

563 Bless this child

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$\text{♩} = 84$

Unison

1-3. Fa - ther, bless this child_ with a

1. beau - ti - ful
2. pure, thank - ful
3. pur - pose in

The first system of music features a vocal line in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The lyrics are: "1-3. Fa - ther, bless this child_ with a". To the right, three options are listed: "1. beau - ti - ful", "2. pure, thank - ful", and "3. pur - pose in". The accompaniment consists of a piano part with a treble and bass clef, providing harmonic support.

smile, lit - tle eyes shin - ing bright shar - ing all of the
heart, tin - y hands clasped in prayer, with Your bless - ing, Your
life, with di - rec - tion di - vine, to the day when Your

The second system continues the vocal line with the lyrics: "smile, lit - tle eyes shin - ing bright shar - ing all of the heart, tin - y hands clasped in prayer, with Your bless - ing, Your life, with di - rec - tion di - vine, to the day when Your". The piano accompaniment continues with chords and moving lines.

light of your love, _____ O di - vine light that
care and Your grace. _____ Let it feel all the
Son will ap - pear. _____ And when e - vil sur -

The third system concludes the vocal line with the lyrics: "light of your love, _____ O di - vine light that care and Your grace. _____ Let it feel all the Son will ap - pear. _____ And when e - vil sur -". The piano accompaniment provides a final harmonic setting for the piece.

shines, light that shines from a - bove, _____ 1-3.
 warmth of Your lov - ing em - brace, _____ bless this
 rounds, keep Your hand ev - er near, _____

child, _____ bless this child, _____ bless this child.