

Peace Be Unto This Congregation is a benediction anthem for the general church year that may be especially appropriate for Trinity Sunday. Congregational singing is encouraged through the inclusion of a reproducible songsheet on page 12. Suggested corresponding scripture readings include Psalm 122, Isaiah 44: 6, Romans 1: 1-7, 2 Corinthians 13: 11-4 and Philippians 4: 4-7. One basic homiletical theme is peace, good health and prosperity to the community of God's faithful people.

In worship, measures 77-104 may be performed as a prayer response or short benediction. Any of the following scriptural passages may be spoken prior to the performance of this benediction.

Psalm 122: 6-7

"Shalom!

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:

'May they prosper who love you.

Peace be within your walls and security within your palaces.

For the sake of the community of the people of God,

I say, 'Peace be with you.'

Shalom!"

2 Corinthians 13: 11, 14

"Farewell, people of God. Be of good cheer and of one mind.

Live in peace, and God's love and peace will be with you.

And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit

be with you all. Amen."

Philippians 4: 4-7

"Rejoice in the Lord always. Again, I say rejoice!

Let your gentleness be known to all, for the Lord is at hand.

Do not worry about anything,

but in everything, by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving,

let your requests be made known to God.

And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding,

will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

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PEACE BE UNTO THIS CONGREGATION

for S.A.B. voices, accompanied,
with opt. congregation*

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from texts by **CHARLES WESLEY** (1707-1788)
and **JOHN NEWTON** (1725-1807)

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Moderately (♩ = ca. 108-116)

SOPRANO
ALTO

BARITONE

ACCOMP.

Moderately (♩ = ca. 108-116)

mf

5 *mf*

Peace be un to this con - gre - ga - tion.

*Part for congregation may be found on page 12. Also available for S.A.T.B. voices, No. 20902, and unison or 2-part voices, No. 20904.

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Peace to ev - 'ry soul here - in.

13

Peace, which flows _____ from Christ's sal - va - tion.

17

Peace, re - peal - ing all our sin.

21

mf

May — the grace of Christ, our Sav - ior,

25

and the Fa - ther's love,

29

With the Ho - ly Spir - it's fa - vor,

33

guide us from a - bove.

37

rit.

39 (opt. congregation)
mf a tempo

Je - sus, with Your

rit. *a tempo*

41

pres - ence cheer us, as we trav - el,

45

47

as we roam. — Prince of peace, — be

49

ev - er near us, in — our heart — and

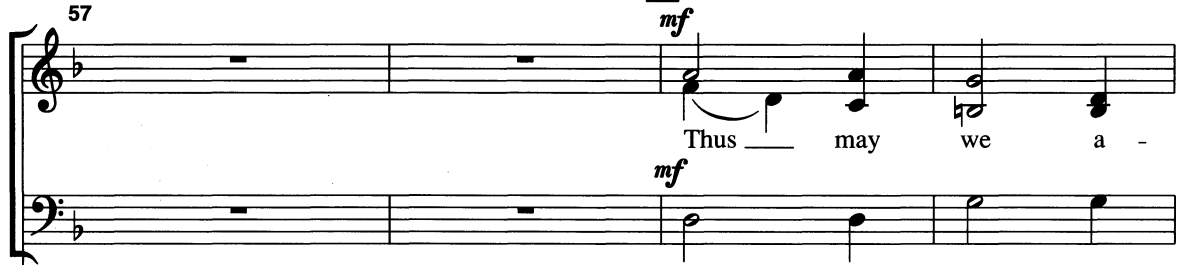
53

(congregation tacet)

in our home.

59

57 *mf* Thus may we a -

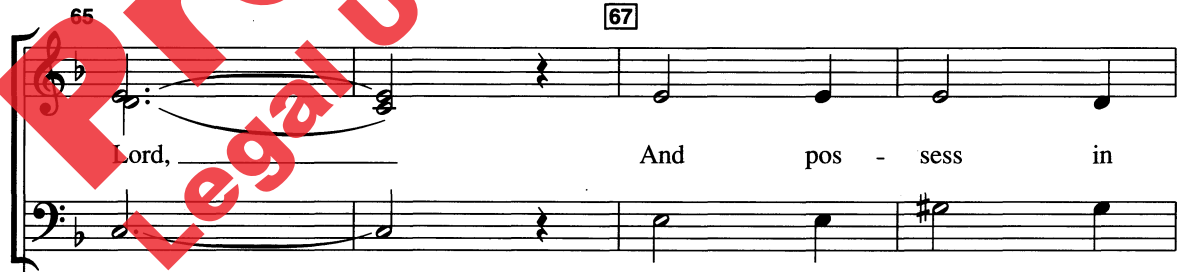


61 bide to - geth - er, as we know the



67

65 Lord, And pos - sess in



69

sweet com - mun - ion joys which earth can -

73

molto rit.

not af - ford.

molto rit. e cresc.

77 (opt. congregation)

f Broadly

Peace be un - to this con - gre - ga - tion.

f Broadly

81

Peace to ev - 'ry soul here - in.

85

Peace, which flows from Christ's sal - va - tion.

89

This He gave, our souls to save.

93

Peace, — re - deem - ing all our

97 (congregation tacet)

sin. A - men, A -

101 rit. to end

men, A - men.

decresc.

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for congregation

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Refrain: Peace be unto this congregation. Peace to every soul herein.
 (Choir only) Peace, which flows from Christ's salvation. Peace, redeeming all our sin.

Verse 1: May the grace of Christ, our Savior, and the Father's love,
 (Choir only) With the Holy Spirit's favor, guide us from above.

Refrain: Choir and Congregation

Je - sus, with _ Your pres - ence cheer us, as we trav - el
 as we roam. Prince of peace, — be ev - er
 near us, in our heart and in our home.

Verse 2: Thus may we abide together, as we know the Lord,
 (Choir only) And possess in sweet communion joys which earth cannot afford.

Refrain: Choir and Congregation

Peace be un - to this con - gre - ga - tion. Peace to ev - 'ry
 soul here - in. Peace, which flows - from Christ's sal - va - tion. This He
 gave, our souls to save. Peace, re - deem - ing all our sin.

Postlude: Amen, Amen, Amen.
 (Choir only)

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