Come Now, Spirit of God In rehearsal, strive for a flowing legato, sensitive text declamation, and a feeling of one pulse per measure. Sing the opening section (mm. 9–40) on the neutral syllable "noo" while articulating a steady stream of quarter notes. Allow the quarter note pulse to give shape to the phrases, sculpting them dynamically and imbuing beauty each with a strong sense of motion. If a flute is available in performance, carefully balance it with the ensemble as it soars like the wind.

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for S.A.T.B. voices, accompanied, with optional flute\*



<sup>\*</sup> To purchase a full-length performance recording (45212) of this piece, go to alfred.com/downloads. Part for flute is on pages 11-12.

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