

Cheer up, friends

Easter anthem for SATB choir and Piano or Organ

Text: N.S.T. (Oxford Book of Carols)

Music: Michael Capon

Broadly ♩ = 98 **With Energy** ♩ = 126

Soprano Alto
Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia!

Tenor Bass

Keyboard*
Gt. *f* *marcato*
(Man.) (Ped.)

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20 Unison *f marcato*
Cheer up, friends and neigh - bours, now it's East - er - tide; stop from

*Performance note: For **piano** accompaniment, bass notes may be doubled as desired. Right hand may play 8va from bar 37 to 60. For **organ** accompaniment, pedal octaves may be shifted for convenience and texture, left hand may play bottom note(s) of right-hand chords and cue-notes.

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end - less la - bours, wor - ries put a - side: we should rise from sad - ness, e - vil,

31

fol - ly, strife, when God's might - y glad - ness brings the earth to life. Sw. *mf* -Gt./Ped.

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←(Piano RH 8va ad lib)

Out from snow - drifts chill - y, roused from drow - sy hours, Blue - bell

44

mf

Out from snow - drifts chill - y, roused from drow - sy hours, Blue - bell

49

wakes, and Li - ly; God calls up the flowers! In - to life God rais - es all the

54

sleep - ing buds; — me - dows weave God's prais - es, and the spang - led woods.

(loco)
(Reduce)

61

Soprano, Alto *mp legato*

All this truth and beau - ty, all this

mp legato
s.
(Man.)

Cheer up, friends

69

right - eous - ness, are our joy and du - ty, bear - ing God's im - press.

(Ped.)

77

mf

Look! The earth waits breath - less af - ter win - ter's

mf

(Man.)

84

cresc. rit..... *f* a tempo

strife; East - er shows us death - less, Spring leads death to life.

(Add) *cresc.* *f marcato* Gt.

+Gt./Ped. (Ped.)

91

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Soprano, Tenor *f*

Alto, Bass *f*

Change - less, change - less all the days; —

Ours the more and less is, change - less all the days; God re -

104

bless - es like the sun - light rays. — 'Christ is ris - en,' East - er

-vives and bless - es like the sun - light rays. 'Je - sus Christ is ris - en,' East - er

109

bells do ring. While from out their pris - on burst the flowers of

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115

Soprano, Alto

Tenor, Bass

Spring, of Spring!

Spring, burst the flowers of Spring!

(Add)

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rit. **ff**

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(Man.) **ff** (Ped.)