## PROGRAM NOTES

This arrangement of Ev'ry Time I Feel de Spirit, one of the most beloved spirituals, begins with some Jazz-style scat singing in all the voices before the altos and sopranos begin the first refrain. This arrangement ends with the style having shifted to driving, straight eighth notes to bring the arrangement to an exciting conclusion. This Spiritual has been recorded by many contemporary performers.

## TEXT

Ev'ry time I feel de spirit Movin' in my heart, I will pray. Oh, ev'ry time I feel de spirit
Movin' in my heart, I will pray.
On de mountain my Lord spoke,
Out o' His mouth came fire an' smoke. In de valley, on my knees,
Ask my Lord, "Have mercy, please?"

Jordan river chilly an' col', Chills de body but not de soul.
All aroun' me look so shine,
Ask my Lord if all was mine.
Yes, ev'ry time Ifeel de spirit. .. (etc.)
Ain't but one train on dis track,
Runs to Heaben an runs right back.
Saint Peter waitin' at de gate
Says, "Come on, sinner don't be late."
Yes, ev'ry time I feel de spirit... (etc.)
-Traditional Spiritual
NB: Some words appear in the music that do not appear here.

# Ev'ry Time I Feel de Spirit 

for SATB Chorus (divisi) unaccompanied
Traditional Words
Traditional Spiritual
Pasquale Tassone, arr.

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Ev-'ry time $\dot{\mathrm{I}}$ feel de spir-it, Ev-'ry time I feel de spir-it, pray.


Ev-'ry time I feel de spir-it, Ev-'ry time I feel de spir-it, Ev-'ry time I feel de spir-it




