are as green as the leaves.
The night-in-gale will sit and sing as wind rustles through all the trees.

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All of the hedges, all the fields,

All of the hedges, all the fields,

All of the hedges, all the fields,

They are as green as the, as the leaves.

They are as green as the, as the leaves.

They are as green as the, as the leaves.
The night-in-gale will sit and sing.

I have been rambling all of this night.

I have been rambling, rambling all of this night.
and the best part of the day.

and the best part of the day.

and the best part of the, part of the day.

I have returned, returned back again, I

I have returned, I have returned back again, I

I have returned, I have returned back again, a gain, I
brought you a branch of May.

brought you a branch of May.

brought you a branch of May, a branch of May.

a tempo (a little slower)

I have returned again, I

I have returned again, I

I have returned again, returned back again, again, I

a tempo (a little slower)
brought you a branch of May. Hum

brought you a branch of May. Hum

brought you a branch of May. Hum

Tempo primo ($\text{~} = 40$) rall... a tempo

Tempo primo ($\text{~} = 40$) (bring out piano) rall... a tempo
A branch of May I brought you here, and only a sprout, but at your door I stand.
well budded out, the work of our Lord's hand.
a little faster

Our heav'n-ly father he called to us and

Our heav'n-ly father he called to us and

Our heav'n-ly father he called to us and
bid us to wake and pray.

*accel.*

*rit.*

(subdiv. beat 4)
a tempo

114

\( \text{\( \text{\( J \)} \)} = 88 \)

God bless you all both great and small, and

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God bless you all both great and small, and

a tempo

114

\( \text{\( \text{\( J \)} \)} = 88 \)

Perhaps faster

118

\( \text{\( \text{\( J \)} \)} = 152 \)

May send you a joyful, joyful send you a joyful

May send you a joyful, joyful send you a joyful

May send you a joyful, joyful send you a joyful

Much faster

\( \text{\( \text{\( J \)} \)} = 152 \)
joyful, joyful May.
joyful, joyful May.
joyful May.

joyful, joyful May.
joyful May.

joyful May.

joyful May.
joyful May.

joyful May.

joyful May.
joyful May.

joyful May.
*a few Sopranos if desired (possible).