

commissioned by the Oulainen Youth Choir, Finland, on the occasion of their 30th anniversary
and dedicated to the choir and its conductor Tapani Tirilä

The Circle of Days

for SSA choir and piano, with optional string quartet

music: David Hamilton (2002)

text: Reeve Lindbergh

(based on 'Canticle of the Sun' by St Francis of Assisi)

♩ = 144 (Joyfully and very rhythmically)

Solo voice

f Lord we offer thanks and praise for the circle of our days.



Solo

Vln I pizz. *f*

Vln II pizz. *f* arco pizz. *f*

Vla pizz. *f* arco pizz. *f*

Vc pizz. *f* arco pizz. *f*

Pno *f*

11

S.1 *f* Lord we-fer thanks and praise for the cir- cle of

S.2 *f* Lord we-fer thanks and praise for the cir- cle of

A. *f* Lord we-fer thanks and praise for the cir- cle of

Vln I arco *f*

Vln II arco *f*

Vla arco *f*

Vc. *f*

Pno *f*

16

S.1 our days. *mf* Lord

S.2 our days. *mf* Lord

A. our days. *mf* Lord

Vln I pizz. *f* arco

Vln II pizz. *f* arco

Vla pizz. *f* arco

Vc. arco pizz. *f*

Pno *mf*

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S.1
we of- fer thanks and praise for the cir- cle of our days.

S.2
we of- fer thanks and praise for the cir- cle of our days.

A.
we of- fer thanks and praise for the cir- cle of our days.

Vln I
f pizz.

Vln II
f pizz.

Vla
f pizz.

Vc.

Pno



26

S.1

S.2

A.

Vln I
f arco

Vln II
f arco

Vla
f arco

Vc.
f

Pno

31

S.1 *f* Praise for ra- diant bro- ther sun.

S.2 *f* Praise for ra- diant bro- ther, bro- ther

A. *f* Praise for ra- diant bro- ther, bro- ther

Vln I *f*

Vln II *f*

Vla *f*

Vc. arco pizz. *f*

Pno *f*

36

S.1 — who makes the hours a- round us run round us run.

S.2 sun who makes the hours a- round us run round us run.

A. sun who makes the hours a- round us run round us run.

Vln I pizz. arco

Vln II pizz. arco

Vla pizz. arco

Vc.

Pno

41

S.1 *mp* For sis- ter moon and for the stars bri-

S.2 *mp* For sis- ter moon and for and for the stars bri-

A. *mp* For sis- ter moon and for and for the stars bri-

Vln I *pizz.*

Vln II *pizz.*

Vla *pizz.*

Vc.

Pno *8va*
leggiere

46

S.1 *cresc.*
liant pre- cious al- ways ours, al- ways ours

S.2 *cresc.*
liant pre- cious al- ways ours, al- ways ours

A. *cresc.*
liant pre- cious al- ways ours, al- ways ours

Vln I *arco*

Vln II *arco*

Vla *arco*

Vc.

Pno *(8)*
cresc.

51

S.1 al- ways ours.

S.2 al- ways ours.

A. al- ways ours.

Vln I sul pont.

Vln II arco sul pont.

Vla sul pont.

Vc.

Pno sim.



56

S.1 Praise for bro- thers wind

S.2 Praise praise

A. Praise

Vln I mf f

Vln II mf f

Vla mf f

Vc. arco pizz. arco f

Pno (RH over) f

61

S.1 and air and air se- rene or clou- dy foul or fair,

S.2 for bro- thers wind and air se- rene or clou- dy foul or fair,

A. praise for bro- thers wind and air se- rene or clou- dy foul or fair,

Vln I *f*

Vln II *f*

Vla pizz.

Vc. pizz.

Pno *f*

Ped.



66

S.1 foul or fair. *p* For sis- ter wa- ter pure

S.2 foul or fair. *p* For sis- ter wa- ter pure

A. foul or fair. *p* For sis- ter wa- ter pure

Vln I *p*

Vln II *p*

Vla arco

Vc.

Pno *p*

Ped.

71

S.1
and chaste *mp* use- ful hum- ble good to taste, *mf* good to

S.2
and, pure and chaste *mp* use- ful hum- ble good to taste, *mf* good to

A.
and, pure and chaste *mp* use- ful hum- ble good to taste, *mf* good to

Vln I
pizz. *mf*

Vln II
pizz. *mf*

Vla
pizz. *mf*

Vc.
arco *mf*

Pno
_____ | *Ped.* | *sim.*

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S.1
taste _____ good to taste.

S.2
taste _____ good to taste.

A.
taste _____ good to taste.

Vln I
arco *cresc.*

Vln II
arco *cresc.*

Vla
arco *cresc.*

Vc.
cresc.

Pno
cresc.