

That Thing Within

music by
Stacey V. Gibbs

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About the arranger

Stacey V. Gibbs is a prolific and highly sought-after composer, arranger and clinician. Best known for arrangements of spirituals, he is highly acclaimed for his ability to infuse new energy into familiar works without sacrificing their authenticity or power.

Maestro Gibbs' spirituals have been commissioned and performed by the King's Singers of England, United States Air Force Sergeants, The St. Olaf Choir, the Stellenbosch Choir of South Africa, the University of Southern California Chamber Singers, The Princeton



Glee Club, Morehouse & the University of Michigan Glee Clubs, the Wartburg Choir, The Nairobi Chamber Singers, Cantus, Chanticleer and many other college, university, high school and professional ensembles both domestically and internationally. His music has been programmed at all state festivals, National Association of Music Educators (MENC) Festivals, the World Choir Games and regional and national American Choral Directors Association (ACDA) Conventions.

He currently has over 200 published arrangements available for SATB, SSAA and TTBB voices. His music was featured at the 57th Inaugural Service for President Obama and family.

Maestro Gibbs' made his conducting debut at Carnegie Hall in 2017. His medley of spirituals was performed by Choir of the World Winner Oakwood Aeolians and American Idol winner Reuben Studdard.

His arrangement of Go, Tell It on the Mountain, performed by True Accord, peaked at #5 on Billboard Classical and #1 on Amazon Classical Music in December 2019.

In December 2020, his music was performed by the Mangate Ensemble and was broadcast on NBC Television in all major markets.

Mr. Gibbs serves as clinician (nationally and internationally) for university, high school, professional and church choral ensembles. A management professional with 20 years experience, Mr. Gibbs holds membership in ACDA and currently resides in Detroit, Michigan.

Ranges





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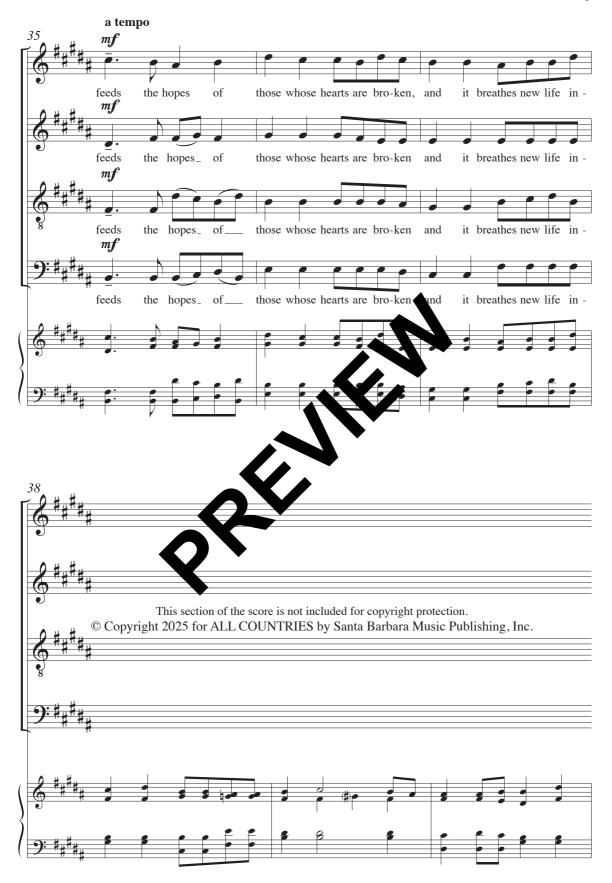






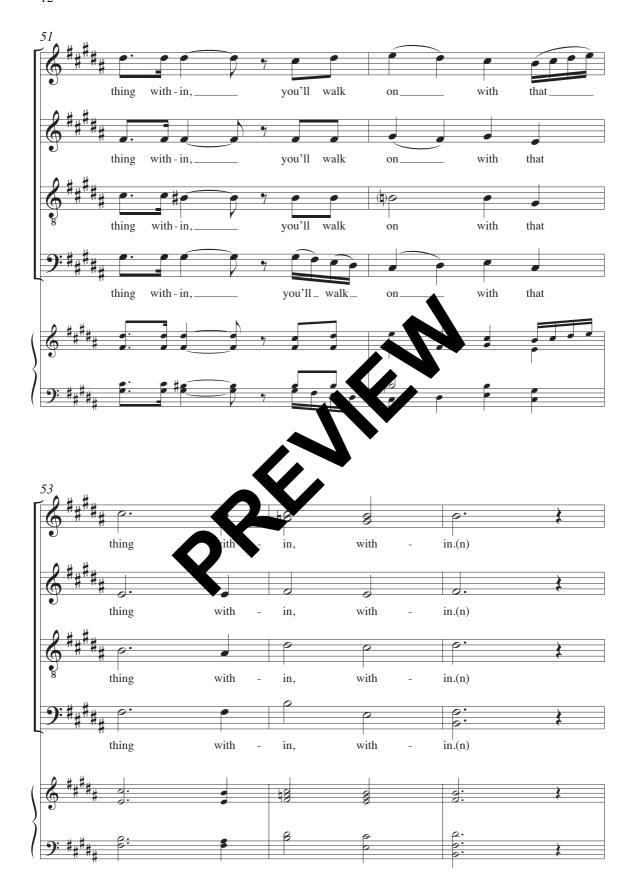


















^{*}One or two voices

That Thing Within

That thing within that makes you give Is a spirit and a heart of purest gold
That thing within that makes you live In a place where you will never grow old
That thing within that makes you care
For the children who are lost in deep despair
That thing within that makes you love Reaches out to people everywhere

And it feeds the hopes Of those whose hearts are broken And it breathes new life into their dreams unspoken It shines a light all around to those broken down And it says to them, "there's a brighter day"

That thing within that makes you see
Far beyond the scope and reach of human eyes
That thing within that makes you be
More than what you ever dreamed or realized

For it feeds the hopes of those whose hearts are broken
And it breathes new life into their dreams unspoken
And should the clouds descend beyond the rainbow's end
You'll stand tall with that thing within You'll walk on with that thing within
And should the clouds descend beyond the rainbow's end
You'll still live with that thing within
You'll still give from that thing within

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