

# A Mother's Silent Prayer

(High voice solo)

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$\text{♩} = 50$

*mp*

8 *mp* She calls up-on the Fa- ther of cre- a- tion, With ev- 'ry act of  
-- Ev- 'ry self- less deed is her pe- ti- tion, That bears a- loft a

14 kind- ness for our sake, *mf* She seeks his grace to guard and guide her  
fer- vent, word- less plea, And like a prayer a- scend- ing in- to

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20 22

chil- dren, To raise us up in right- eous- ness, and strength- en us in  
 hea- ven, -- Ev- 'ry qui- et sac- ri- fice en- treats him si- lent-

24 26

faith, (1&2) And as each la- bor of her love be- comes an of- fer- ing,  
 ly, *mf*

*mf*

28 30 32

Gifts up- on the al- tar of her home, He

34 36

hears her si- lent prayer, and la- bors with her there, *rit.* To

*rit.*

38 40 1. 42

mold our hearts, to shape our ve- ry souls.

*a tempo*

44 46

*mp*

48 2. 50 52

souls. *mf* Each word of hope or coun- sel, Each sor- row that she shares, Each

*mf*

54 56

com- fort that she of- fers is a mo- ther's si- lent prayer,

*rit.*

*rit.*

58 60

*mf* Of high e- state or poor and low- ly sta- tion,

*mf* a tempo

62 64

'mid mor- tal praise or by the world un- known,

*mf* a tempo

66 68 70

Ev- 'ry work of mo- ther- hood's de- vo- tion Ris- es up to

72 74

plead for her be- fore the Fa- ther's throne, And as each la- bor of her

*f*

76 78

love be- comes an of- fer- ing, Gifts up- on the

80 82

al- tar of her home, He hears her si- lent prayer, and

84 86 88

la- bors with her *rit.* there To mold our hearts, to shape our *a tempo*

*rit.* *a tempo*

90 92 94

ve- ry souls.

*mp* *rit.*