

# Choral Series

## As Christ Is for Us

Assembly, Descant, Two-part Choir,  
Keyboard, Guitar, and Solo Instrument in C

Janèt Sullivan Whitaker

**INTRO** (♩ = 110-118)

Am F C Am

Keyboard

F G C F/C C F/G

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## VERSES

**Melody**

1. In the bread we share with the hun - gry, in the help we  
 2. May the bread we share give us cour - age to re - store the  
 3. May the bread we share keep us mind - ful and the fruit of the

**Harmony**

C F G C

1. give to the poor, in the kind - ness we show to the  
 2. earth in this time. For the sake of our chil - dren's de -  
 3. vine make us one. Let the whole hu - man fam - 'ly to -

F G Em F

1. strang - er we find Christ the o - pen door.  
 2. scen - dants let us hon - or God's an - cient de - sign.  
 3. geth - er heed the cry of our is - land home.

Am Bb F Gsus4 G

## REFRAIN

**Descant (final time)**

We a - rise each morn - ing, as

So we rise with him each morn - ing, and we work, as

work we must, to be Christ,

work we must, to be Christ for

no breath

F G Am F

Christ for oth - ers as — Christ is for us, ————

oth-ers ———— as Christ is for us, to be

to be Christ, ———— Christ for oth - ers as Christ is for

Christ ———— for oth-ers ———— as Christ is for

to Coda ⊕

to Coda ⊕

to Coda ⊕

Chord symbols: C, Am, F, E7, Am, G, F, G/F, C, Am, Dm, G

us. \_\_\_\_\_

us. \_\_\_\_\_

C F/C C F/G D.S. C

Detailed description: This system contains two vocal staves and a piano accompaniment. The vocal staves have lyrics 'us.' and a blank line for the singer. The piano accompaniment features a melody in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand. A repeat sign is present, with first and second endings. Chord symbols C, F/C, F/G, and C are placed above the piano part. The first ending is marked '1' and the second ending is marked '2'. The instruction 'D.S.' (Da Capo) is placed between the endings.

**BRIDGE**

And as we care for each oth-er — so must we care

G/B Am F C C/B F

for our home: air that we breathe, wa - ters that run,

Dm G E7 Am F G

Detailed description: This section is the bridge of the song. It consists of two vocal staves and a piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: 'And as we care for each oth-er — so must we care for our home: air that we breathe, wa - ters that run,'. The piano accompaniment includes chord symbols G/B, Am, F, C, C/B, F, Dm, G, E7, Am, F, and G. The piano part features a steady accompaniment with chords and moving lines in both hands.

*D.S. al Coda*

flow - ing with life for the good of all. \_\_\_\_\_

Em Am Dm C/E Dm Em F F/G

*D.S. al Coda*

⊕ CODA

us. \_\_\_\_\_

us. \_\_\_\_\_

C Am F C Am

F G C F/C C F/C C

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(Guitar/Vocal)

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(Kbd)

F G C F/C C F/G

## VERSES

C F G C

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 3. geth - er heed the cry of our is - land home.

## REFRAIN

C F G C F

So we rise with him each morn - ing, and we work, as work we

G Am F C Am F

must, to be Christ for oth - ers as Christ

E7 Am G F G/F C Am

is for us, to be Christ for oth - ers as

Dm G to Coda ⊕ C F/C

1 C F/G 2 C

D.S.

Christ is for us.

**BRIDGE**

G/B Am F C C/B F

And as we care for each oth - er so must we care

Dm G E7 Am F G

for our home: air that we breathe, wa - ters that run,

Em Am Dm C/E Dm Em F F/G

D.S. al Coda

flow - ing with life for the good of all.

⊕ CODA

C Am F C Am

us.

F G C F/C C F/C C



## Composer Notes

One of the joys of serving as a parish director of music is writing music for the community. Each community has its own charism and its own unique voice, resonating from within the walls where the faithful gather for liturgy.

While touring the parish grounds of Saint Joan of Arc Parish in San Ramon, California, the pastor took me to see the worship space where I was about to begin work in my present ministry position. As we made our way into the dark church, I was profoundly taken by the brief, bold mission statement so beautifully stenciled on the overhead cornice of the vestibule: *“To Be Christ for Others as Christ Is for Us.”*

From the moment I was greeted by these words, I knew I wanted to hear the community sing them. Within a few years, this song was born. It was immediately taken up with great love by the community and is now sung quite often in their celebrations. It is an effective song for gathering or sending forth, and has been sung at parish missions, meetings, workshops, retreats, and most celebrations of the sacraments of initiation.

I will always be grateful for the community that welcomed my efforts to set this statement to music, and I am inspired by the fervor with which they sing it.

—Janèt Sullivan Whitaker

Preview

# As Christ Is for Us

SOLO INSTRUMENT in C

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 VERSES 1-3

REFRAIN



BRIDGE




 CODA




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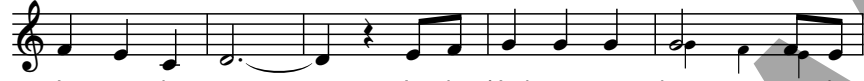
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Verses



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 3. geth - er heed the cry of our is - land home.

Refrain



So we rise with him each morn-ing, and we work, as work we must,  
 to be Christ for oth-ers as Christ is for us,  
 to be Christ for oth-ers as Christ is for us.

1: to Verse 2  
2: to Bridge



And as we care for each oth-er so must we care  
 for our home: air that we breathe, wa-ters that run,  
 flow-ing with life for the good of all.

to Verse 3

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