

Band Accompaniment Available

For the Onsted High School Choir and Band

A New Beginning

Text and Music by
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Moderato $\text{♩} = 72$

for SATB Chorus and Piano

Duration 4:30

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Moderato $\text{♩} = 72$

f

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A

mf a tempo with energy

S Let us make a new be - gin - ning,

A Let us make a new be - gin - ning,

T Let us make a new be - gin - ning,

B Let us make a new be - gin - ning,

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ritard

A

Let us make a tempo a new be - gin - ning,

mf

Pno.

B

S
let us start a brand new day. Cast a-side all back-ward

A
let us start a brand new day. Cast a-side all back-ward

T
let us start a brand new day. Cast a-side all back-ward

B
let us start a brand new day. Cast a-side all back-ward

Pno.

B

S
think - ing, for - ward in a bold new way.

A
think - ing, for - ward in a bold new way.

T
think - ing, for - ward in a bold new way.

B
think - ing, for - ward in a bold new way.

Pno.

13 C *f* more energy

S Hand in hand we march to - ge - ther,

A Hand in hand we march to - ge - ther,

T Hand in hand we march to - ge - ther,

B *f* more energy Hand in hand we march to - ge - ther,

Pno. C *f* (notes in parenthesis are alternate notes - not preferred notes)

15

S toward the day when all will see,

A toward the day when all will see,

T toward the day when all will see,

B toward the day when all will see,

Pno. 15

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D

S *mf* no one gains from hate or ran - cor, *f* bro - ther - hood will set us

A *mf* no one gains from hate or ran - cor, *f* bro - ther - hood will set us

T *mf* no one gains from hate or ran - cor, *f* bro - ther - hood will set us

B *mf* no one gains from hate or ran - cor, *f* bro - ther - hood will set us

Pno. *mf* *f*

E

S free.

A free.

T free.

B free.

Pno. *f*

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F

S *mf* with energy
One day soon all fear will van - ish,

A *mf* with energy
One day soon all fear will van - ish,

T *mf* with energy
One day soon all fear will van - ish,

B *mf* with energy
One day soon all fear will van - ish,

Pno. *mf*

F

S
time will melt a - way our heart.

A
time will melt a - way our heart.

T
time will melt a - way our heart.

B
time will melt a - way our heart.

Pno.

G

29

S All men then will sure - ly ban - ish

A All men then will sure - ly ban - ish

T All men then will sure - ly ban - ish

B All men then will sure - ly ban - ish

Pno.

31

S thoughts that keep us from that start.

A thoughts that keep us from that start.

T thoughts that keep us from that start.

B thoughts that keep us from that start.

Pno.

33 H *f* more energy

S You and I so ver - y diff' - rent,

A You and I so ver - y diff' - rent,

T You and I so ver - y diff' - rent,

B You and I so ver - y diff' - rent,

Pno. *f*

35 H

S seems we nev - er can ag - ree.

A seems we nev - - - er can ag - ree.

T seems we nev - er can ag - ree.

B seems we nev - - - er can ag - ree.

Pno. *f*

I

mf

S Ev - en with our thoughts di - ver - gent,

A Ev - en with our thoughts di - ver - - - gent,

T Ev - en with our thoughts di - ver - gent,

B Ev - en with our thoughts di - ver - - - gent,

Pno. *mf*

J

S bro - ther - hood will set us free.

A bro - ther - hood will set us free.

T bro - ther - hood will set us free.

B bro - ther - hood will set us free.

Pno. *mp*

42

S *mp* a tempo - still with energy

A *mp* a tempo - still with energy

T *mp* a tempo - still with energy

B *mp* a tempo - still with energy

Pno. *mp* a tempo - still with energy

ritard

K

46

S pas - sion, tell the world how much we care,

A pas - sion, tell the world how much we care,

T pas - sion, tell the world how much we care,

B pas - sion, tell the world how much we care,

Pno. *mp*

49 **L**

S thoughts of peace will be in fash - ion, chal - lenge all to take the

A thoughts of peace will be in fash - ion, chal - lenge all to take the

T thoughts of peace will be in fash - ion, chal - lenge all to take the

B thoughts of peace will be in fash - ion, chal - lenge all to take the

Pno. *mp*

52 **M** *mf* more energy

S dare. Friend and foe must join to - ge - ther,

A dare. Friend and foe must join to - ge - ther, *mf* more energy

T dare. Friend and foe must join to - ge - ther, *mf* more energy

B dare. Friend and foe must join to - ge - ther,

Pno. *mp* **M** *mf*

55

S *mp* N
strive as one and we will be un - i - fied now and for -

A *mp*
strive as one and we will be un - i - fied now and for -

T *mp*
strive as one and we will be un - i - fied now and for -

B *mp*
strive as one and we will be un - i - fied now and for -

Pno. *mf* N

58

S
ev - er, bro - ther - hood will set us free.

A
ev - er, bro - ther - hood will set us free.

T
ev - er, bro - ther - hood will set us free.

B
ev - er, bro - ther - hood will set us free.

Pno. *mp* *mf*

O

S
A
T
B

Pno.

P

ff grandioso (not slower)

S
A
T
B

Pno.

Make a new be -
 Let us make a new be -
 Let us make a new be -
 Let us make a new be -

ff grandioso (not slower)
ff grandioso (not slower)
ff grandioso (not slower)
ff grandioso (not slower)

66

S
gin - ing, a new be - gin - ing, for - - - - ward now with

A
gin - ing, for - ward now with pled - ges

T
8
gin - ing, for - ward now with pled - ges

B
gin - ing, for - ward now with pled - ges

Pno.

Q

68

S
pled - - - ges pled - ges clear. Vow to keep on

A
clear. Vow to all to keep on

T
8
clear. Vow to all to keep on

B
clear. Vow to all to keep on

Pno.

70

S win - ning, win - ning, fight for all we hold

A win - ning, fight for all that we hold

T win - ning, fight for all that we hold

B win - ning, fight for all that we hold

Pno.

72

S dear, hold dear, hold dear. R more energy You are my

A dear. more energy Friend or foe you are my

T dear. more energy Friend or foe you are my

B dear. R Friend or foe you are my

Pno.

74

S
bro - ther, my bro - ther, care for

A
bro - ther, care for all big as the

T
bro - ther, care for all big as the

B
bro - ther, care for all big as the

Pno.

76

S
all big as the sea, as the sea. Wish - - - - ing well for one a -

A
sea. Wish-ing well for one a -

T
sea. Wish-ing well for one a -

B
sea. Wish-ing well for one a -

Pno.

S

78

S no - ther, wish-ing well, wish-ing well, bro - ther - hood will set us

A no - ther, bro - ther - hood will set us

T no - ther, bro - ther - hood will set us

B no - ther, bro - ther - hood will set us

Pno.

80

S free. Set us free. Bro - ther - hood will set us free. Set us free.

A free. Bro - ther - hood will set us free.

T free. Bro - ther - hood will set us free.

B free. Bro - ther - hood will set us free.

Pno.

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S
Bro-ther-hood will set us free. Set us free. Free. Free.

A
Bro-ther-hood will set us free. Free. Free.

T
8 Bro-ther-hood will set us free. Free. Free.

B
Bro-ther-hood will set us free. Free. Free.

Pno.

Molto Largamente

ff

Free. Molto Largamente

ff

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About A New Beginning

Commissioned by the Onsted Community Schools, Onsted, Michigan,
 Lee Robinson, Superintendent,
 for the Onsted High Choir, Linda Pratt, Director,
 and the Onsted High School Band, Doyle Rodenbeck, Director,
 for dedication ceremonies for the new high school, February, 2000

I. Let us make a new beginning,
 Let us start a brand new day.
 Cast aside all backward thinking,
 Forward in a bold new way.

Hand in hand we march together,
 Toward the day when all will see,
 No one gains from hate or rancor,
 Brotherhood will set us free.

II. One day soon all fear will vanish,
 Time will melt away our heart.
 All men then will surely banish
 Thoughts that keep us from that start.

You and I so very different,
 Seems we never can agree.
 Even with our thoughts divergent,
 Brotherhood will set us free.

III. Sing a song about compassion,
 Tell the world how much we care,
 Thoughts of peace will be in fashion,
 Challenge all to take the dare.

Ev'ry man must join together,
 Strive as one and we will be
 Unified now and forever,
 Brotherhood will set us free.

IV. Let us make a new beginning,
 Forward now with pledges clear.
 Vow to all to keep on winning,
 Fight for all that we hold dear.

Friend or foe you are my brother,
 Care for all big as the sea.
 Wishing well for one another,
 Brotherhood will set us free.

About Michael Pratt

Michael Pratt studied composition with Pulitzer Prize winning composers Ross Lee Finney and Leslie Bassett at The University of Michigan. He has taught music in the public schools for many years in Michigan.

He has sung with The Toledo Choral Society, Toledo Symphony Chorale, Opera!Lenawee, and The University Musical Society Choral Union of The University of Michigan with whom he has performed with The Detroit Symphony Orchestra, The San Francisco Symphony, The Russian National Orchestra, The Ann Arbor Symphony, The Lansing Symphony, The Grand Rapids Symphony, The Toledo Symphony, The Birmingham, Symphony, The Gabrieli Consort, and The Tallis Scholars.

He has played tuba with The Toledo Symphony, Toledo Concert Band, Toledo Opera, University of Toledo Faculty Brass Quintet, Adrian Chamber Brass, Adrian College Faculty Brass Quintet, and since 1981 with the Adrian Symphony Orchestra.