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CHILD OF THE BORDERLANDS

Psalm 9 (You Will Be a Refuge)*

Ah, have pity on them.
You will be a refuge, ah, for they are in need,
a refuge in their time of trouble,
for the child shall not always be forgotten.

Music by Patricia Van Ness (1951)
Score rev. 14 February 2020
*from MUSIC FOR THE PSALMS,
dedicated in its entirety to Peter Sykes

Adapted from The Psalter,
The Book of Common Prayer

♩ = 62 Stagger breathing as needed, including within words;
sempre molto legato; *mp-mf*, using natural dynamics.

The musical score is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It features a Treble part with lyrics 'Ah, ah ah ah' and a box labeled 'A'. Below are Soprano 1 and Soprano 2 parts. The main vocal section starts at measure 10 and includes parts for Soprano I, Soprano II, Alto (A.), Tenor (T.), and Bass (B.). Dynamics include *mp*, *mf*, and *mp*. The lyrics for the main section are: 'pi - ty on them, have pi - ty on them. Ah', 'pi - ty on them, have pi - ty on, them. You', 'on them, have pi - ty on, on them. You you you', 'pi - ty on, on them. You you you', and 'them. You you'.

18 B

S. I ah ah ref - uge, a

S. II you_ you_ you_ will_ be_ a ref - uge, a

A. _ you_ you you_ will will_ be be_ a a_ a (ref_ a

T. you you you_ you will_ be ref - uge, _

B. you you you_ will be a a_ ref - uge, _

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S. I re - - - uge ah ah

S. II ref - - - uge, _ ref will_ - be_ a_ (ref_

A. ref - - - uge, _ will will_ be be_ a_ a ref - uge

T. you_ be ref - uge

B. you_ you_ *mf* be a_ ref - -

34 C D

Tr. ah ah

S. I for they are in need, in

S. II for they need,

A. for are in need,

T. for they are need,

B. uge, for they are in need, in

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S. I in in need, a ref - uge in their time of trou-ble

S. II need a ref_ uge in time of trou-ble,

A. in need, ref - - uge their time trou - ble

T. in need ref - uge in time of trou -

B. need ref - uge in their time trou - ble

51 E

S. I
 — trou - ble for the child shall not

S. II
 trou - ble trou - ble for child shall not

A.
 trou - ble for for the child shall not

T.
 - ble trou - ble for for the child shall not

B.
 (ble for child shall

58 rit.

S. I
 not be for - got - ten.

S. II
 not not for - got - ten.

A.
 not not not be for - got - ten.

T.
 not not not for got - ten.

B.
mf not not not not be for - got - ten.