

# Psalm 70 (Be Pleased to Deliver Me)\*

*Be pleased to deliver me; make haste to help me.  
Let those who seek my life be ashamed and be dismayed.  
I am poor and needy; come to me.  
You are my helper, and my deliverer.*

Music by Patricia Van Ness (1951)  
Score rev. 13 March 2018  
\*from *MUSIC FOR THE PSALMS*,  
dedicated in its entirety to Peter Sykes

Adapted from *The Psalter*,  
*The Book of Common Prayer*

Notes: use natural dynamics *mp-mf*;  
stagger breathing between parts throughout;  
bring out moving notes.

♩ = 60

*sempre molto legato; senza vibrato*

Soprano 1&2 (ee) (ee) be

Alto Be (ee) me, be

Tenor (ee) pleased to de - li - ver me, be

Bass Be be

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S. pleased to de - liv - er me, make haste to help

A. pleased to de - liv - er me, make make to help

T. (liv me, make haste to

B. make haste help

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S. me. those who seek my life be

A. me. Let seek my life be a -

T. me. Let those seek my life a -

B. me. who seek life be

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S. shamed, and be dis - mayed. **A**

A. - shamed, and be dis - mayed. I

T. - shamed, and dis - mayed.

B. shamed, and dis - mayed. I

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S. am and come, come, come to

A. poor (dee come, come, come to

T. poor poor and need - y, come, come, come

B. am come, come, come

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S. me. You you you you

A. me. You you you

T. me. You you you you

B. me. You you you you

47

S. you are my help - - -

A. you are my help

T. you are my help help -

B. you are help - - -

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S. - er, and my de - li - ver - er.

A. help - er, and my de - li - ver - er.

T. - - - er, and my (er.

B. - er, and my (er