

Performance Notes

In 1980, the Notre Dame Folk Choir began its work singing at Notre Dame's Basilica of the Sacred Heart. About halfway through that history, we started singing simple mantras before each of our Sunday liturgical celebrations. Some of them are well-known to people who use music of the choir – titles like “Be Still, and Know That I Am God,” “Crux Fidelis,” and “All Will Be Well.”

This composition comes from the same family. Its text is inspired by three unique sources: the Book of Wisdom, the writings of Thomas Merton, and the exhortation of Dante Alighieri (from whom we get the marvelous quote “In God's will is our peace”). These mantras are an integral part of our prayer as a choir. Entering the gallery on a Sunday morning, we don't just “flip the switch” and sing the opening hymn; rather, we get ready to pray and praise God. Repetitive song helps us prepare our hearts for the mystery that follows. “Tune My Heart” is appropriate for use during most of the liturgical year, especially as preparation for prayer. It can also be used for celebrations of missioning, vows, ordinations, and service to the people of God.

SAMPLE

For Jessica Mannen and the members of the 2009-2010 University of Notre Dame Folk Choir

TUNE MY HEART ACCORDING TO YOUR WILL

SATB Choir, Cantor, Assembly, Oboe or C Instrument, Guitar, Keyboard

Steven C. Warner

VERSES

Cantor *f*

1. Send your wis - dom in my heart, that

Cantor *f*

2. With - in my in - most be - ing you in - vite my —

Cantor *f*

3. I am your word; may I re - spond to you. May my

Cantor *f*

4. For you a - lone, you oc - cu - py my life. May your

OSTINATO REFRAIN

Choir/Assembly

mf

S.A.

Tune — my — heart ac - cord - ing to your will. — Oh, —

T.B.

mf

D Em7/D D G D/A A

mf

mf

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1. she may be with me and work in me! For

2. soul to let go of fa - mil - iar, con - sent to be made

3. life an - swer you; may I res - o - nate with you. For

4. love act in me, in ev - ry - thing I do. Come, trans -

Tune my heart ac - cord - ing to your will. O

Tune my heart ac - cord - ing to your will. O

F#m G/D Bm7 E E/G# Asus A

Tune my heart ac - cord - ing to your will. O

STANDARD

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 1. in God's will, in God's will is our peace.

2. new. For in God's will, in God's will is our peace.

3. in God's will, in God's will is our peace.

4. form me, Lord, wholly according to your will.

Lord! Tune my heart wholly according to your will. (☺) Last time

(☺) Last time

Bm D/F# D G F#m D Em G A sus2,4 A (☺) Last time

(☺) Last time

(☺) Last time

SAMPLE