

2011 Winner, The National Lutheran Choir's 25th Anniversary Choral Composition Competition

May the Words of My Mouth

for SATB Chorus (with optional divisi) unaccompanied

Psalm 19:14 (15)

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*May it be your will that the words of my mouth
Freely, chant-like (♩ = 48)*

Solo

and the meditations of my heart, be-

fore you God, my rock and redeemer.

ne - cha A - do - nai tsu-ri ve-go-a - li: A-men, A -

men. Yi - hi - yu le - ra-tson im - rei - fi ve - heg -

Yi - hi - yu, Yi - hi - yu,

Yi - hi - yu, Yi - hi - yu,

Yi - hi - yu le - ra-tson im - rei fi

Swinging, smoothly (♩ = 60)

tutti

mp

pp

p

(for rehearsal mp only)

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Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics: yon li - bi le - fa - ne - - - - cha A - do nai tsu - ri ve - go - a - li;

Alto (A) vocal line with lyrics: Yi - hi - yu,

Tenor (T) vocal line with lyrics: Yi - hi - yu,

Bass (B) vocal line with lyrics: ve-heg - yon li - bi le - fa - ne - - cha A - do - nai tsu - ri ve - go - a -

Musical markings: *mf*, *4*, *mp*, *2*, *4*.

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Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics: A - men, A - men.

Alto (A) vocal line with lyrics: A - men, A - men.

Tenor (T) vocal line with lyrics: li: A-men. Yi - hi - yu le - ra-tson im - rei - fi, Yi - hi - yu le - ra-tson im - rei -

Bass (B) vocal line with lyrics: li: A-men, A - men. Yi - hi - yu le - ra-tson im - rei - fi, Yi - hi -

Musical markings: *p*, *6*, *mp*, *p*, *mp*, *dim.*

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Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics: *mp*

Alto (A) vocal line with lyrics: *6*

Tenor (T) vocal line with lyrics: *8*

Bass (B) vocal line with lyrics: *8*

Musical markings: *dim.*

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Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics: "cept-a-ble in ² thy sight, be ac - cept-a-ble in thy sight, O God," followed by dynamic ***ff***. Alto (A) vocal line with lyrics: "cept-a-ble in ² thy sight, be ac - cept-a-ble in thy sight, O God," followed by dynamic ***ff***. Tenor (T) vocal line with lyrics: "ne - cha A-do - nai tsu-ri ve-go-a - li," followed by dynamic ***mp***. Bass (B) vocal line with lyrics: "A-do - nai tsu-ri ve-go-a - li, A - do - nai tsu-ri ve-go-a - li, A - do - nai tsu-ri ve-go-a - li, A - do - nai tsu-ri ve-go-a - li, A - do - nai tsu-ri ve-go-a - li, A - do - nai tsu-ri ve-go-a - li." The bass line continues on a new staff.

33

Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics: "O God, Yi-hi - yu le-ra-tson im-rei fi, Yi-hi -" followed by dynamic ***subito p*** and ***pp*** *hushe*. Alto (A) vocal line with lyrics: "O God, Yi-hi - yu le - ra - tson im-rei - fi" followed by dynamic ***subito p***. Tenor (T) vocal line with lyrics: "nai tsu-ri ve-go-a - li: O God, Yi - hi - yu le - ra-tson im-rei -" followed by dynamic ***f***. Bass (B) vocal line with lyrics: "li, A - do - nai tsu-ri ve-go-a - li:" followed by dynamic ***f***. The bass line continues on a new staff.

Slightly faster, hurried ($\text{♩} = 68$)

Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics: "Yi-hi - yu le-ra-tson im - rei fi, Yi-hi -" followed by dynamic ***subito p*** and ***pp*** *hushe*. Alto (A) vocal line with lyrics: "Yi-hi - yu le - ra - tson im-rei - fi" followed by dynamic ***subito p***. Tenor (T) vocal line with lyrics: "Yi - hi - yu le - ra-tson im-rei -" followed by dynamic ***f***. Bass (B) vocal line with lyrics: "Yi - hi - yu le - ra-tson im-rei -" followed by dynamic ***f***.

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8

48

S nai tsu - ri ve-go-a - li, A - do - nai tsu - ri ve-go-a - li, A - do -
cantabile

A cept - a - ble in thy sight, be ac - cept - a - ble in thy sight, O

T li A - do - nai tsu - ri ve-go-a - li A - do - nai tsu - ri ve-go-a -

B sight, be ac - cept - a - ble in thy sight, O God,

{ 48

S f ff

52 Still faster, majestic
with power ($\text{♩} = 76$)

S nai tsu - ri ve-go-a - li: O God, $\frac{12}{8}$

A God, O God, O God, $\frac{12}{8}$

T li: O God, O God, $\frac{12}{8}$

B O God, O God, Yi-hi- $\frac{12}{8}$
 Still faster, majestic
with power ($\text{♩} = 76$)

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64

S deem - - - er. A - - - men, A - men.
A deem - - - er. A - - - men, molto
T Yi - hi - yu le - ra-tson, A - men.
B tson, A - men, molto
rit.

64

(♩ = ♩) *fff* rit. -----
S (♩ = ♩) *fff* A - - - men, A - men.
A (♩ = ♩) *fff* A - - - men, molto
T (♩ = ♩) *fff* A - men.
B (♩ = ♩) *fff* A - men, molto dim.

Freely, chant-like (♩ = 48)

68

S *mp* solo 3 A - men.
A *pp* Yi-hi - yu le - ra-tson. A - men.
T A - men. A - men.
B A - men. A - men.
rit.

68

pp 3 A - men. A - men.
pp A - men. A - men.
pp A - men. A - men.
pp A - men. A - men.
rit.

68

Freely, chant-like (♩ = 48) *mp* 3 A - men. A - men.
pp A - men. A - men.
pp A - men. A - men.
pp A - men. A - men.

3'30"

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