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in celebration of the 100th birthday of Dr. Ferris Ohl*

i carry your heart

for SATB Chorus and Piano

E. E. Cummings (1894–1962)

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Moderately flowing $\text{♩} = 63$
*gently mark each note,
like tolling bells*

Piano {
 $\text{♩} = 63$
*gently mark each note,
like tolling bells*

S 8
p always intense and expressive
i car - ry your heart with me
p always intense and expressive
i car - ry your heart with me
p always intense and expressive
(i car - ry it in my
p always intense and expressive
(i car - ry it in my

A
 $\text{♩} = 63$

T
 $\text{♩} = 63$

B
 $\text{♩} = 63$

Piano {
 $\text{♩} = 63$

Words: "i carry your heart with me(i carry it in".

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i am nev - er with-out it _____
i am nev - er with-out it _____
heart) _____ (an-y-where i go
heart) _____ (an-y-where i go

This section consists of four staves. The top two staves are for the voice, with lyrics: "i am nev - er with-out it", "i am nev - er with-out it", "heart) _____ (an-y-where i go", and "heart) _____ (an-y-where i go". The third staff is for the left hand of the piano, showing sustained notes. The fourth staff is for the right hand of the piano, featuring eighth-note patterns. Measure numbers 15 and 19 are present above the first and last lines respectively.

23

pp
i ____ car - ry ____
pp
i ____ car - ry ____
you go, — my dear, — pp and what - ev - er is
you go, — my — dear, — p and what - ev - er is

This section consists of five staves. The top two staves are for the voice, with lyrics: "pp i ____ car - ry ____", "pp i ____ car - ry ____", "you go, — my dear, — pp and what - ev - er is", and "you go, — my — dear, — p and what - ev - er is". The third staff is for the left hand of the piano, showing sustained notes. The fourth staff is for the right hand of the piano, featuring eighth-note patterns. Measure numbers 23 and 27 are present above the first and last lines respectively.

6

30

your heart with me
your heart with me
done by on-ly me is your do - ing, my dar - ling)
done by on-ly me is your do - ing, my dar - ling)

More motion $\text{♩} = 69$

p mp

fear no fate i want no world
fear no fate i want no world
(for you are my fate, my sweet) (for beau - ti - ful)

More motion $\text{♩} = 69$

poco allarg. Just a bit broader $\text{♩} = 66$

7

f

and — it's — you are — what-ev-er a

f

my true) and it's — you are — what-ev-er a

f

you are my — world, — my — true) — and it's — you are — what-ev-er a

f

you are my — world, — my — true) — and it's — you are what - ev-er a

poco allarg. Just a bit broader $\text{♩} = 66$

f

you are my — world, — my — true) — and it's — you are what - ev-er a

f

you are my — world, — my — true) — and it's — you are what - ev-er a

f

you are my — world, — my — true) — and it's — you are what - ev-er a

f

moon has al-ways meant and what-ev-er a sun will al - ways sing, — will

f

moon has al-ways meant and what - ev-er a sun — will al - ways sing, —

f

moon has al-ways meant and what - ev-er a sun — will — al - ways sing, —

f

moon has al-ways meant and what - ev-er a sun will — al - ways — sing, —

f

moon has al-ways meant and what - ev-er a sun will — al - ways — sing, —

f

moon has al-ways meant and what - ev-er a sun will — al - ways — sing, —

f

moon has al-ways meant and what - ev-er a sun will — al - ways — sing, —

f

poco allarg.

Tempo I ♩ = 63

ff

55

sing _____ is _____ you _____

— will sing — is — you _____

— will sing is — you _____

— will sing is — you _____

poco allarg.

Tempo I ♩ = 63

ff

rit.

Tempo I ♩ = 63

l.h.

mp

p

60

65 *p* *parlando*

here is the deep-est se-cret no - bod-y knows
here is the deep-est se-cret no - bod-y knows
here is the deep-est se-cret no - bod-y knows
here is the deep-est se-cret no - bod-y knows
here is the deep-est se-cret no - bod-y knows

70 *cresc. poco a poco*

root of the root and the bud of the bud and the
root of the root and the bud of the bud and the
root of the root and the bud of the bud and the
root of the root and the bud of the bud and the

cresc.

Review Copy Only

More motion ♩ = 69

Moving forward ♩ = 76

74

mf

sky ____ of the sky ____ of a tree ____ called _ life; which

mf

sky ____ of the sky of a tree ____ called _ life; which

mf

sky ____ of the sky ____ of a tree ____ called _ life; which

mf

sky ____ of the sky of a tree ____ called _ life; which

cresc.

f bring out the syncopated line

*poco allarg.***Broader, majestic** ♩ = 69**ff**

78

grows high - - er than the soul can hope

grows high - - er than the soul can hope

grows high - - er than the soul can hope

grows high - er than the soul can hope

ff

*poco allarg.***Broader, majestic** ♩ = 69**ff**

83

ff

Review Copy!

83 rit. A bit slower $\text{♩} = 66$ rit. Tempo I $\text{♩} = 63$

or the mind can hide) _____

rit. A bit slower $\text{♩} = 66$ rit. Tempo I $\text{♩} = 63$

mp p

90 *p hushed, intense, reverent*

and this is the won-der_ that's keep-ing the stars a - part _____
 (unis.) *p hushed, intense, reverent* 3
 and this is the won-der_ that's_ keep-ing the stars a - part _____
p hushed, intense, reverent 3
 and this is the won-der_ that's_ keep-ing the stars a - part _____
 unis. *p hushed, intense, reverent* 3
 and this is the won-der_ that's_ keep - ing the stars a - part _____

p *pp* *p*

95 *rit.*

— i car - ry your heart, (i car - ry it in my
 — i car - ry your heart, (i car - ry it in my
 — i car - ry your heart, (i car - ry it in my
 — i car - ry your heart, (i car - ry it in my
rit.

mp *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p*

102 In tempo $\text{d} = 63$

rit.

heart _____ i car - ry it _____ in my heart, _____
 heart _____ i car - ry it _____ in my heart, _____
 heart _____ i car - ry it _____ in my heart, _____
 heart _____ i car - ry it _____ in my heart, _____

In tempo $\text{d} = 63$

rit.

my heart) _____
 my heart) _____
 my heart) _____
 my heart) _____

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rit.

my heart) _____
 my heart) _____
 my heart) _____
 my heart) _____

rit.

my heart) _____
 my heart) _____
 my heart) _____
 my heart) _____