

Crossing The BAR

for SATB Voices *a cappella*

Dedicated to my brother Tom who loved the sea and crossed the bar with dignity, grace and love

Lyrics by Alfred Lord Tennyson

Music by Craig McLeish

p ♩ = 100 flexible

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

Sun-set and eve - ning star, And one clear

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mp ***mf***

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

call for me! And may there be no moan - ing

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9

p

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

of the bar, When I put out to sea.

of the bar, When I put out to sea.

15

mp

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

But such a tide as mo - ving seems as - leep. Too full for

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19 *mp* *mf*

sound and foam, When that which drew from out the
sound and foam, When that which drew from out the

24 *p*

bound - less deep, Turns a - gain home.
bound - less deep, Turns a - gain home.

29 *pp*

Twilight and evening bell. And after that the dark!
Twilight and evening bell. And after that the dark!

33 *tenuto*

And may there be no sadness of fare - well. When
And may there be no sadness of fare - well. When

36 *p*

I em - bark. For tho' from out our bourne of Time and

I em - bark. For tho' from out our bourne of Time and

42 *mp* *mf/p*

Place, The flood may bear me far, I hope to

Place, The flood may bear me far, I hope to

47 *p*

see my pi - lot face to face. When I have

see my pi - lot face to face. When I have

52 1. 2.

crossed the bar. crossed the bar.

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