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This Child of Ours

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I: Flute 8'
II: Gentle Solo Combination
Ped: Flute 16', 8'

Leisurely (♩ = 60)

The musical score is written for a piano and flute. It begins with a piano introduction in 4/4 time, marked 'Leisurely' with a tempo of 60 beats per minute. The piano part features a gentle accompaniment with a 'Ped.' (pedal) marking. The flute part is marked 'I' and 'mp' (mezzo-piano). A second flute part, marked '* II', is indicated for a solo instrument. The vocal line enters in the third system with the lyrics: 'This child of ours— this mir - a - cle— You have a dream and a plan for him: (her:) You wash him (her)'. The piano accompaniment continues throughout the vocal section, with a 'mp' dynamic marking. The score concludes with a final piano flourish.

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* Tune: *ES IST DAS HEIL*. Sections marked II may be played on a solo instrument. Chorale melody would then be omitted from organ.

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clean, You cra - dle him, You bless him and You call him
 (her) (her) (her)

Yours: _____ This child of ours, This child of Yours. _____

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mf
 This child of Yours — This mir - a - cle —

I
mf

Re-born of wa-ter and the Word; The Book of Life Re-cords his (her)

name, You smile and an-gels cel-e-brate: This child of Yours,

This child of ours.

mf

This child of ours — This mir - a - cle — Whom Christ would

die for, — we may love, — And train and

raise, And teach and praise, And watch the Spir - it mold a life: — This child of

f, broaden

f, broaden

ours, — This child of yours. —

holding back

holding back *very slowly* II