

dedicated to the choirs at Charleston County School of the Arts, SC
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I CANNOT BE SILENT

for S.A.T.B. voices and piano
with optional SoundTrax CD*

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Thoughtfully (♩ = ca. 96-100) *mp*

SOPRANO
ALTO

TENOR
BASS

PIANO

Thoughtfully (♩ = ca. 96-100) *mp*

grad. cresc.

mp

grad. cresc.

grad. cresc.

I can-not be si-lent. I can-not be

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I can-not be si - lent. For there is mu - sic. Yes, there is
 si - lent, be si - lent.

12

mu - sic. There must be *f* mu - sic *rit.* in my

15 A bit faster (♩ = ca. 108)

mf life, my life. *decresc.*

A bit faster (♩ = ca. 108)

mf *decresc.*

19

mp (opt. solo)

From the sing-ing of the lark at dawn till the night-in-gale's fi - nal

mp

22

word.

Mu-sic fills the life of

(opt. solo) *mp*

25

ev-ry-one, if its mes-sage can just be heard.

28 *(tutti) mf* 29

I will sing. I will lift up my voice. I will

(tutti) mf

31

sing. I have no oth - er choice. My soul needs mel - o - dy. My heart needs

34

har - mo - ny. My life needs mu - sic.

37

f

I can-not be si - lent, for I have a song that I must

f

40

sing.

can-not be si - lent, while I

44

have the breath to let it ring. So,

47

let the earth re - sound un - til the world has

50

found we have a com-mon bond. We have one song.

54

And we can not be si - lent.

decresc.

58

59 SOPRANO
*mp*TENOR
mp

In the pow-er of a sin - gle voice our con-

mp

61

ALTO
mp

vic-tions can be re - vealed.

In the pow-er of a

BASS
mp

65

ALL *mf*

sin - gle song our sor-rows can all be healed.

I will

ALL *mf*

69

sing. I will lift up my voice. I will sing. I have

mf

72

no oth-er choice. My soul needs mel-o-dy. My heart needs har-mo-ny. My life needs

77

f mu - sic. I can-not be si - lent, for I

f

79

have a song that I must sing. I can-not be



83

si - lent, while I have the breath to let it ring. So,



87

let the earth re - sound un - til the world has found we



91

have a com-mon bond. We have one song.

95

I can-not be si - lent. I can-not be si - lent.

cresc.

99

I can-not be si - lent. I can sing!

rit. *ff*