Lead Me Home is a highly expressive anthem, which incorporates the well-known melody of Antonín Dvořák's Largo movement of the *New World Symphony*. Appropriate for worship throughout the year as a general anthem or response to prayer, it is also highly suitable for memorial and Lenten services. The themes of the life of faith and sanctification are replete throughout Scripture, but several passages that correspond well are Matthew 17:24-25; Psalm 103:13-14, Philippians 3:12-14, and Galatians 2:20.

The opening and closing sections of this anthem should be sung a cappella very expressively. At measure 8, a gently rhythmic half-time feel takes shape. The second occurrence of the Dvořák theme is heard in the piano from measures 43 through 46. Here the piece should settle again into a more expressive feel, as in the beginning. Measure 47 returns to the half-time feel, followed by the third and final appearance of the Dvořák theme, which calls once again for a cappella voices and expressive freedom from measure 88 until the end. The piece should never feel rushed.

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for our mothers, Patricia Lee Edwards Roehrich (January 2, 1928 - December 23, 1987) and Jocelyn Lee Lantz Edwards (May 2, 1929 - August 20, 2013)

LEAD ME HOME

Words by for S.A.T.B. voices, accompanied*

Music by

THOMAS HENRY ROEHRICH (ASCAP)

DAVID LANTZ III (ASCAP)



^{*} TUNE: Largo, from the *New World Symphony* - Antonín Dvořák

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In the Shadow of the Cross is a poignantly beautiful, yet highly accessible anthem for S.A.T.B. voices that calls the listener to reflect on the love and freedom that is found because of the cross of Jesus. It is suitable for communion, during Lent and Holy Week, or any time that Christ's sacrificial love is the worship theme. Suggested scripture texts which correspond include Is. 32:1–2, Matt. 26–27, Mark 15–16, Luke 3-14, John 19, Gal. 2:19–20, Phil. 2:1–8, Col. 1:15–23, and Heb. 12:1–2.

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