

Prayer for the Great Family

For SAB Chorus and Piano

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from *Turtle Island* (1970)*

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Allegro maestoso ♩ = 120 *poco rit.* *f a tempo*

Soprano
Alto
Bass

Grat - i - tude to Moth-er Earth,

ff dim. poco a poco *poco rit.* *a tempo*

Piano

S.
A.
B.

sail-ing through night and day, and to her soil: rich, rare, and sweet____

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mf dim. *mp* *mf dim.* *mp* *mf dim.* *mp* *div.*

mf *mp*

Piu mosso $\text{♩} = 66$

11 *p molto legato e dolce* *poco rit.* *mp*

S. in our minds so be it. Grat - i - tude to

A. in our minds so be it. Grat - i - tude to

B. *unis. molto legato e dolce* in our minds so be it. Grat - i - tude to

16 *cresc.* *mf* *mp*

S. Plants, the sun - fac - ing light-chang-ing leaf _____ and fine root - hairs;

A. Plants, the sun - fac - ing light-chang-ing leaf _____ and fine root - hairs;

B. Plants, the sun - fac - light-light-chang-ing leaf _____ and fine root - hairs;

16 *cresc.* *mf dim.* *p cresc.*

20 *very gently*

S. stand - ing still through wind and rain; their dance is in the

A. stand - ing still through wind and rain; their dance is in the

B. *pp* Oo

20 *very gently*

mp

23 *poco rit.* *p espressivo* *a tempo*

S. flow - ing spir - al grain in our minds so be it.

A. flow - ing spir - al grain in our minds so be it.

B. in our minds so be it.

23 *poco rit.* *a tempo*

p

28 *mp*

S. Grat - i - tude to Air, bear-ing the soar - ing Swift

A. *mp* Grat - i - tude to Air, and the

B. *mp* Grat - i - tude to Air, and the

28 *mp*

32

S. *cresc.* Breath of our song

A. *cresc.* si - lent Owl at dawn. Breath of our song

B. *cresc.* si - lent Owl at dawn. Breath of our song

32

non arpeg.
p *sonore*

cresc.

35 *molto rit.* *mf* *pp espressivo* *a tempo*

S. clear spir - it breeze in our minds so be it.

A. clear spir - it breeze in our minds so be it.

B. clear spir - it breeze in our minds so be it.

35 *molto rit.* *mf* *a tempo* *p cresc.* *con pedale*

39 *mf*

S. Grat - i - tude to Wild Be-ings, our broth - ers, teach - ing se - crets,

A. Grat - i - tude to Wild Be-ings, our broth - ers, teach - ing se - crets,

B. Grat - i - tude to Wild Be-ings, our broth - ers, teach - ing se - crets,

39 *mf*

43

S. *mp*
free - doms, and ways; _____ who share with us their

A. *mp*
free - doms, and ways; _____ who share with us their

B. *mp*
free - doms, and ways; _____ who share with us their

43

sub. p

47

S. *cresc. poco a poco* *mf*
milk; _____ self - com - plete, _____ brave, and a -

A. *cresc. poco a poco*
milk; _____ self - com - plete, _____ brave, and a -

B. *cresc. poco a poco*
milk; _____ self - com - plete, _____ brave, and a -

47

cresc. poco a poco *mf*

51 *sub. p espressivo*

S. ware in our minds so be it.

A. ware in our minds so be it.

B. ware in our minds so be it.

56 **Andante fluidamente** $\text{♩} = 104$

p

S. Grat - i - tude to Wa - ter: clouds,

A. Grat - i - tude to Wa - ter: clouds,

B. Grat - i - tude to Wa - ter: clouds,

56 *p* *mp* *p*

61

S. lakes, riv - ers, gla - ciers; hold - ing or re - leas - ing;

A. lakes, riv - ers, gla - ciers; hold - ing or re - leas - ing;

B. lakes, riv - ers, gla - ciers; hold - ing or re - leas - ing;

66

S. stream - ing through all our bod - ies salt - y seas

A. stream - ing through all our bod - ies salt - y seas

B. stream - ing through all our bod - ies salt - y seas

71 *molto rit.* *a tempo* *p* **Allegro vivo** ♩ = 138

S. *p* in our minds so be it.

A. *p* in our minds so be it.

B. *p* in our minds so be it.

71 *molto rit.* *a tempo* *ff marcato*

75 *f marcato* *ff*

S. *f marcato* *ff* Grat - i - tude to the Sun: blind - ing puls - ing

A. *f marcato* *ff* Grat - i - tude to the Sun: blind - ing puls - ing

B. *f marcato* *ff* Grat - i - tude to the Sun: blind - ing puls - ing

75 *mf* *ff*

78

S. *mp* *p*
light through trunks of trees, through

A. *mp* *p*
light through trunks of trees, through

B. *mp* *p*
light through trunks of trees, through

78

mp *p*

81

S. *p*
mists, warm - ing caves where

A. *p*
mists, warm - ing caves where

B. *p*
mists, warm - ing caves where

81

p

84

S. bears and snakes sleep, he who

A. bears and snakes sleep, he who

B. bears and snakes sleep, he who

mf

87

S. wakes us, in our minds so be it.

A. wakes us, in our minds so be it.

B. wakes us, in our minds so be it.

f *mf* *dim.* *mp*

f *mf* *dim.* *mp*

f *mf* *dim.* *mp*

87

90 *non. ritard.* ***ff***

S. Grat - i - tude to the Great Sky _____ who holds

A. ***ff*** Grat - i - tude to the Great Sky _____ who holds

B. ***ff*** Grat - i - tude to the Great Sky _____ who holds

90 *non. ritard.* ***ff*** *brillante* *8va*

94 ***f*** *dim. poco a poco*

S. bil - lions of stars, _____ and goes yet be -

A. ***f*** *dim. poco a poco* bil - lions of stars, _____ and goes yet be -

B. *optional div.* *unis.* ***f*** *dim. poco a poco* bil - lions of stars, _____ and goes yet be -

94 ***f*** *dim. poco a poco*

97

S. *mf dim.*
yond that, _____ be - yond all pow - ers, and

A. *mf dim.*
yond that, _____ be - yond all pow - ers, and

B. *mf dim.*
yond that, _____ be - yond all pow - ers, and

97

mf dim.

100

S. *mp dim. poco a poco*
thoughts _____ and yet is with - in us,

A. *mp dim. poco a poco*
thoughts _____ and yet is with - in us,

B. *mp dim. poco a poco*
thoughts _____ and yet is with - in us,

100

mp dim. poco a poco

103 *p cresc. poco a poco*

S. Grand - fa - ther Space. Grand - fa - ther

A. *p cresc. poco a poco* Grand - fa - ther Space. Grand - fa - ther

B. *mp cresc. poco a poco* Grand - fa - ther Space. Grand - fa - ther

106 *f*

S. Space. The Mind is his Wife.

A. *f* Space. The Mind is his Wife.

B. *f* Space. The Mind is his Wife.

110 *con forza* *piu f* **Maestoso** ♩ = 120 *p*

S. The Mind is his Wife. *so*

A. The Mind is his Wife. *so*

B. The Mind is his Wife. *so*

con forza *p*

116 *molto allarg.*

S. *be* *it.*

A. *be* *it.*

B. *be* *it.*

molto allarg.

116