

LSB 768

for my mentor and friend, Rev. Dr. Paul Westermeyer,
in thanksgiving for his years of service as Cantor, Professor of Church Music,
and Director of the Master of Sacred Music program at Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota

Now to the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray

SATB and organ with trumpet* and assembly

st. 1, Medieval German *Leise*
sts. 2-4, Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. composite

NUN BITTEN WIR
J. Walter, *Geistliche Gesangbüchlein*, 1524
arr. Zebulon M. Highben

Not too fast!

Dolce con spirito (♩ = 72-78)

The composer thanks Cantor Gary Butler and the musicians of the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, Roseville, MN, for premiering this setting.

* Instrument part available for download at www.augsburgfortress.org.

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Musical score for measures 13-18. The system includes a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The piano part features a complex texture with chords in the right hand and sustained chords in the left hand. The vocal line consists of a melodic line with a fermata over the final note of the system.

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19

Musical score for measures 19-23. The system includes a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The piano part features a complex texture with chords in the right hand and sustained chords in the left hand. The vocal line consists of a melodic line with a fermata over the final note of the system.

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Musical score for measures 24-28. The system includes a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The piano part features a complex texture with chords in the right hand and sustained chords in the left hand. The vocal line consists of a melodic line with a fermata over the final note of the system. The word "rubato" is written below the vocal line and above the piano part.

NOW TO THE HOLY SPIRIT LET US PRAY

29

a tempo *poco a poco rit.*

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34 **Tempo I** (Congregation)

mf

Soprano + Assembly (opt.)*
unis. *mf*

Alto *To* *God*
Now to the Ho - ly Spir - it let us pray

Tempo I

mf

Man.

39

for ~~true~~ *the* ~~faith,~~ *true* ~~most~~ *faith* need - ed on our way:

* The assembly may join the choir on stanzas 1 and 4 or only stanza 4. If stanza 1 is sung without assembly, follow the choir part arrangements provided in the score. If stanza 1 is sung with assembly, all voices sing the entire stanza.

44

Tenor *unis.*

Bass *That He may*
Guide us and de - fend us when life is end - ing and our jour - ney from ex - ile

repeat st. 1
music
tpt tacet

48

SA *unis.*

TB

home - ward is tend - ing. We are wend - ing. Lord, have mer - cy!
*Ky - ri - e - leis!

Gently, poco meno mosso

(Congregation) no choir

53

Soprano *mp*

Alto *a cappella* 2 O sweet - est Love, O sweet - est Love,

Tenor *mp*

Bass *mf* 2 Love, O Love, O

The Latin phrase *Kyrieleis* may be substituted for the English "Lord, have mercy," in all stanzas or only the choral stanzas (2 and 3).

55



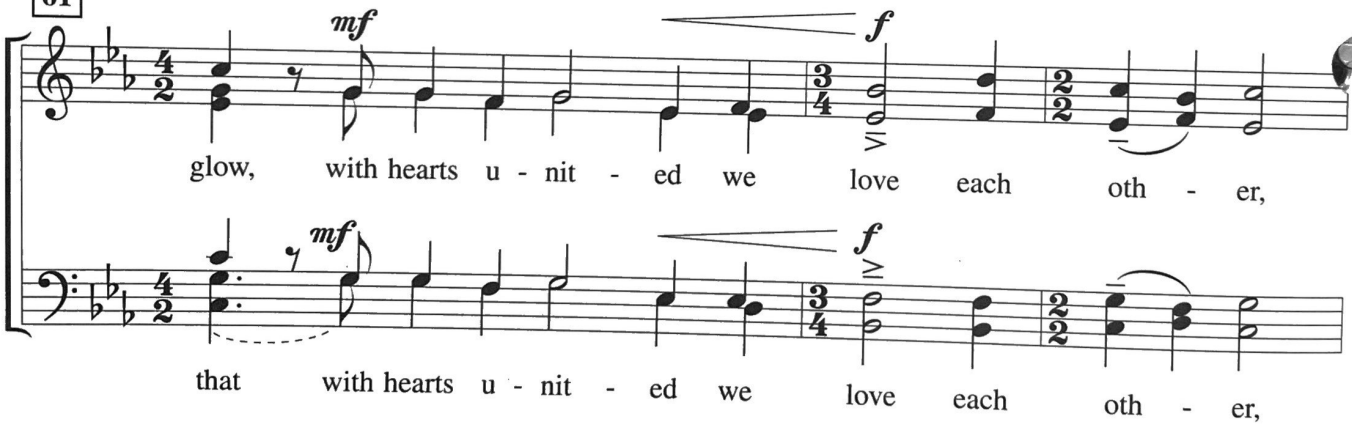
O sweet - est Love, O sweet - est Love, your grace be -
c.f. Love, sweet - est Love, your grace on us be - stow;

58



stow. Oh, set our hearts, Oh, set our hearts, with fire a -
 set our hearts with sa - cred fire a - glow,

61



glow, with hearts u - nit - ed we love each oth - er,
 that with hearts u - nit - ed we love each oth - er,

64



ev - 'ry stran - ger, sis - ter, and broth - er.
mf ev - 'ry stran - ger, sis - ter, and broth - er.
poco rit.

70

Slowly (in 4)

mp

Tempo I

59

Lord, have mer - cy!
Ky - ri - e - leis!

Lord, have mer - cy!
Ky - ri - e - leis!

Tempo I

mp

mp

Choir

74

unis. mf

3 Tran - scend - ent com - fort in our ev - 'ry need,

unis. mf

mf

mf

mf

80

help us nei - ther scorn nor death to heed,

86

f *sempre poco marcato*

f *urgently* *mp* *f*

that we may not fal - ter, nor cour - age

86

* quoting EIN FESTE BURG, Martin Luther, 1483-1546

91

fail us

foe shall

when the foe shall

mp

f

f

* [mark]

96

taunt and as - sail us.

Lord, have mer - cy!

Ky - ri - e - leis!

unison

Play

* opt. organ

To God the Holy Spirit st. 4

10

101

Broadly; maestoso (♩ = 66-72)

f + Congregation

f Descant

4 Shine in our hearts, O Spir - it, pre - cious light,

f Choir (+ assembly, opt.)

4 Shine in our hearts, O Spir - it, pre - cious light,

101

f

f

106

that we
Teach us

Je - sus Christ may know a - right,

that we
Teach us

Je - sus Christ may know a - right,

clinging to our Sav - ior, whose blood has bought us, who to our true
 That we may a-bide in the Lord who bought us, Till to our true
 clinging to our Sav - ior, whose blood has bought us, who to our true
 That we may a-bide in the Lord who bought us, Till to our true

home - land has brought us. Lord, have mer - cy!
 home He has Ky - ri - e - leis!
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molto rit.

in 4