

Fill the Well Within

Solo, unison or two-part women

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Musical score for "Fill the Well Within" by Sally DeFord. The score consists of two staves: a treble clef staff for the vocal part and a bass clef staff for the piano. The tempo is marked as 60 BPM. The music is in common time, with a key signature of one flat. The vocal part begins with a piano dynamic (p) and a forte dynamic (mf) at measure 2. The piano part features sustained notes and chords. The vocal part includes lyrics in measures 4 through 12, with dynamics ranging from piano (p) to mezzo-forte (mf). The lyrics describe spiritual themes such as seeking guidance, compassion, and salvation.

*In each passing mortal hour,
I will serve my Savior gladly,
hearts that yearn, and tears safe -
I must seek the Spirit's wisdom,
I must seek for understanding,*

*All around me there is need,
Seek his little lambs who stray,
that fall, and hun - gry souls to feed,
Learn com - pas - sion's gentle art,
That I may teach His chil - dren well,*

*There are But if
ly home, I must know the way,
For If I*

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can - not give with the emp - ty hands, nor love with bar - ren heart , If I would
seek to fill the soul a - thirst, _____ I must first be filled ,
(2. That I may)

mf

Soprano (and Alto for verse 1):

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bear _____ my bro - ther's bur - den, If I would share _____ my sis - ter's grief, Ex - tend the
mf
(That I may)

Alto (verse 2 only):

That I may bear my brother's bur - den, That I may share my sis - ter's grief,

mf

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hand _____ of sweet com - pas - sion, Of - fer the wea - ry ones re - lief, If I would
(That I may)

Ex - tend the hand of sweet com - pas - sion, Of - fer the wea - ry ones re - lief,

mf

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ease _____ the thirst of stran - gers, And serve His chil - - dren heart and hand, I must
 That I may ease the thirst of stran - gers, And serve his chil - dren heart and hand, I must

Soprano:

32 Alto: drink of hea - ven's wells o'er - flow - ing. I must learn to fill the well with - in.

34 1.

36 38 2. mp in. I must drink of hea - ven's wells o'er-

flow - ing, I must learn to fill the well with - in. (alto mel.) 44 rit.

This musical score consists of six staves of music. The top two staves are for the Alto voice, with lyrics appearing below them. The third staff is for the Soprano voice. The bottom two staves are for the piano, with bass notes on the bottom staff. Measure numbers 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, and 44 are indicated above the staves. Dynamic markings include forte (f), mezzo-forte (mp), and ritardando (rit.). The vocal parts sing in unison at the beginning, then the Soprano joins in at measure 32. The piano part features eighth-note patterns and sustained bass notes. The lyrics describe easing the thirst of strangers and learning to fill one's own well from heaven's wells.