

# Ye Shall Have a Song

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# 1. YE SHALL HAVE A SONG

Words Adapted from the  
Book of Psalms

Music by  
SHERRI PORTERFIELD (ASCAP)

With joyful spirit (♩ = ca. 138-144)

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It begins with a piano introduction in 4/4 time, marked *mf* and *ped.*. The introduction consists of three measures of piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins at measure 4 with the lyrics "Ye shall have \_ a song;". The piano accompaniment continues with a *pedal simile throughout*. The tempo and meter change to 3/4 time at measure 7, with the lyrics "let your voice \_ be heard. Ye shall have \_ a song;". The score concludes at measure 11 with the lyrics "let your voice, \_ let your voice \_ be heard." The piano accompaniment features dynamic markings of *sub. p* and *f*.