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Hope is the thing with feathers  
for children's choir SSA

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Music by RAFFAELE DE GIACOMETTI

Lyrics by EMILY DICKINSON

**Lento, quasi senza tempo** (♩=52)

(soft wind sound) *p* *mp* *pp* *pp still*  
Soprano 1 "Hope",

(soft wind sound) *p* *mp* *pp* *pp still*  
Soprano 2 "Hope",

(soft wind sound) *pp* *p* *pp* *p* *pp still*  
Alto "Hope",

5 *p* *pp* *poco* *pp sub.* *mp*  
S1 "Hope", "Hope", "Hope"

*pp* *poco* *pp sub.* *mp*  
S2 "Hope", "Hope", "Hope"

*p* *pp* *poco* *pp sub.* *mp*  
A "Hope", "Hope", "Hope"

10 *pp* *rall.*  
S1 is the thing with feath - ers- that perch - es in the soul-

*pp*  
S2 is the thing with feath - ers- that perch - es in the soul-

*pp*  
A is the thing with feath - ers- that perch - es in the soul-

**Più mosso (♩=62)**

14 *p still*  
 S1 Aah  
 S2 *p still* Aah  
 A *p still* Aah

18 *f*  
 S1 Aah  
 S2 *f mp sub. espress.* Aah (Aah)  
 A *f mp espress.* Aah (Aah)

22 *mp espress.*  
 S1 (Aah)  
 S2 *mf* And  
 A (Aah)

25 *mf* *f*

S1 And sings the tune with-out the words- And

S2 sings the tune with - out the words- And

A *mf* *f*  
And sings the tune with - out the words- And nev - er, And

*moving a bit forward* *ff*

S1 nev - er stops- at all- And sweet - est- in the

S2 nev - er stops- at all- Aah

A nev - er stops- at all- Aah

31 *calando*

S1 Gale- is heard- And sore must be the storm-

S2 Aah

A Aah