## **SING A NEW SONG**

for two-part any combination voices, accompanied, with optional percussion\*

Freely adapted from Psalms 147, 148, and 149 by J. PAUL WILLIAMS Music by JOSEPH M. MARTIN



\* Claves and maracas - please see performance notes.

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Sing a New Song is an anthem of general praise for treble or mixed voices. It may be especially useful for Christmastide or Eastertide. Suggested corresponding lectionary readings include Psalms 147, 148, and 149, Isaiah 63: 7-9, Luke 6: 20-36, and Ephesians 1: 11-23. One basic homiletical theme is rejoicing in the Lord of all creation.

In rehearsal, sing the primary theme (m. 3-10) on staccato "doo" until rhythmic precision and a slightly detached articulation are achieved. The contrasting descant (Part I, m. 11-18) and secondary theme (m. 19-30) should be more legato. The percussion part is a simple two measure repeated pattern:

CLAVES MARACAS : 27 2 27 3 1 2 2 2 2 2 3 1

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