

commissioned by Mädchenchor Hannover

Hymn of Hope

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(1830–1899)

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Calmly

Soprano I

Soprano II

Alto I

Alto II

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a tempo

Oh

Ah,

Oh

Ah,

Oh

Ah,

Oh

Ah,

mf espr.

f

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poco rit.

Calmly

Oh

Oh

ah.

Oh

ah.

pp

pp

pp

pp

*) oh ≈ as in 'Hope'

**) ah ≈ as in 'Must'

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un poco accel. e agitato

ff

Anxiously

Ah _____

Oh _____

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poco rit.

Calmly $\text{♩} = 50$

rit.

f > ***f*** >

pp

Oh _____

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Allegretto giocoso $\text{♩} = 84$

molto cantabile

f

Hope, hope is the thing with fea - - thers that per - - ches in the

f leggero *mf*

Hope, hope fea - thers hope, hope per - ches

f leggero *mf*

Hope, hope fea - thers, hope, hope per - ches

f leggero

Hope fea - - thers, hope, hope per - ches

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soul, and sings the tune_

in the soul, and sings the tune_

in the soul, and sings the tune with-

in the soul, and sings the tune, sings the tune with-

optional: Part of the choir to whistle along the singing
***)

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with-out the words, with-out the words, ***)dan da dan da dan da

with - out words, *) hmm ***)dan da dan da dan da

- out words, *) hmm ***)dan dan dan dan

- out words, *) hmm ***)dan dan dan dan

*) Sing 'Oo' but lightly close your lips.

**) Da, dan, dam, ba etc. ≈ as the vowel in 'done'.

***) Add an octave higher if needed.

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da _____ and nev - er stops at all.
f legato > *pp*

da _____ nev - er stops at *a (ll)-oh
f legato >
mf da-ba-dam da-ba-dam da-ba-dam and nev - er stops at all.
f legato > *pp*
dan, dam da-ba-dam da-ba - dam, and nev - ver stops at all. Oh,

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Oh, Ah Ah Ah
pp > *ff* > *f* > *pp* > *ff* > *f* >

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Ah And sweet-est in the gale is heard: Ah
f legatissimo > *mf* > *f* > *mf* > *f* > *f legatissimo* > *f* >
Ah
And sweet-est in the gale is heard: Ah

*) Make an inaudible change from 'all' to 'oh' leaving the consonants out.

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