

For Jennifer Haywood
Before the Bread

English Folk Blessing

Elizabeth Alexander

Simply, lyrically

Solo or Tutti

p

Be - fore the bread the mill, Be - fore the mill the__

for rehearsal only

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Solo or Tutti

grain,__ Be - fore the grain the sun and rain, the beau - ty of God's

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Solo or Tutti

will.

A

p

S Be - fore the bread the mill, Be - fore the mill the__

p

A Be - fore the bread the mill, Be - fore the mill the__

T Be - fore the bread the

p

B Be - fore the bread the

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S grain, Be - fore the grain the sun and rain, the beau - ty of God's

A grain, Be - fore the grain the sun and rain, the beau - ty of God's

T mill, Be - fore the mill the grain, Be - fore the grain the

B mill, Be - fore the mill the grain, Be - fore the grain the

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mp **B**

S will. Be - fore the bread the mill, Be - fore the mill the

A will. *mp* Be - fore the bread the

T sun and rain, the beau - ty of God's will.

B sun and rain, the beau - ty of God's will.