

# A Song on the End of the World

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♩ = 126c. *subdued*

Baritone *p*

On the day the world ends a bee— circ-les a clo - ver, a

Guitar *p*

Bar. *p*

fish - er - man mends a glimm - er - ing net. Happ - y por - poi-ses jump in the

Gtr.

Bar. *accel.*

sea, by the rain - spout young sparr - ows are play - ing

Gtr. *mp*

Bar. *tempo*

and the snake is gold - skinned as it should al - ways be.

Gtr. *pp*

*rall.*

Bar. *tempo*

On the day the world ends wo - men walk through the fields un - der their um -

Gtr. *p*

18

Bar. *brell-as, a drunk-ard grows sleep-y at the edge of a lawn, vege-ta-ble vend-ors*

Fl. *pp*

Hn. *pp gently*

Gtr.

22

Bar. *shout in the street and a yell-ow sailed boat comes near-er the is-land, the voice of a vi-o-lin*

Fl.

Hn. *pp*

Tpt. *p*

Tbn. *pp gently*

Gtr.

*rall.*

26

Bar. *lasts in the air and leads in - to a starr— y night.*

Fl.

Hn. *tr<sup>b</sup>*

Tbn.

Gtr.

*tempo*

30

Bar. *mf* *p*

And those who ex - pect - ed light - ning and thun - der are dis - a - ppoint - ed, and

Hn. *pp* *mf*

Tpt. *pp* *mf* *pp* *pp*

Tbn. *pp*

Pc. TAM-TAM *scrape edge pp* *norm. mp*

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Bar. *f*

those who ex - pect - ed signs and arch - an - gels' trumps do not be - lieve it is happ - en - ing

Hn. *p* *f*

Tpt. *pp* *p* *f*

Tbn. *mp* *f*

Tba. *mf* *f*

[PIPE ORGAN] *ff*

39 *p*

Bar. *p*  
now, as long as the sun and the moon are ab-ove, as long as the bum-ble- bee

Fl. *pp*

Gtr. *p*

Pc. SUSP. CYM. TAM-TAM TRGL. *p* *p* *pp*

Syn.

44 *p*

Bar. *p*  
vis - its a rose, as long as ro - sy in - fants are born

Fl. *pp*

Gtr.

Pc. TRGL.

Syn. [VIBRAPHONE]

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Bar. no one be - lieves it is happ-en - ing now. On-ly a white-haired old

Fl. *mp* *pp*

Tba. *pp* < *pp* <

Gtr.

Syn.

56

Bar. man, who would be a proph-et yet is not a proph-et, for he's

Fl.

Tba. *pp* < *pp* < *pp* < *pp* < *pp* < *pp* <

Syn.

63

Bar. much too bu - sy, re - peats while he binds his tom - a - toes:

Fl. *take Piccolo*

Hn. *pp*

Tpt. *pp*

Tba. *pp* *p* *pp*

*faster*

69

*pp*

Bar. *pp* There will be no oth-er end of the world,

Picc. *mp* *p* *f*

Bn. *mp* *p* *f*

Hn. *mp* *p* *f*

Tpt. *mp* *p* *f*

Tbn. *mp* *p* *f*

Tba. *mp* *p* *f*

Gtr. *pp*

Pc. CHIMES *p* *f*

Syn. [PIPE ORGAN] *p* *f*

*a tempo* (♩ = 66c.)

*faster (as before)*

73 *pp*

Bar. 

There will be no oth-er end of the world.

Picc. 

Bn. 

Hn. 

Tpt. 

Tbn. 

Tba. 

Gtr. 

*pp*

CHIMES

Pc. 

Syn. 

*pp* *ffff*