



THE FAITH I CELEBRATE



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Commissioned by the Aldersgate Choir of
Mount Vernon United Methodist Church, Danville, Virginia,
in honor of the life of Evelyn Miller.
Robert Capen, Choirmaster

The Faith I Celebrate

for SATB chorus *a cappella*

Text: Evelyn Ellison Miller

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The musical score is written for Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass, and Piano. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The tempo is marked *mp* (mezzo-piano) with a quarter note equal to 80 beats per minute. The lyrics are: "In the green - ing of new spring as swal - lows coast the sky, and my thoughts drift". The piano part is marked *mp* and includes the instruction "(for rehearsal only)".

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S aim - less with the morn - ing tide, *mf* God comes to me in spi - rit,

A aim - less with the morn - ing tide, *mf* God comes to me in spi - rit,

T aim - less with the morn - ing tide,

B aim - less with the morn - ing tide,

Pno. *mf*

12

S *mp* God comes to me in spi - rit, *mf* God comes to me in spi - rit bring - ing vis - ion clear and

A *mp* God comes to me in spi - rit, *mf* God comes to me in spi - rit bring - ing vis - ion clear and

T *mp* God comes to me in spi - rit, *mf* God comes to me in spi - rit bring - ing vis - ion clear and

B *mp* God comes to me in spi - rit, *mf* God comes to me in spi - rit bring - ing vis - ion clear and

Pno. *mp* *mf*

17

S true, and the bless - ings of the faith I ce - le - brate. *mp* When the moon comes mis - ty grey and the

A true, and the bless - ings of the faith I ce - le - brate. *mp* When the moon comes mis - ty grey and the

T true, and the bless - ings of the faith I ce - le - brate. *mp* When the moon comes mis - ty grey and the

B true, and the bless - ings of the faith I ce - le - brate. *mp* When the moon comes mis - ty grey and the

Pno.

22

S for - est whis - pers low, in the dim - ming si - lence of re - gret and fear,

A for - est whis - pers low, in the dim - ming si - lence of re - gret and fear,

T for - est whis - pers low, in the dim - ming si - lence of re - gret and fear,

B for - est whis - pers low, in the dim - ming si - lence of re - gret and fear,

Pno.

28

S *mf* God comes to me in spi - rit, *mp* God comes to me in spi - rit, *mf* God comes to me in

A *mf* God comes to me in spi - rit, *mp* God comes to me in spi - rit, *mf* God comes to me in

T *mp* God comes to me in spi - rit, *mf* God comes to me in

B *mp* God comes to me in spi - rit, *mf* God comes to me in

Pno. *mf* *mp* *mf*

33

S spi - rit bring - ing peace, — se - re - ni - ty, and the bless - ings of the faith I ce - le - brate. —

A spi - rit bring - ing peace, se - re - ni - ty, and the bless - ings of the faith I ce - le - brate. —

T spi - rit bring - ing peace, se - re - ni - ty, and the bless - ings of the faith I ce - le - brate. —

B spi - rit bring - ing peace, — se - re - ni - ty, and the bless - ings of the faith I ce - le - brate. —

Pno. *mf*

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S *mf* In the ma-jes-ty of morn-ing I pro-claim God's sanc-ti-ty; *poco dim.* in the ho-ly calm of

A *mf* In the ma-jes-ty of morn-ing I pro-claim God's sanc-ti-ty; *poco dim.* in the ho-ly calm of

T *mf* In the ma-jes-ty of morn-ing I pro-claim God's sanc-ti-ty; *poco dim.* in the ho-ly calm of

B *mf* In the ma-jes-ty of morn-ing I pro-claim God's sanc-ti-ty; *poco dim.* in the ho-ly calm of

Pno. *mf*

42

S *mp* eve-ning, the e-lo-quence of grace. *mf* An-noint-ed by the spi-rit, *mp* an-noint-ed by the

A *mp* eve-ning, the e-lo-quence of grace. *mf* An-noint-ed by the spi-rit, *mp* an-noint-ed by the

T *mp* eve-ning, the e-lo-quence of grace. *mp* An-noint-ed by the

B *mp* eve-ning, the e-lo-quence of grace. *mp* An-noint-ed by the

Pno. *mp* *mf* *mp*

48

S *mf* spi - rit, an - noint - ed by the spi - rit I find ab - un - dant joy, and the bless - ings of the faith *cresc.*

A *mf* spi - rit, an - noint - ed by the spi - rit I find ab - un - dant joy, and the bless - ings of the faith *cresc.*

T *mf* spi - rit, an - noint - ed by the spi - rit I find ab - un - dant joy, and the bless - ings of the faith *cresc.*

B *mf* spi - rit, an - noint - ed by the spi - rit I find ab - un - dant joy, and the bless - ings of the faith *cresc.*

Pno. *mf*

54

S *f* I ce - le - brate, — I ce - le - brate, — *ff* I ce - le - brate. —

A *f* I ce - le - brate, — I ce - le - brate, — *ff* I ce - le - brate. —

T *f* I ce - le - brate, — I ce - le - brate, — *ff* I ce - le - brate. —

B *f* I ce - le - brate, — I ce - le - brate, — *ff* I ce - le - brate. —

Pno. *f* *ff*