

Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit (with "Walk Together, Children")

Traditional Spiritual

Arranged by Allen Koepke

Choir 1

With rhythmic enthusiasm $J=100$

mp Alto only, first time

S
A

Measures 1-3 of the Alto part (Soprano 1) in 4/4 time. The vocal line consists of eighth-note patterns. The lyrics are: "Spir-it, I feel the spir-it, mov-in' in my heart, O Lord, I will". The dynamic is *mp*. The instruction "Alto only, first time" is written above the staff.

T
B

TB enter on repeat

Measures 4-6 of the Soprano 2 part (Soprano 2) in 4/4 time. The vocal line consists of eighth-note patterns. The lyrics are: "pray, Feel the pray, Feel the Spir-it, I feel the". The dynamics are *mf* and *mf*. The instruction "TB enter on repeat" is written below the staff.

Measures 7-9 of the Bass part (Bass) in 4/4 time. The vocal line consists of eighth-note patterns. The lyrics are: "spir-it mov-in' in my heart, I will pray. Yes ev'-ry spir-it, mov-in' in my heart, O Lord, I will pray. Feel the". The dynamic is *f*.

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time I feel the spir - it mov - in' in my heart, I will

10 Spir-it, I feel the spir-it, mov - in' in my heart, O Lord, I will

13 *mp, mf*
pray. My Lord spoke, my Lord spoke up - on the moun - tains.

pray. My Lord spoke, my Lord spoke up - on the moun - tains.

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16 My Lord spoke, my Lord spoke up - on the moun - tains. My Lord spoke with fire and

moun - tains my Lord spoke, out of his mouth came fire and

19 *f*
smoke. An' all a - roun' me look - in' so shine,* ask - a my

smoke. An' all a - roun', all a - roun' look - in' so shine,*

* Original lyric uses "shine"; other editions use "fine" - your choice.

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Lord if all was mine. Ev - 'ry time I _____ feel the Spir-it, I _____ feel the Ask - a my Lord if all was mine.

25

spir - it mov - in' in my heart, I will pray. Yes ev - 'ry
 spir - it, mov - in' in my heart, O Lord, I _____ will pray. Feel the
 spir - it, mov - in' in my heart, O Lord, I _____ will pray.

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time I _____ feel the spir - it mov - in' in my heart, I will
 Spir - it, I _____ feel the spir - it, mov - in' in my heart, O Lord, I _____ will
 Spir - it, I _____ feel the spir - it, mov - in' in my heart, O Lord, I _____ will
 Spir - it, I _____ feel the spir - it, mov - in' in my heart, O Lord, I _____ will

31

pray. mp, mf. Walk, walk to - geth - er don't get wear - y chil - dren,
 pray. Walk, walk to - geth - er don't get wear - y chil - dren.

Choir 1 (*sung as accompaniment to Choir 2 through m. 48*)

A musical score page showing two staves of music. The top staff is for the treble clef voice, and the bottom staff is for the bass clef voice. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The time signature is common time (indicated by 'C'). Measure 34 starts with a dynamic of 'mp'. The lyrics 'Walk, walk together' are written below the notes. The vocal line consists of eighth-note chords and sixteenth-note patterns. The bass line provides harmonic support with sustained notes and eighth-note chords.

Choir 2 (SSA or SAT)

mf

Walk to - geth - er, chil - dren, don't you get wear-y, Walk to - geth - er, chil - dren,

mf

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don't get wear-y, Lord, Talk, talk to - geth - er, don't get wear-y, there's a
 don't you get wear-y. Talk to - geth - er, chil - dren, don't you get wear-y, there's a

40

great camp meet-ing in the Prom - ised Land.
Mourn, nev - er tire, gon-na,
great camp meet-ing in the Prom - ised Land.
Gon-na mourn and nev-er

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gon - na mourn and nev - er,
tire,
gon - na mourn and nev - er tire,
mourn and nev-er,
tire.

bend

Mourn and nev - er
tire.

bend

46

nev - er tire, yes I'll mourn and nev - er tire, great camp meet - ing in the
 Mourn_ and nev-er tire. There's a great camp meet-ing in the

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1. Prom - ised Land.
 2. Ev - 'ry time I _____ feel the
 Prom - ised Land. Feel the Spir-it, I _____ feel the
 Prom - ised Land. Gon-na Prom - ised Land.
 I feel the spir - it, f unis.

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spir - it mov - in' in my heart, I will pray. Yes ev 'ry
 spir-it, mov - in' in my heart, O Lord, I will pray. Feel the
 I feel the spi-rit in my heart, I will pray.

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time I feel the spir - it mov - in' in my heart, I will
 55 Spir-it, I feel the spir-it, mov - in' in my heart, O Lord, I will
 I feel the spir - it, I feel the spir-it in my heart, I will

58

pray.

Riv - er's cold, the Jor - dan Riv - er is chill - y, Jor - dan

pray.

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Riv - er's cold, the Jor - dan Riv - er is chill - y, Chill de bo - dy, not de
Riv - er chill - y, cold, chill - a - de bo - dy but not de

Singto - geth-er, chil - dren, don't you get wear-y, sing to - geth-er, chil - dren,

64

soul.
An' all a - roun'
me
look - in' so shine,
ask - a my soul...
An' all a - roun', all a - roun'
look - in' so shine,
don't you get wear-y.
Stand to - geth - er, chil - dren,
don't you get wear-y, there's a

67

Ev - 'ry time I feel the
Lord if all was mine, all mine. Feel the Spir-it, I feel the
Ask - a my Lord if all was mine, all mine.

great camp meet - ing in the Prom - ised Land. I feel the Spir - it,

10

spir - it mov - in' in my heart,

I will pray.

Yes ev - ry

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spir - it mov - in' in my heart,
spir - it, mov - in' in my heart, O Lord, I will pray.

I feel the Spir-it in my heart, I will pray.

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time I feel the spir - it mov - in' in my heart, I will

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Spir-it, I feel the spir-it, mov - in' in my heart, O Lord, I will

I feel the Spir - it, I feel the Spir-it in my heart, I will

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pray.

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Spir-it,

the spir-it's in my heart, O Lord,

talk to - geth - er chil - dren,

we'll standto - geth - er

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ff *molto rit.* *ten.* *fff* *opt. 8*

Alto div.

I will pray.

Alto div.

ff *ten.* *fff* *Bass div.*

molto rit. *ten.* *fff*

Lord I will pray.

ff *ten.* *fff*

I will pray!

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About the arranger: Allen Koepke (b. 1939) has been active as a choral conductor and composer in Iowa for the past forty years. A graduate of Luther College, Decorah, Iowa with an M.A. from the University of Northern Iowa, Allen is Professor Emeritus of Choral Music at Kirkwood Community College in Cedar Rapids where he was awarded the "1996 Iowa Professor of the Year" by the Carnegie Institute. He currently spends much of his time as a clinician, adjudicator and composer. He has over fifty published compositions. (*For more biographical information, consult the Santa Barbara Music Publishing web site: sbmp.com*)

Performance notes from the arranger: This piece can be performed in a variety of ways. The 2nd choir part can be sung by a smaller group of singers from within the choir, by a separate women's, middle school, or children's choir. The latter could sing only the melody if necessary. When choir 2 is featured (ms. 33-49), choir 1 works as their accompaniment. Later, both choirs combine singing their own respective spirituals in quodlibet. "De" should be pronounced according to the rules for "the"—duh before consonants, dee before vowels. Minimize the final consonants—or simply "throw them away." The rhythmic pulse must be strong—felt by both singers and audience. Syncopations are critically important to the excitement of the piece; all must receive a *worthy* stress.