Day by Day is a general anthem that is especially appropriate for services focusing on stewardship, mission, and evangelism as well as for early Lent. Suggested corresponding lectionary readings include Psalms 128 and 68: 19, Matthew 22: 34-40, 2 Corinthians 4: 16 - 5: 10, and 2 Peter 3: 14-18. One basic homiletical theme is Trusting in God's Saving Grace.

In rehearsal, strive for the expressive phrasing and dynamic shading that quite naturally spring from the gentle melodic contours and the text. In m. 9-10 and other places in which the baritones double the soprano melody, carefully tune the octaves in the voices. Insure better vocal placement for the melody's ascending leap of a sixth (m. 15-18, etc.) by practicing the leap in reverse on a neutral syllable such as "noo." Encourage the singers to employ as much "head" voice as possible and to avoid an obvious registral change in vocal placement. Wherever the word "day" is sung as a half note, the singers should be certain to sustain the word on the syllable "eh" delaying until the last moment the vanishing "ee" sound.

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for S.A.B. voices, accompanied



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