

William Byrd

(c. 1539 – 1623)

Hæc dies

Haec dies quam fecit Dominus:
exultemus et laetemur in ea, alleluya.

This is the day which the Lord hath made:



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Psalm 117: 24

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The musical score consists of two systems of music. The first system (measures 2-4) features six voices: Superius [Sop. 1], Medius [Sop. 2], Contratenor [Alto], Tenor [Tenor 1], Sextus [Tenor 2], and Bassus. The second system (measures 5-9) features five voices: S.1, S.2, A., T.1, and T.2. The lyrics are in Latin, and measure numbers 2 through 9 are indicated above the staff.

Measures 2-4:

- Superius [Sop. 1]:** Starts with a long note, followed by a eighth note, then a sixteenth-note pattern.
- Medius [Sop. 2]:** Starts with a long note, followed by a eighth note, then rests.
- Contratenor [Alto]:** Starts with a long note, followed by a eighth note, then a sixteenth-note pattern.
- Tenor [Tenor 1]:** Starts with a long note, followed by a eighth note, then rests.
- Sextus [Tenor 2]:** Starts with a long note, followed by a eighth note, then rests.
- Bassus:** Starts with a long note, followed by a eighth note, then rests.

Measures 5-9:

- S.1:** Starts with a eighth note, followed by a sixteenth-note pattern, then a eighth note, then a eighth note.
- S.2:** Starts with a eighth note, followed by a sixteenth-note pattern, then a eighth note, then a eighth note.
- A.:** Starts with a eighth note, followed by a eighth note, then a eighth note, then a eighth note.
- T.1:** Starts with a eighth note, followed by a sixteenth-note pattern, then a eighth note, then a eighth note.
- T.2:** Starts with a eighth note, followed by a eighth note, then rests, then a eighth note.
- Bass:** Starts with a eighth note, followed by a eighth note, then rests, then a eighth note.

10 11 12 13 14

S.1 S.2 A. T.1 T.2 Bass

di - - es quam fe - cit Do - mi - nus,
hæc di - - es quam fe - cit Do - mi -
nus, quam fe - cit Do - mi - nus, hæc di - -
fe - cit Do - - mi - nus, hæc di - - es
- es quam fe - cit Do - mi - nus, Do - mi - nus, hæc di - -
- es quam fe - cit Do - mi - nus, quam fe - cit Do - mi - nus, Hæc

15 16 17 18 19

S.1 S.2 A. T.1 T.2 Bass

quam fe - cit Do - mi - nus, quam fe - cit Do - mi - nus, quam
- nus, quam fe - cit Do - mi - nus, quam fe - cit Do - mi
- es quam fe - cit Do - mi - nus, quam fe - -
quam fe - cit Do - mi - nus, quam fe - cit Do - mi - nus, quam fe - cit
- es quam fe - cit Do - mi - nus, quam fe - cit Do - mi - nus, quam fe -
di - - es quam fe - cit Do - mi - nus, quam fe - cit Do - mi - nus, quam fe - cit Do - mi - nus,

20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

S.1 fe-cit Do - mi - nus. Ex - ul - te - mus, ex - ul - te - mus
 S.2 nus, Do - mi - nus. Ex - ul - te - mus et læ-te-mur
 A. cit Do - mi - nus. Ex - ul - te - mus et læ-te-mur,
 T.1 Do - mi-nus, Do - mi - nus. Ex - ul - te - mus, ex - ul - te - mus et læ-te-mur,
 T.2 - cit Do - mi - nus. Ex - ul - te - mus et læ-te-mur,
 Bass quam fe-cit Do - mi - nus, Ex - ul - te - mus

28 29 30 31 32 33 34

S.1 et læ-te-mur in e - - - a. Ex - ul - te - mus, ex - ul -
 S.2 - - - Ex - - - ul - te - mus
 A. et læ-te - mur, et læ-te - mur in e - - a. Ex-ul-te - mus, ex-ul-te - mus,
 T.1 - - - et læ-te - mur, in e - - a. Ex-ul-te-mus, ex-ul-te - mus et læ-te - mur,
 T.2 - - - et læ-te - mur, et læ-te - mur in e - - a. Ex - - - ul - te - mus
 Bass et læ-te - mur, Ex - - - ul - te - - mus, ex - - - ul -

35 36 37 38 39 40

S.1 S.2 A. T.1 T.2 Bass

te - mus et læ-te-mur in e - a, et læ-te - mur in e -
et læ-te-mur et læ-te - mur, et læ-te - mur in e -
ex-ul-te - mus et læ-te-mur, et læ-te-mur, et læ-te - mur in e - a, in
et læ-te-mur, et et læ-te - mur, et læ-te - mur, et læ-te - mur in e -
et læ-te-mur, et et læ-te - mur in e - a, ____
te - mus et læ-te-mur, et læ-te - mur in e -

41 42 43 44 45 46

S.1 S.2 A. T.1 T.2 Bass

- a. Al - le - lu - i - a, al - le - lu -
- - a. Al - le - lu - - ia,
e - - a. Al - le - lu - i - a,
- a, in e - a. Al - le - lu - i - a,
- a. in e - a. Al - le - lu - i - -
- - a,

47 48 49 50 51 52

S.1 ia,
S.2 al - le - lu - i - a,
A. al - le - lu - i - a,
T.1 al - le - lu - i - a,
T.2 - a,
Bass Al - le - lu - i - a,

53 54 55 56 57 58

S.1 - le - lu - i - a, al - le - lu - i - a,
S.2 — al - le - lu - i - a, al -
A. — al - le - lu - i - a,
T.1 — al - le - lu - i - a,
T.2 - lu - i - a, al - le - lu -
Bass al - le - lu - i - a, al - le -

59 60 61 62 63 64

S.1 { al - le - lu - i - a, al - le -
S.2 - le - lu - ia,
A. al - le - lu - i - a, al - le - lu - i - a, al - le - lu - i -
T.1 { 8 al - le - lu - i - a, al - le - lu - i - a,
T.2 { 8 - i - - - a, al - le - lu - i - a, al - le - lu - i -
Bass - lu - i - a, al - le - lu - i -

65 66 67 68 69 70

S.1 { lu - ia, al - le-lui-ia, al - le - lu - i - a, al - le - lu - i -
S.2 { al - le - lu - i - a, al - le - lu - i -
A. - a, al - le - lu - i - - a,
T.1 { 8 al - le - lu - i - a, al - le - lu - i - a,
T.2 { 8 a, al - le - lu - i - a, al - le -
Bass - a, al - le - lu - i - a,

71 72 73 74 75

S.1
a,
al - le - lu - i - a, al - le - lu - i - a,

S.2
- a,
al - le - lu - i -

A.
al - le - lu - i - a,
al - le -

T.1
—
al - le - lu - i - a,

T.2
-lu - i - a,
al - le - lu - i - a,

Bass
al - le - lu - i - a,
al - le -

76 77 78 79 80

S.1
al - le - lu - i - a, al - le - lu - - ia.

S.2
- a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - i - a.

A.
lu - i - a, al - le - lu - i - - a.

T.1
—, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - i - a.

T.2
—, al - - - le - lu - - ia.

Bass
-lu - i - - a, al - le - lu - - ia.

We dedicate this new edition to Darcy Elizabeth Crum and Ryan Dean Meadows on the occasion of their celebration of the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony, August 16th, 2008.