

MUSIC FOR THE PSALMS

Psalm 83, May Doubts of Self Within

*May doubts of self within, stealers of my happiness,
float away on your breath like spiraling chaff,
like spiraling smoke from an unclean blaze.*

*For they wish to overtake me,
and conspire together and plan my harm.*

*My heart is still and rests in your promise:
"I will make free the fields and meadows of your joy,
and breathe away all doubt."*

Adapted by 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

♩ = 60

Soprano/Alto

May doubts of self with-in with-in, steal-ers of my

Organ

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S./A.

hap-pi-ness, float a-way on your breath, like spi-ral-ing chaff, like

Org.

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S./A.

spi-ral-ing smoke from an un-clean blaze. For

Org.

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S./A. they wish, they wish, to ov-er take, ov - - er-take me,

Org.

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S./A. and con-spire to-geth-er to- geth - er, and plan my harm, harm.

Org.

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S./A. My heart is still and rests rests in

Org.


A

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S./A. — your prom - ise: "I will make free the hills and mead-ows of your joy,

Org.

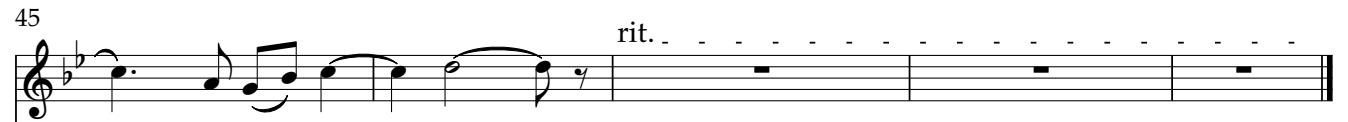
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S./A. 

and breathe, breathe a-way all doubt, and breathe, breathe

Org. 

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S./A. 

a-way all doubt." rit.

Org. 