

We Gather Here in Grateful Praise

For SATB Voices, Accompanied
with opt. Children's Choir

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Exuberantly (♩ = ca. 120-126)

The piano introduction is in 4/4 time, marked *mf*. It features a melody in the right hand with eighth and sixteenth notes, and a bass line in the left hand with quarter and eighth notes. The key signature has two sharps (F# and C#).

*SA unis. (or opt.
Children's Choir)*

mf

5

The first line of the song begins at measure 4. The vocal line (SA unis. or opt. Children's Choir) starts with a whole rest, then enters in measure 5 with the melody. The piano accompaniment continues from the introduction. The lyrics are: "We gath - er here_ in grate - ful praise, in".

The second line of the song begins at measure 7. The vocal line continues the melody. The piano accompaniment continues. The lyrics are: "prayer and song_ our voic - es raise, for all our bless - ings,".

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10

large and small, we thank You God, who gives us

(opt. Children's Choir continues on melody)

13

all.

SA *mf* 15

For loved ones, fam - i - ly,

TB *mf*

15

16

trea - sured friends, e - ter - nal life — that nev - er ends, for

19

Musical score for measures 19-21. The vocal part (Soprano/Alto) has lyrics: "dai - ly bread, _ sins washed _ a - way, we thank You God, _ a -". The piano accompaniment consists of chords and moving lines in both hands.

22

Musical score for measures 22-24. The vocal part has lyrics: "fresh each day. We". The piano accompaniment continues with chords and moving lines. A dynamic marking *mp* is present. A large diagonal watermark "Preview Only" is overlaid across the page.

25

Musical score for measures 25-26. The vocal part has lyrics: "thank You for the sa - cred". The piano accompaniment continues with chords and moving lines.

25

Musical score for measures 27-29. The piano accompaniment continues with chords and moving lines. A dynamic marking *mp* is present.

28

word, _____ and for the call Your

This system contains measures 28, 29, and 30. The vocal line (treble clef) has a whole note 'word,' followed by a half note rest, then quarter notes for 'and', 'for', 'the', 'call', and a half note 'Your'. The piano accompaniment (grand staff) features a steady eighth-note melody in the right hand and a bass line with a half note 'G' in measure 28, followed by chords in measures 29 and 30.

31

church has heard to live as You would

This system contains measures 31, 32, and 33. The vocal line (treble clef) has a whole note 'church', a half note 'has', a half note 'heard', a half note rest, a half note 'to', a half note 'live', a half note 'as', a half note 'You', and a half note 'would'. The piano accompaniment (grand staff) continues the eighth-note melody in the right hand and provides harmonic support with chords in the left hand.

35

lead each _____ day, we thank You

This system contains measures 35, 36, and 37. The vocal line (treble clef) has a half note 'lead', a half note 'each', a half note rest, a half note 'day,', a half note 'we', a half note 'thank', and a half note 'You'. The piano accompaniment (grand staff) continues the eighth-note melody in the right hand and provides harmonic support with chords in the left hand.

38

cresc.

God, _____ Your will _____ o - bey.

*cresc.**cresc.*

41

opt. Children's Choir ***f***

42

a tempo

Praise God, the source _____ of ev - 'ry - thing, praise

*poco rit.**SA* ***f****a tempo*

Praise God, the source _____ of ev - 'ry - thing, praise

TB ***f***

42

*poco rit.****f*** *a tempo*

44

God, the Son, - our Lord and King, praise God, the Ho - ly

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47

Spir - it near, we thank You God, -

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49

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*Performance option: Children's Choir only sings m. 48, beat 4, through m. 50, beat 2; SATB only sings m. 50, beat 4, through m. 52, beat 3; all sing m. 52, beat 4, to the end.

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we thank You God, _____ we
we thank You God, _____
we thank You God, we thank You God, _____ we



thank You God_ for You are here. _____
thank You God_ for You are here. _____
thank You God_ for You are here. _____

