

Music for the Psalms is dedicated in its entirety to Peter Sykes

MUSIC FOR THE PSALMS

Birds of the Psalms, Movement 4,

commissioned by and dedicated to Cappella Clausura, Amelia Leclair, Director,

Psalm 104 (Birds of the Air)

*Beside your springs the birds of the air make their nests
and sing among the branches.*

Adapted from *The Psalter,
The Book of Common Prayer*

Music by Patricia Van Ness (1951)
Score rev. 18 August 2016

Note on Text: Please follow underlay carefully to avoid sibilants.

$\text{♩} = 62$ *mf* with delicacy

Soprano 1 & 2
Be - side (ide (ide your spring (pring

Alto 1 & 2
Optional Soprano *mf* with delicacy *mp* A. 1 A. 2 A. 1
Be - (ide (ide spring

Tenor 1 & 2 *mf* with delicacy
(Be *mf* with delicacy spring

Baritone *mf* with delicacy
(ide your

Bass *mf* with delicacy
(ide your



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S. 1 & 2

A. 1 & 2

Optional S.

T. 1 & 2

Bar.

B.

your springs the

(pring (pring (pring birds bird

(pring (pring bird

(pring birds

(pring the birds

mf *mf* *mp* *A. 1* *A.1&2 mf*

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S. 1 & 2

A. 1 & 2

Optional S.

T. 1 & 2

Bar.

B.

bird bird of the air air

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A

mp *mf* *mp*

Sopranos may join Altos here to end if desired.

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S. 1 & 2
air make nests (ne

A. 1 & 2
Optional S.
the air make their (ne (ne

T. 1 & 2
air (ne (ne

Bar.
air air nests

B.
air make their (ne

mf *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

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S. 1 & 2
(ne and sing (ing (ing

A. 1 & 2
Optional S.
(ne and (ing

T. 1 & 2
and (ing

Bar.
(ne sing (ing

B.
and sing (ing (ing

B

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S. 1 & 2
A. 1 & 2
Optional S.
T. 1 & 2
Bar.
B.

(ing (ing (ing

(ing (ing (ing

(ing (ing

(ing (ing

(ing (ing sing

38

S. 1 & 2
A. 1 & 2
Optional S.
T. 1 & 2
Bar.
B.

rit. *mp*

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