

Harvest Due

Anthem for SATB Chorus and Piano

Lyrics by
Roger Cornish

Music by
Bruce Trinkley

HARVEST DUE

from *The Bicentennial Wagon Train Show* (1976)

*My father planted justice, wrote law in lines of gold
That said all men are equal and no man shall be sold.
But he never lived to see his harvest fully grown,
So we must bend our shoulders to bring his harvest home.*

*My mother planted courage and watered it with tears.
She willed it to her children to nurture through the years.
On a wagon rolling west she gave her children birth,
So we must match her spirit to deserve our mothers' earth.*

*Blow wind and shake the trees.
Come down, sweet summer rain.
Blow wind, sweep cross the plain,
There's a harvest coming due.*

*Our parents planted freedom and worked to make it green.
They tried to give us something the world had never seen.
But they're not here anymore. we're standing all alone.
Courage, justice, freedom, we must harvest on our own.*

To celebrate the nation's Bicentennial in 1976, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania presented a Conestoga wagon to each of the 50 states. These wagons became the lead wagons of 5 Wagon Trains which crossed the United States converging on Valley Forge, PA on July 4, 1976. Each Wagon Train travelled approximately 20 miles a day and had a performing group that presented an evening show at each encampment along the way.

Harvest Due was the principal anthem of these performances and was the hallmark message of the Wagon Train Show.

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Quietly flowing; folk hymn style *mf*

Tenor

Bass

Piano

mf *sonore* *mp*

con pedale

My fa - ther plant - ed jus - tice, — Wrote

My fa - ther plant - ed jus - tice, — Wrote

5

law — in lines of gold — That said — all men are e - qual — And

5

law — in lines of gold — That said — all men are e - qual — And

Piano

9

no — man shall be sold. — But he nev - er lived to see his

9

no — man shall be sold. — But he nev - er lived to see his

Piano

13

har - vest ful - ly grown, So we must bend our shoul - ders to

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har - vest ful - ly grown, So we must bend our shoul - ders to

17

bring his har - vest home. My My

17

bring his har - vest home.

21

moth - er plant - ed cour - age___ And wa - tered it with tears.____ She

21

moth - er plant - ed cour - age___ And wa - tered it with tears.____ She

mp

25

willed___ it to her chil - dren___ To nur - ture through the years.____ On a

25

willed___ it to her chil - dren___ To nur - ture through the years.____ On a

29

wag - on roll - ing west She gave___ her chil - dren birth,____ So

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wag - on roll - ing west She gave___ her chil - dren birth,____ So

33

we must match her spi-rit to de-serve our moth-ers'

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37

f *piu mosso*

earth. Blow wind and shake the

earth. Blow wind and shake the

Blow wind and shake the

Blow wind and shake the

37

f *piu mosso*

f *piu mosso*

42

trees. Come down, sweet sum - mer rain.

trees. Come down, sweet sum - mer rain.

trees. Come down, sweet sum - mer rain.

trees. Come down, sweet sum - mer rain.

42

47

Blow wind, sweep cross the plain, There's a har - vest

Blow wind, sweep cross the plain, There's a har - vest

Blow wind, sweep cross the plain, There's a har - vest

Blow wind, sweep cross the plain, There's a har - vest

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52

mf a tempo

com - ing due. Our par - ents plant-ed free - dom_ And

52

a tempo

mf *mf sonore*

57

worked to make it green. They tried to give us some - thing The

57

61

ff

world _____ had nev - er seen. _____ But they're not _____ here an - y - more. We're

ff

_____ But they're not _____ here an - y - more. We're

ff

_____ But they're not _____ here an - y - more. We're

ff

world _____ had nev - er seen. _____ But they're not _____ here an - y - more. We're

61

ff

65

f

stand - ing all a - lone. _____ Cour - age, _____ jus - tice, _____

f

stand - ing all a - lone. _____ Cour - age, _____ jus - tice, _____

f

stand - ing all a - lone. _____ Cour - age, _____ jus - tice, _____

f

stand - ing all a - lone. _____ Cour - age, _____ jus - tice, _____

65

f

69 *mf* Cour - age, _____ jus - tice, _____
 free - dom, We must har - vest on our own. _____
mf _____ *dim.*
 free - dom, We must har - vest on our own. _____
mf _____ *dim.*
 free - dom, We must har - vest on our own. _____
mf _____ *dim.*

69 free - dom, We must har - vest on our own. _____
mf _____ *mp*

73 *mp* _____ *rit.*
 free - dom, We must har - vest on our own. _____
mp _____ *rit.*
 free - dom, We must har - vest on our own. _____
mp _____ *rit.*
 free - dom, We must har - vest on our own. _____
mp _____ *rit.*

73 free - dom, We must har - vest on our own. _____
 _____ *rit.*
