

# A Prayer of Saint Patrick

Words from  
Saint Patrick's Breastplate (5th-century)  
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Gently and easily moving (♩ = 66)

*p legato sempre*

SOPRANO  
ALTO

Christ — be with — me, Christ — with - in me, —

TENOR  
BASS

*p legato sempre*

3 *poco cresc.*

Christ — be - hind — me, — Christ — be - fore me, —

*poco cresc.*

5 *mp cresc.* *mf*

Christ — be - side — me, — Christ to win me,

*mp cresc.* *mf*

7 *dim.*

Christ — to com - fort and re - store — me, Christ a -

*dim.*

me, —

9 *mp* Christ a - bove me, Christ be - neath me,  
 - bove me, Christ be - neath me,  
*mp* Christ a - bove me,

11 *cresc.* Christ in qui - et, Christ in dan - ger,  
*cresc.* *mf*

13 *cresc.* Christ in hearts of all that love me,  
*cresc.* *f*  
 Christ in *cresc.*

15 *mf dim.* Christ in mouth of friend and *mp dim.* stran - ger,  
*mf dim.* *mp dim.* stran - ger,  
*mp dim.* *rall.*

17 *Slower* *p* Christ in mouth of friend and *dim.* stran - ger. *pp*  
*p* *dim.* *pp*

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