

Ken Davies

Psalm 117

for SATB choir and piano

duration 1.5 minutes

4 pages

Program Note

The composer once had an overly ambitious desire to compose a musical setting to all the psalms. Of course, there are 150 of them and some are quite long. Psalm 117 is the shortest and seemed like a good starting point.

Text

Praise the Lord all you nations. Laud Him, all you peoples
For His merciful kindness is great t'ward us
and the truth of the Lord endures forever,
Praise the Lord.

About the Composer

Ken Davies' (www.kendavies.net) acoustic and electronic works have appeared at numerous new music festivals such as the Society of Composers, Electroacoustic Barn Dance, Southeastern Composers League (he is a past president), New Music on the Bayou, ClarinetFest, and London New Wind Festival (UK). Since 2002, he resides in coastal south Mississippi. Awards include the Mississippi Arts Commission's Performing Arts Fellowship for Composition (three times) and the Mississippi Music Teachers' Association's Commissioned Composer Of The Year. His music studies were at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Yale, MTSU at Murfreesboro (MA trombone), and the University of Colorado at Boulder (MM composition).

Duration 1:30

Psalm 117

SATB with Piano

Ken Davies

Maestoso $\text{♩} = 112$

Soprano *f* Praise the Lord — all you na - tions —

Alto *f* Praise the Lord — all you na - tions —

Tenor *f* Praise the Lord — all you na - tions —

Bass *f* Praise the Lord — all you na - tions —

Piano *f* *mf*

6 *mf* Laud Him, — Laud Him, — Laud Him, — Laud Him, —

A. *mf* Laud Him, — Laud Him, — Laud Him, — Laud Him

T. *mf* Laud Him, — Laud Him, — Laud Him, — Laud Him, —

B. *mf* Laud Him, — Laud Him, — Laud Him, — Laud Him, —

Pno. *f* *mf*

12 *f* *p*

S. all you peo - ples For His

A. all you peo - ples For His

T. all you peo - ples

B. all you peo - ples

Pno.

16 *f* *p*

S. mer-ci-ful kind-ness is great t'ward us and the truth of the Lord en - dures.

A. mer-ci-ful kind-ness is great t'ward us and the truth of the Lord en - dures.

T.

B.

Pno.

a cappella optional
mp

S. For His mer - ci - ful kind - ness is great t'ward us and the truth of the

A. For His mer - ci - ful kind - ness is great t'ward us and the truth of the

T. For His mer - ci - ful kind - ness is great t'ward us and the truth of the

B. For His mer - ci - ful kind - ness is great t'ward us and the truth of the

Pno. *a cappella optional*
mp

27 *cresc...* *f*

S. Lord en - dures for - e - ver, for - e - ver, for - e - - - ver. _____

A. Lord en - dures for - e - ver, for - e - ver, for - e - - - ver. _____

T. Lord en - dures for - e - ver, for - e - ver, for - e - - - ver. _____

B. Lord en - dures for - e - ver, for - e - ver, for - e - - - ver. _____

Pno. *play*
f

33

S.

A.

T.

B.

Pno.

38

S.

A.

T.

B.

Pno.

Praise t

Lord

43

d

Praise the

Praise the Lord

Praise Him.

Praise Him.

Praise Him.

Praise Him.

Praise Him.

Choral and Vocal Music
by Ken Davies
from **kenvad music**
www.kendavies.net/kenvad

VOCAL

Mountain Dreams - tenor or soprano & piano
Nature's Paintbrush - tenor or soprano & piano
Beach Thoughts - tenor or soprano & piano
Window To The Stage - tenor or soprano & contrabass
Bayou Sketches - soprano, horn in F, & piano
Message In A Bottle - medium voice & piano
A Psalm Of Life - tenor or soprano & piano
Who Shall Separate Us From The Love Of Christ? - solo voice & organ
If Any Man Serve Me (The Deacon's Song) - medium voice & piano
Our Lord's Prayer (pop style new music) - baritone solo - w. SATB optional - track or charts
Thank You, Mom (pap ballad) - medium voice and piano (accompaniment track available)
Our Lord's Prayer - (new music) - medium voice and recorded accompaniment track

CHORAL

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence - SATB/organ, 2 tpts, 2 tbns
An Easter Call To Worship - SATB a cappella
Psalm 117 - SATB/piano
God, The Artist Of Creation - SATB/organ
Who Shall Separate Us From The Love Of Christ? - SATB a cappella
Psalm 153 - SATB a cappella
Day And Night - SATB a cappella
Psalm 53 - SATB a cappella
Make A Joyful Noise - SATB & rock band w. horns or track
Our Lord's Prayer - (new music) - medium solo voice, SATB choir & rock band w. horns