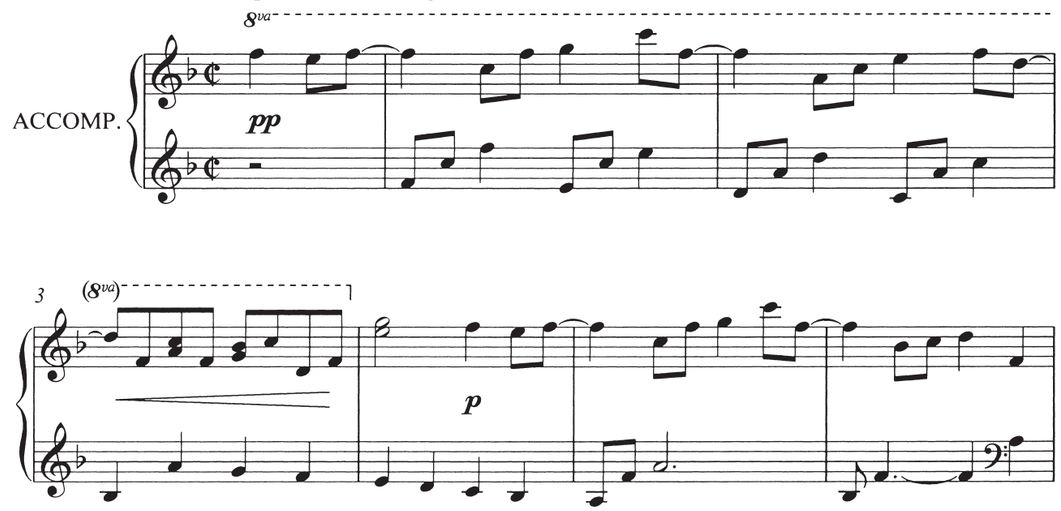
Dedicated to my friends at the Butler Showchoir Showcase,
Butler Community College, El Dorado, Kansas,
Valerie Lippoldt Mack, Director

WHY WE SING

for SATB voices, accompanied*

Words and Music by
GREG GILPIN (ASCAP)

Simply, with feeling (𝅗𝅥 = ca. 63)



Performance time: approx. 3:33

11

a sound of peace, a sound that cel - e - brates and

Gm7 F/A B♭ F/C

15

speaks what we be - lieve. A sound of love,

Gm7 Fsus/C C7/B♭ F/A

19

a sound so strong. It's a - maz - ing what is giv-

B♭ F/C Dm7 B♭2

98

cresc. al fine

This is

98

cresc. al fine

This is why we sing!

cresc. al fine

98 Am7 Am7/B Am7/C Dsus D Gsus/D G

cresc. al fine

102

molto rit.

ff

why, This is why we sing!

molto rit.

ff

We sing! We sing!

molto rit.

ff

102 C/G G C/G G

ff

23

poco rit.

(Solo)

S.A., *unis.*

26 *a tempo*

mp

- en when we share a song. This is why we

T.B., *unis.*

mp

23 F2/A F/B♭ Gm/B♭ Fsus/C F/A F Gm9

poco rit.

26 *a tempo*

mp

27

sing, why we lift our voice, why we stand as

27 Csus C7 Fsus(2) F C/D Dm7 Fsus/G

31

34

one in har - mo- ny. This is why we

31 Fsus/C F Gm7 F2/A F/A Dm7 Gm9

34

35

sing, why we lift our voice. Take my hand and

35 Csus C7 Fsus(2) F C/D Dm7 Fsus/G

39

sing with me. Soothe a soul,

mp

42

mp

Soothe a soul,

39 Fsus/C Fsus F 42 F

mp

43

mend a heart, bring to - geth-er lives that

mend a heart,

43 Gm7 F/A B♭ F/C

90

This is why we sing, why we lift our voice.

90

why we sing, why we lift our voice.

90 Am9 Csus C7 Gsus(2) G D/E Em7

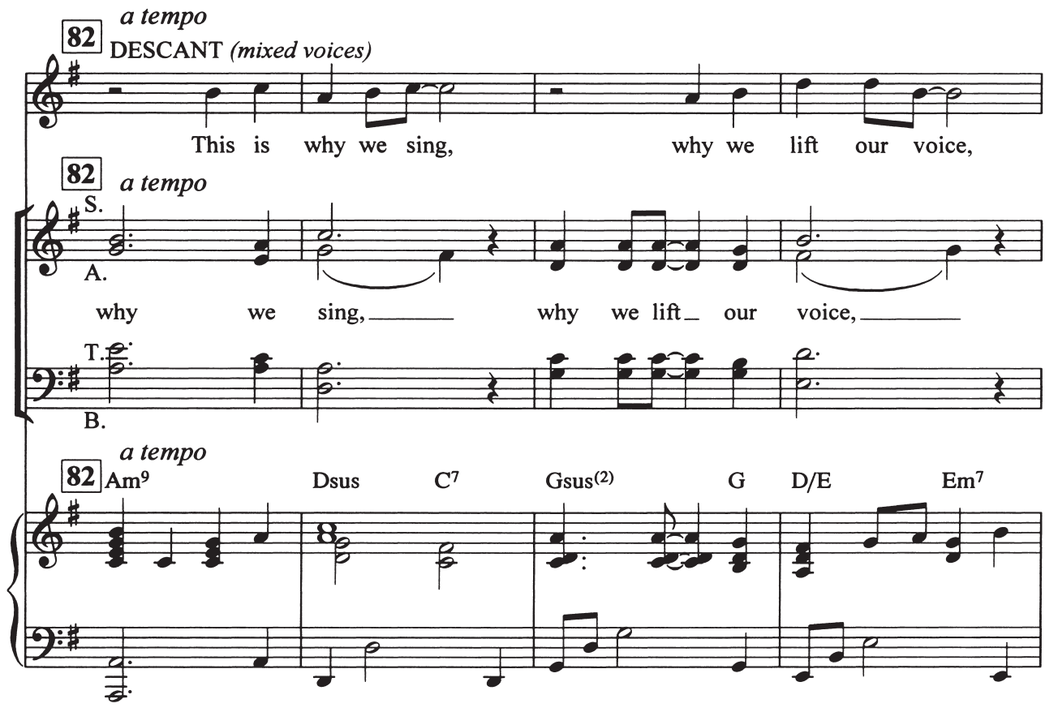
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Take my hand and sing with me.

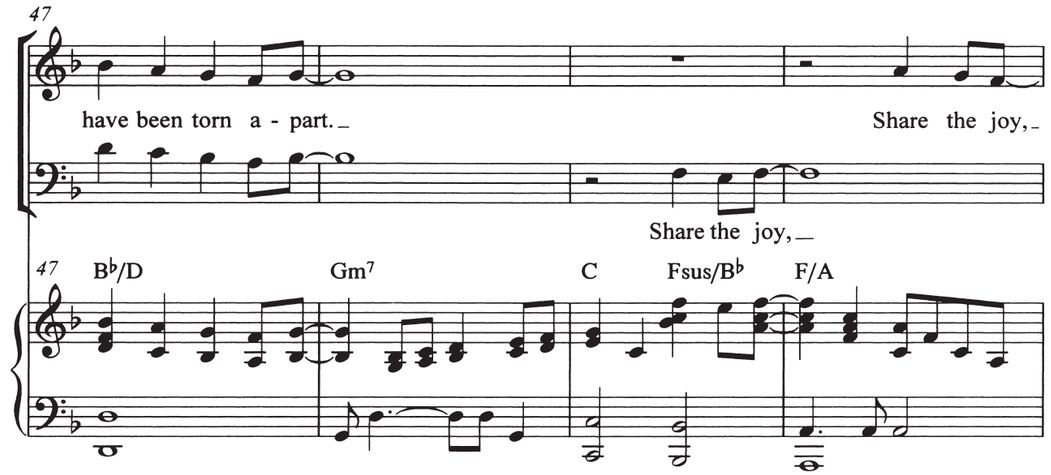
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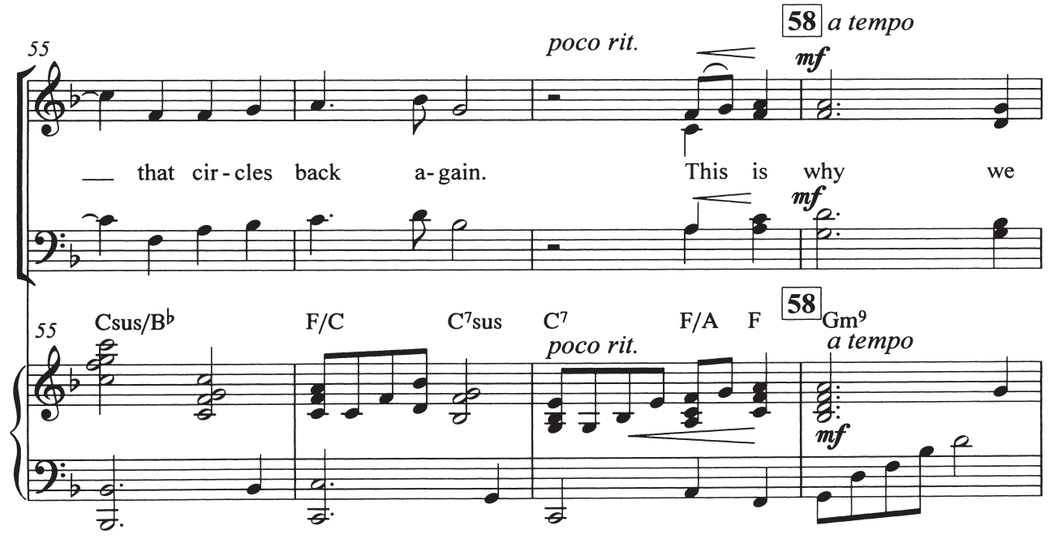
Take my hand and sing with me.

95 Am7 Em/A Dsus D D/E E D/E E


82 a tempo
DESCANT (mixed voices)
This is why we sing, why we lift our voice,
82 a tempo
S.
A.
why we sing, why we lift our voice,
T.
B.
82 a tempo
Am9 Dsus C7 Gsus(2) G D/E Em7


86
why we stand in, stand in har - mo- ny.
86
har - mo- ny.
why we stand as one in har - mo - ny. This is
87 Am7 C/D G2 G D/E G/B G


47
have been torn a - part. Share the joy,
Share the joy,
47 B♭/D Gm7 C Fsus/B♭ F/A
51
find a friend. It's a nev - er - end - ing gift
find a friend,
51 Fsus/B♭ F/A Fsus/B♭ Csus/A


55
poco rit.
58 a tempo
mf
that cir - cles back a - gain. This is why we
mf
55 Csus/B♭ F/C C7sus C7 F/A F
poco rit.
58 Gm9
a tempo
mf

59

sing, why we lift our voice, why we stand as

59 Csus C7 Fsus F Dm9 Dm7 Gm7

63

har - mo-ny.

one in har - mo - ny. This is why we

63 B♭/C F2 F C/D F/A F 66 Gm9

67

sing, why we lift our voice. Take my hand and

67 Csus C7 Fsus F C/D C7 Gm7 Gm9

71

74 *stronger and building throughout*

unis.

sing with me. Mu-sic builds a bridge,

unis.

stronger and building throughout

71 Csus Fsus/C Fsus F F/C Fsus F/A 74 Fsus/G

75

unis.

it can tear down a wall. Mu-sic is a lan-

unis.

unis.

75 F/A B♭ F/A F Fsus/G

3 3

79

molto rit.

f

- guage that can speak to one and all! This is

f

molto rit.

79 F/A Dsus D7 G/B Em7

f