JOYFUL SONGS WE SING IN CELEBRATION

SAB, accompanied

By WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART
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Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart was a highly successful composer of the Viennese Classical style and is highly revered today as one of the most important composers of all time. Mozart was known for his ability to compose in the many forms of the Classical era. His contributions to sacred choral music consisted of masses, a requiem, and many miscellaneous works for various performance occasions. He composed a lesser amount of secular works, including canons and two cantatas for Masonic occasions. Mozart was a member of a Masonic lodge in the last years of his life.

JOYFUL SONGS WE SING IN CELEBRATION is found in the first and last portions of Mozart's cantata EINE KLEINE FREIMAURER, K. 623, which he composed for the dedication of a new Masonic temple. Mozart made his last public appearance at this dedication in November, 1791

The source for this edition is *W.A. Mozart's Werke*, Series IV/I, p. 40, published by Breitkopf and Härtel in Leipzig. This work was originally scored for TTB voices with an orchestral accompaniment of strings, flute, two oboes and two horns. This edition for SAB voices includes a keyboard reduction of the instrumental and vocal parts as the accompaniment. Motern clefs, tempo, dynamic indications and English words have been added by the editor

The very joyful message of the text should be conveyed in performance by a highly rhythmic and energized presentation. Both accompanist and singers should accent the sixteenth notes to provide a great amount of rhythmic drive in performance. The natural inflections of the English text should be heard by the listener as the musical ideas are contrasted with the suggested dynamic changes.

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