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# WE ARE THE LIGHT

for 2-part voices and piano\*

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Shimmering (♩ = ca. 72)

PIANO

*mp*

8<sup>va</sup>

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PART I  
*mp*

I am the light.

PART II  
*mp*

I am the light.

*light pedal*

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Two vocal staves and a piano accompaniment. The vocal staves are in treble clef with a key signature of two flats. The lyrics are: "You are the light." The piano accompaniment consists of a right-hand melody and a left-hand bass line.

15

Two vocal staves and a piano accompaniment. The vocal staves are in treble clef with a key signature of two flats. The lyrics are: "When" on two separate lines. The piano accompaniment continues with a right-hand melody and a left-hand bass line.

18

Two vocal staves and a piano accompaniment. The vocal staves are in treble clef with a key signature of two flats. The lyrics are: "we com - bine," and "we com - bine, we com - bine,". The piano accompaniment continues with a right-hand melody and a left-hand bass line.

21 *cresc.*

think of how we'll shine.

*cresc.*

think of how we'll shine.

*cresc.*

24 *mf*

25

Just like the stars that form the con - stel -

*mf*

Just like the stars, the stars — that form the con - stel -

*mf*

la - tions, — each one of us — is a bril -

la - tions, — each one of, each of us — is a bril -

*mf*

30

- liant point of light. A -

- liant point of light. A -

*mp*

*mp*

33

lone, I am an em - ber, to - geth - er, we're a

lone, I am an em - ber, to - geth - er, we're a

*mp*

*cresc.*

36

*fp* blaze. In the dark of night,

*fp* blaze. In the dark of night,

*f*

*f*

39 *mf*

we are the light.

*mf*

we are the light.

42

46 *mf*

Don't let it hide,

*mf*

I am the light. You are the light. We are the light and we shine \_

49

that spark you have in -  
 to - geth - er. He is the light. She is the light.

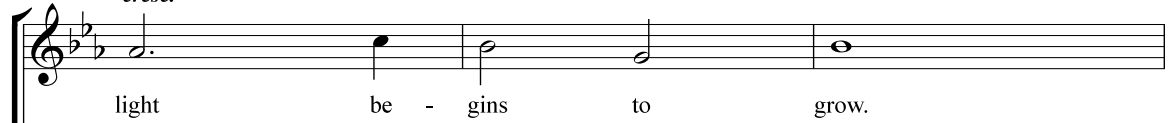
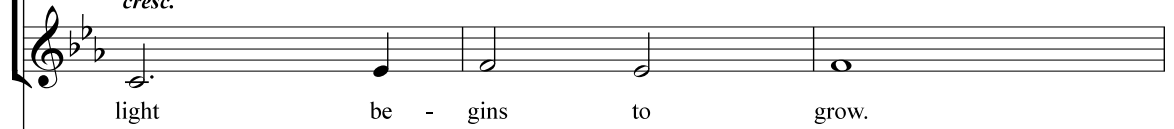
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side. When we  
 They are the light. When we

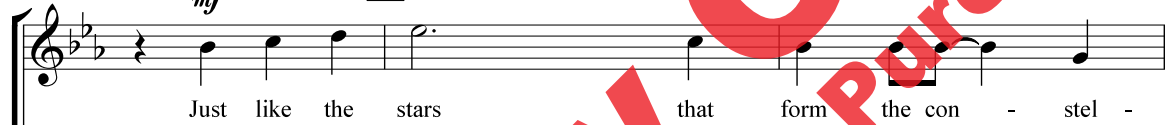
54 *mp*

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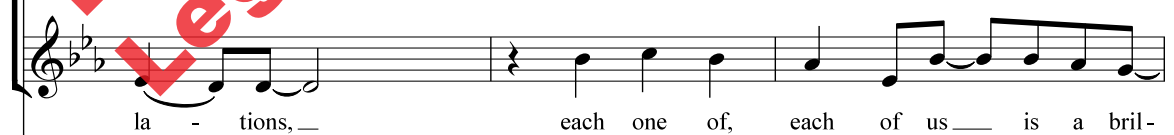
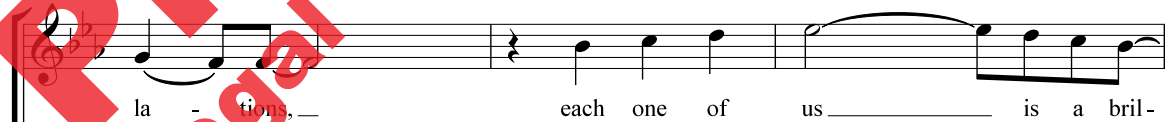
let it show, our  
 let it show, let it show, our

58 *cresc.**cresc.**cresc.*61 *mf*

62

*mf**mf*

64



67

*mp*

- liant point of light. A -

*mp*

- liant point of light. A -

70

lone, I am an em - ber, to - geth - er, we're a

lone, I am an em - ber, to - geth - er, we're a

*mp* *cresc.*

73

*fp* *f*

blaze. In the dark of night,

*fp* *f*

blaze. In the dark of night,

*f*

76

*mf*

we are the light.

*mf*

we are the light. \_\_\_\_\_ And the light is

79

And the light is hope. And the light is love.

hope. And the light is love.

82

And the light is peace.

And the light is peace. We are the light! \_

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85 87

We are the light! — And the light is grace.

And the light is grace.

88

And the light is truth.

And the light is truth. And the light is

91 *cresc.*

And the light is joy. We are the light! —

joy. We are the light! —

*cresc.*

94

95

*f*

I am the light.

I am the light. You are the light.

97

You

We are the light and we shine to geth - er. He is the light.

100

are the light.

She is the light. They are the light.

103

*mf*

When we com - bine, \_\_\_\_\_

*mf*

When we com - bine, we \_\_\_\_\_ com -

*mf*

106

*cresc.*

\_\_\_\_\_ think of how we'll

*cresc.*

bine, think of how we'll

*cresc.*

109

DESCANT (optional)

*f*

111

Just like the stars \_\_\_\_\_

*f*

shine. Just like the stars that

*f*

shine. Just like the stars, the stars \_\_\_\_\_ that

*f*



112

that form the con - stel - la - tions, each one of  
 form the con - stel - la - tions, each one of  
 form the con - stel - la - tions, each one of,

115

each of us, a bril - liant point of  
 us is a bril - liant point of light.  
 each of us is a bril - liant point of light.

118

(rejoin section)

119

light.

*mf*

A - lone, I am an em - ber, to -

*mf*

A - lone, I am an em - ber, to -

*mf*

121

*fp*

geth - er, we're a blaze. In the dark of

*f*

geth - er, we're a blaze. In the dark of

*fp*

*f*

*cresc.*

*f*

124

*mf*

*rit. poco a poco*

night, we are the light.

*mf*

night, we are the light.

*mf*

*rit. poco a poco*

127

In the dark of night, *opt. SOLO*  
*mp freely*

In the dark of night, yes, we are the

130 Reflectively (♩ = ca. 58)

We are the light. *rit. mf cresc. f*

(end solo) *mf cresc. f*

light. We are the light.

Reflectively (♩ = ca. 58)

*rit. mf cresc. f*

