



Lift every voice and sing

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National negro hymn 1928

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Mixed quartette

Moderato e maestoso 112

Soprano/Alto

Tenor/basse

Piano

The first system of the score shows the vocal staves for Soprano/Alto and Tenor/basse, both of which are currently silent. The piano accompaniment is in 8/8 time and begins with a series of chords and moving lines in both hands. A dynamic marking of *sfz* (sforzando) is present in the piano part.

S.A

T./B

Pno.

Lift - ev' - ry - voice - and
Sto - ny - the - road - we -
God - of - our - wea - ry -

The second system of the score shows the vocal staves for Soprano/Alto (S.A) and Tenor/Bass (T./B) with lyrics. The piano accompaniment (Pno.) continues with chords and moving lines. A dynamic marking of *mf* (mezzo-forte) is present in the piano part. There are asterisks above the vocal staves indicating specific notes.

10

S.A. sing, - Till - earth - and - heav - en - ring, - Ring - with - the -
 trod - Bi - tter - the - chast' - ning - rod, - Felt - in - the -
 years, - God - of - our - sil - lent - tears, - Thou - who - hast -

T./B.

Pno.

13

S.A. har - mo - nies - of -
 days - when - hope - un -
 brought - us - thus - far -

T./B.

Pno.

15

S.A. Lib - er - ty - Let - our - re - joic - ing - rise - High - as - the -
 born - had - died - Yet - with - a - stead - y - beat - Have - not - our -
 on - the - way, - Thou - who - hast - by - Thy - might, - led - us - in -

T./B.

Pno. *sf*

19

S.A. list - ning - skies, - Let - it - re - sound - loud - as - the -
 wear - y - feet - Come - to - the - place - for - which - our -
 to - the - light, - keep - us - for - ev - ver - in - the -

T./B.

Pno.

22

S.A. roll - ing - sea
fa - thers - sighed?
path, we - pray

T./B.

Pno.

24

S.A. *mf* Sing - a - song - full - of - the -
We - have - come - ov - er - a -
mf Lest - our - feet - stray - from - the -

T./B.

Pno. *pp*

26

S.A. faith - that - the - dark - past - has - taught - us
 way - that - with - tears - has - been - wa - tered
 pla - ces, - our - God, - where - we - met - Thee

T./B.

Pno. with trumpets

28

S.A. Sing - a - song - full - of - the -
 We - have - come - tread - ing - our -
 Lest - our - hearts - drunk - with - the -

T./B.

Pno. 8w bourdon *pp*

rall e molto cresc.

30 *allargando*

S.A.
 hope - that - the - pre - sent - has - brought.....
 path - thro' - the - blood - of - the - slaugh -
 wine - of - the - world - we - for - get

T./B.

Pno.
allargando

32 *ff* Tempo I

S.A.
 us Fac - ing - the - ri - sing -
 tered Out - from - the - gloom - y -
 Thee Shad - owed - be - neath - Thy -

T./B.
ff

Pno.
ff tremolo

34

S.A. sun - of - our - new - day - be -
 past, - Till - nox - we - stand - at -
 hand, - May - we - for - ev - er

T./B.

Pno. *sfz* Tremolo

36

S.A. gun Let - us - march - on - til - vic - to - ry - . . . is - won.
 last, Where - the - white - gleam - of - our - bright - star.... is - cast
 stand, True - to - our - God, - True - to - our - na - tive - land

T./B.

Pno.