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## Psalm 68 (A Great Host)

*A great host; a mighty throng; a vast and jubilant chorus of women bring the glad tidings!  
A multitude: a thousand, and ten thousand more; a glorious flock; a far flung company;  
a vast and jubilant chorus of women bring the glad tidings!*

Text adapted by Patricia Van Ness  
from *The Psalter,*  
*The Book of Common Prayer*

Music by Patricia Van Ness (1951)

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\*from *MUSIC FOR THE PSALMS*,  
dedicated in its entirety to Peter Sykes

$\text{♩} = 70$

*with joy*

Soprano 1

Soprano 2

Alto

Tenor

Bass

$\text{♩} = 70$

*mf with joy*

Organ

Pedals

**A**

**A**

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Van Ness, *Psalm 68 (A Great Host)***B****C**

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S. *mf* Might -

S. A great, *mf* a great, a great host; a might-y

A. *mf* A great, a great, a great host; a might-y

Org. { *B* *C*

Ped.

**D**

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S. *mf* *poco a poco crescendo* y might - y throng; vast (ju

S. *mf* *poco a poco crescendo* a mighty throng; a vast and ju - bi - lant, ju - bi - lant

A. *mf* *poco a poco crescendo* a mighty throng; a vast and ju - bi - lant, ju - bi - lant

T. *mf* *poco a poco crescendo* Vast ju - bi - lant

B. *mf* *poco a poco crescendo* Vast ju - bi - lant

Org. { *D* *mf* *poco a poco crescendo* *mf* *poco a poco crescendo*

Ped.

E

26

S. *f* ————— *poco a poco crescendo*

cho - rus wom en, wom en, cho -

S. *f* ————— *poco a poco crescendo*

cho - rus, cho - rus of wom en, of wom en, ju - bi - lant cho -

A. *f* ————— *poco a poco crescendo*

cho - rus, cho - rus of wom en, of wom en, ju - bi - lant cho -

T. *f* ————— *poco a poco crescendo*

cho - rus (en) (en) ju - bi - lant cho - rus

B. *f* ————— *poco a poco crescendo*

cho - rus (wom en) (wom en) ju - bi - lant (cho - )

E

Org. *f* ————— *poco a poco crescendo*

Ped. *f* ————— *poco a poco crescendo*

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F

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S. - rus,\_\_\_ wom en,\_\_\_\_\_ bring, bring, bring, bring

S. rus of wom en, bring, bring, bring, bring the glad,

A. - rus of wom en, bring, bring, bring the glad,

T. of wom en bring, bring, bring, bring the glad

B. cho-rus wom en bring, bring, bring, bring the glad

Org.

Ped.

40

**G**

S. ah glad tid- ings!

S. glad, glad (tid A mul - ti - tude: one thou - sand and\_ ten

A. glad (tid A mul - ti - tude: one thou - sand and\_ ten

T. 8 glad tid - ings!

B. glad (tid

**G**

Org.

Ped. molto dim. *mf*

Ped. molto dim. *mf*

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**H**

S. *mf* (glo flock, far (com vast

S. thou - sand more; a glo-ri-ous flock, a far flung com - pa - ny; a vast

A. thou - sand more; a glo-ri-ous flock, a far flung com - pa - ny; a vast

T. Vast

B. Vast

**H**

Org. *mf*

Ped. *mf*

**J**

56                    *poco a poco crescendo*                    **f**

S.                    (ju\_\_\_\_\_ cho - - rus\_\_\_\_ wom - en,\_\_\_\_\_

S.                    *poco a poco crescendo*                    **f**

S.                    and ju - bi - lant, ju - bi-lant cho - rus,\_\_\_\_ cho-rus of wom - en,\_\_\_\_ of

A.                    *poco a poco crescendo*                    **f**

A.                    and ju - bi - lant, ju - bi-lant cho - rus,\_\_\_\_ cho-rus of wom - en,\_\_\_\_ of

T.                    *poco a poco crescendo*                    **f**

T.                    ju - - bi - lant\_\_\_\_ cho - rus\_\_\_\_ (en\_\_\_\_ (en\_\_\_\_

B.                    *poco a poco crescendo*                    **f**

B.                    ju - - bi - lant\_\_\_\_ cho - rus\_\_\_\_ J(wom - en\_\_\_\_

Org.                  *poco a poco crescendo*                    **f**

Ped.                 *poco a poco crescendo*                    **f**

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63 *poco a poco crescendo*

S. **K** *ff*  
 wom - en, cho - rus, wom - en, bring, bring  
*poco a poco crescendo*  
 S. *ff*  
 wom-en, ju - bi - lant cho - rus of wom - en, bring, bring  
*poco a poco crescendo*  
 A. *ff*  
 wom-en, ju - bi - lant cho - rus of wom - en, bring, bring  
 T.  
 ju - bi - lant cho - rus of wom-en bring bring  
 B.  
 wom ju - bi - lant (cho\_ cho-rus wom-en **K** bring bring  
 Org. *poco a poco crescendo* *ff*  
 Ped. *poco a poco crescendo* *ff*

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S. bring, bring ah glad glad, ah

S. bring, bring the glad, glad, glad glad, glad,

A. bring the glad, glad glad, glad

T. bring the glad glad glad glad

B. bring bring the glad glad glad glad

Org.

Ped.

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S. — glad tid - ings! A - men.

S. glad glad tid - ings! A - men.

A. glad tid - ings! A - men.

T. 8 glad tid - ings! A - men, a - men.

B. glad glad tid - ings! A - men.

rit.

Org.

Ped.