

May we never have to say goodbye

(Composed for the Special Olympics, Dublin, 2003)

Arranged for voices and organ with optional traditional instruments

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(♩ = 106)

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

Solo
Vocal

Harmony
Vocal

Traditional
Soloists

Irish
Harp

Organ

Choir tacet at bar 27

Harmony Vocal tacet at bar 48

(♩ = 106) (Accordion)

mf

A VERSE 1

Solo
Vocal

Trad.
Soloists

Hp

Org.

We crossed the o - cean, We crossed the val - leys,

p

A VERSE 1

A VERSE 1

p

A D A/C# D A E/G# E7/E Bm F#M

Full Score (choir reduction)
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12

Solo Vocal

We crossed the moun - tains high. There's none to fear

Hp

Org.

D E⁺6 E⁷ A/C[#] F[#]m D

18

Solo Vocal

for now we're here and may we ne ver have to

Hp

Org.

Bm E A/C[#] D(+9) A/C[#] Bm D/A

poco acc

23

Solo Vocal

say good - bye.

Hp

Org.

E/G[#] E⁷/D A A⁷

(♩ = 110)

warm, full sound

Full Score (choir reduction)
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5

B CHORUS 1

27 *mf* *poco accel.*

S. A. *mf* *poco accel.*

T. B. *mf* *poco accel.*

Trad. Soloists *mf* *poco accel.*

Hp *espressivo* *mf*

Org. *f* *legato* *poco accel.*

(D) D Asus/E D/F# G D/F# A/C# Em

32 (♩ = 112)

S. A. *f*

T. B. *f*

Trad. Soloists *f*

Hp *f*

Org. *f*

ce - - s For we're pre - pared to - - - try

Bm G A⁺6(no 5) A⁷ D/F#

Full Score (choir reduction)
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37

S. A.

T. B.

to run the race, To face the chal - -

Trad. Soloists

Hp

Org.

Bm G Em A A⁷

41

S. A.

T. B.

lenge, and may we ne - ver have to say

Trad. Soloists

Hp

Org.

D/F# G D/F# Em⁷/4 G⁴/D A/C#

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7

45 poco rall. (♩ = 106)

S. A.

T. B.

Trad. Soloists

Hp

Org.

mf

good - bye.

A⁷ D E⁷

48 [C] VERSE 2

S. A.

T. B.

Solo Vocal

Harm. Vocal

Trad. Soloists

Hp

Org.

p

mms & ahs

We bid you wel - come to share the feel - ing
(and wish you mer - ry)

We bid you wel - come to share the feel - ing
(and wish you mer - ry)

[C] VERSE 2 (Solo Fiddle) legato

A D A/C# D A E/G# E/E Bm F#M

60

S.
A.

T.
B.

Solo Vocal

Harm. Vocal

Trad. Soloists

Hp

Org.

for here_ we_ stand_ And_ may we ne- ver_ have to

for here_ we_ stand_ And_ may we ne- ver_ have to

60

poco accel.

poco accel.

Bm E A/C# D(+9) . A/C# . Bm D/A

Full Score (choir reduction)
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9

65 *poco accel.*
pp

S. A. T. B.

Solo Vocal

Harm. Vocal

Trad. Soloists

Hp

Org.

say good - bye. say good - bye.

poco accel.

cresc.

E/G# E7/D A A7

69 **D** CHORUS 2 *mf*

S. A. T. B.

Trad. Soloists

Hp

Org.

espressivo

f

So come we all to take our chan -

D CHORUS 2 (Uilleann Pipes)

D D Asus/E D/F# G D/F# A/C# Em

Full Score (choir reduction)
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74

S. A.

T. B.

ce - - s For we're pre-pared to - - - try

Trad. Soloists

Hp

Org.

Bm G A⁺6(no 5) A⁷ D/F#

79

S. A.

T. B.

to run the race, To face the chal - - lenge, and - - -

Trad. Soloists

Hp

Org.

Bm G Em A A⁷ D/F#

Full Score (choir reduction)
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11

84 *poco rall.*

S. A. may we ne- ver have to say good - bye.

T. B.

Trad. Soloists

Hp *mf*

Org. *poco rall.*

G · D/F# · Em⁷⁺⁴ · G⁹/D A/C# A⁷ D

89 **E** CHORUS 3 *mf*

S. A. So come we all

T. B.

Trad. Soloists **E** CHORUS 3 (Bagpipes)
(Bagpipe drones)

Hp *f*

Org. **E** CHORUS 3
Organ: huge, with pedals *ff*
(tacet) (B^b) L.H. & pedals (E^b) E^b B^bsus/F E^b/G A^b E^b/G

Full Score (choir reduction)
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94

S.
A.

T.
B.

Trad.
Soloists

Hp

Org.

to take our chan - - ce - s For we're pre-pared

B^b/D Fm Cm A^b B^b

Pedals continued

99

S.
A.

T.
B.

Trad.
Soloists

Hp

Org.

to ——— try to run the race, To face the

Divisi: solo bagpipes play top line

B^b7 E^b/G Cm A^b Fm

Full Score (choir reduction)
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13

104

S. A.

T. B.

Trad. Soloists

Hp

Org.

chal - - lenge, and may we ne - ver have to

B^b E^b/G A^b E^b/G Fm Fm/E^b

108

S. A.

T. B.

Trad. Soloists

Hp

Org.

say good - bye.

poco rall.

ff glissandi

B^b/D B⁷ E^b