

The 2020 AGO/ECS award calls for a choral work, utilizing
the text of either of the two poems, below.

Star light, burning bright,
sign of hope in this dark night,
sign of peace and joy and love,
shining in the sky above,
promising, lest we forget,
God is with us, even yet,
calling us to live Love's way,
to be Love's light on earth today.
Gloria in excelsis deo!

Rev. Mary Nelson Keithahn

The ancients voice their ageless call;
Through time and space they whisper long
That God is good, and loves us all,
We all belong, we all belong.

In silent, still serenity
God's love is deep, like waters calm
That merge into a rippling sea
Of tender care and healing balm.

For God, through time and endless days,
Bestows on all abundant grace,
And binds us close in countless ways.
For in God's truth we find our place.

In silent, still serenity,
Ancestral voices echo on
And call us to eternity
Where in God's truth we all belong.

Marilyn Biery