

*Commissioned by the Noel Memorial United Methodist Church Chancel Choir,
in memory of Mrs. Harriett Crawford Middleton,
for her love and devotion to her God and to her church*

How Can I Keep from Singing (*My Life Flows on in Endless Song*)

SATB, Oboe, Violin, and Piano

Robert Lowry

Taylor Davis

$\text{♩} = 70$

Oboe

Violin

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

Piano

Instrumental parts [Oboe and Violin] available separately. Order No. MSM-50-2545A.

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899, and written in 1860 (PD).

Tune: *HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING*, Robert Lowry, 1826-1899, and written in 1860 (PD).

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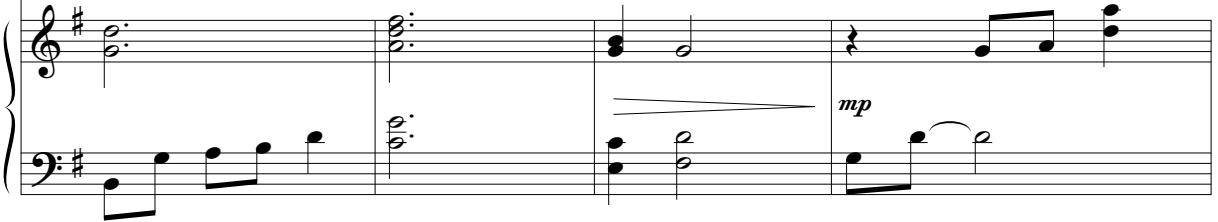
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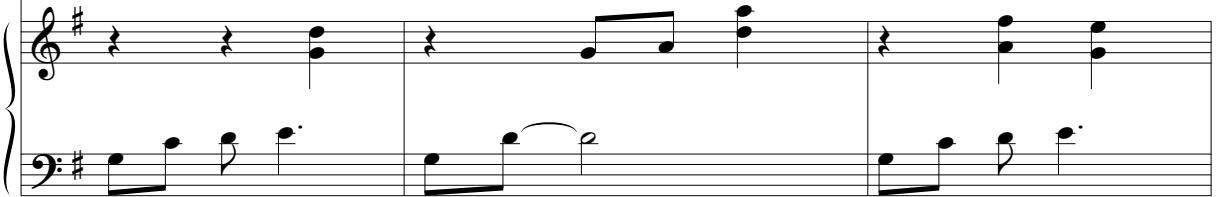
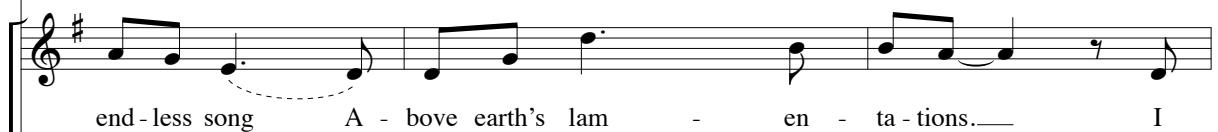
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*Unison**mp*

My life flows on in



10



13

hear the real, though far off hymn That hails a new cre - a - tion.— Through

17

all the tu - mult and the strife I hear its mu - sic

20

A musical score for piano and voice. The top two staves are for the piano, showing right-hand melodic lines and left-hand harmonic chords. The bottom staff is for the voice. The vocal line consists of eighth and sixteenth notes, with lyrics: "ring - ing. It sounds an e - cho in my soul; How". The piano accompaniment features sustained chords and eighth-note patterns.

The vocal line continues with lyrics: "can I keep from sing - ing?". The piano accompaniment includes dynamic markings "mp" (mezzo-forte) over specific chords. The bass line is present in the bottom staff.

46

heav'n and earth,
How can I keep from sing-ing, from sing-ing?
heav'n and earth,
How can I keep from sing-ing, from sing-ing?

49

rit.
mf
rit.
sing-ing, from sing-ing? When
from sing-ing, sing-ing? When
sing
rit.
f
rit.
from sing-ing, sing-ing, sing-ing? When
rit.

58

can I keep from sing - ing? In pris - on cells and
can I keep from sing - ing? In pris - on cells and
can I keep from sing - ing? Pris - on cells and
can I keep sing - ing? Pris - on cells and ff

61

dun-geon vile, Our thoughts to them are wing-ing, When
dun - geon vile, thoughts to them are wing - ing, When
dun - geon vile, thoughts to them are wing - ing, When
dun - geon vile, thoughts to them are wing - ing, When

64

friends by shame are un - de - filed,
friends by shame un - de - filed, How can I keep, How
friends by shame

68

Unison *mp*

How can I keep _____ from
can I keep,

Unison *mp*

How can I keep _____ from

mp