

to the Parish Choir
The Episcopal Church of St. Mary the Virgin

Alma Redemptoris Mater

*Alma Redemptoris Mater, quae pervia caeli
Porta manes, et stella maris, succurre cadenti,
Surgere qui curat populo: tu quae genuisti,
Natura mirante, tuum sanctum Genitorem,
Virgo prius ac posterius, Gabrielis ab ore
Sumens illud Ave, peccatorum miserere.*

O loving Mother of our Redeemer,
gate of heaven, star of the sea, Hasten to aid
thy fallen people who strive to rise once more.
Thou who brought forth thy holy Creator, all creation wondering,
Yet remainest ever Virgin, taking from Gabriel's lips
that joyful "Hail!": be merciful to us sinners.

Marian Antiphon
(source: 1969 Solemnnes Liber Usualis)
Eric Choate b.1990

Molto legato ♩ = 60

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poco rit. *a tempo* *rit.*

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