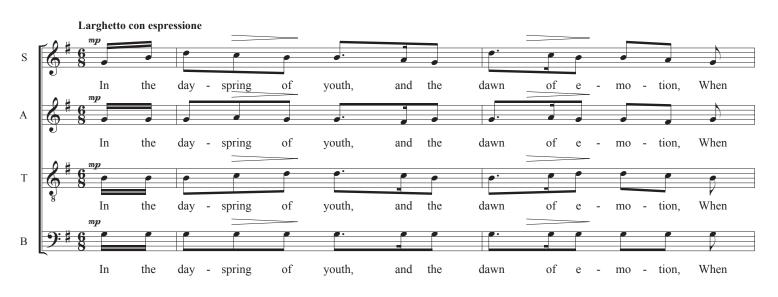
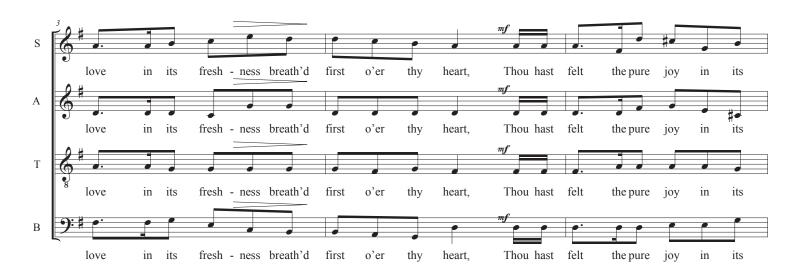


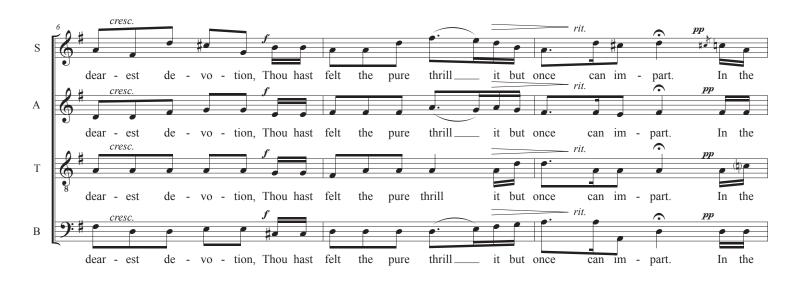


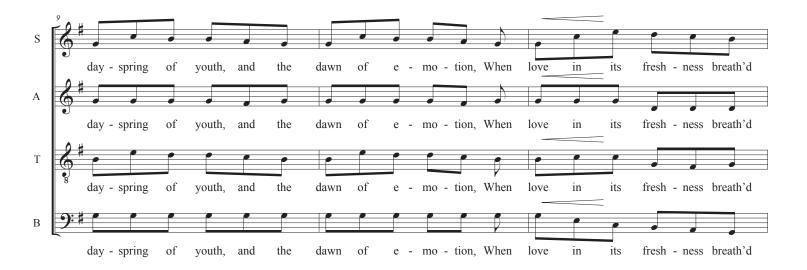
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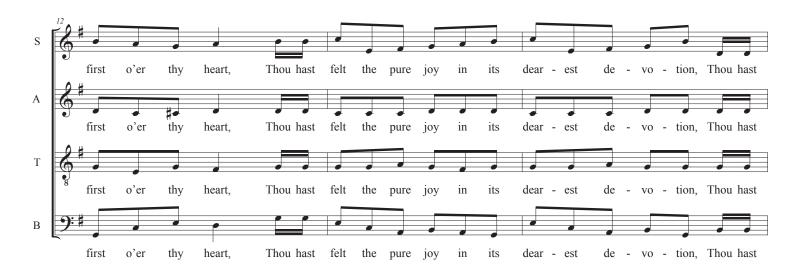


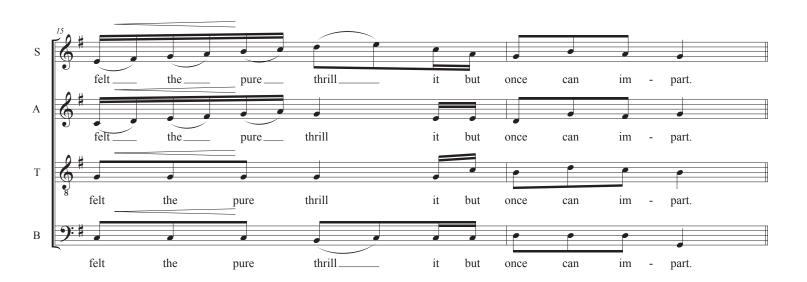


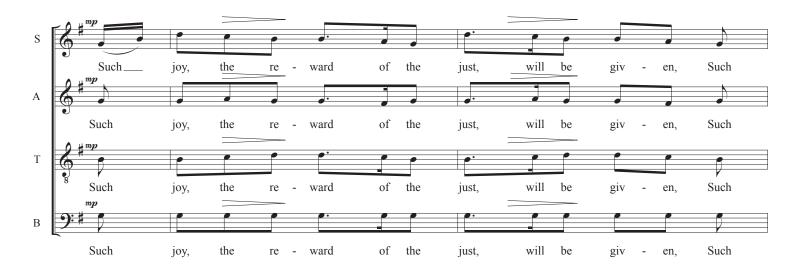


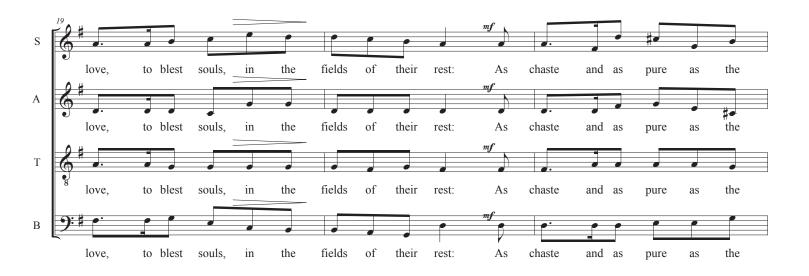


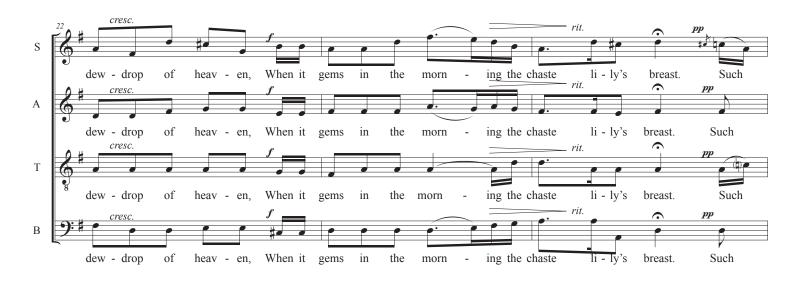


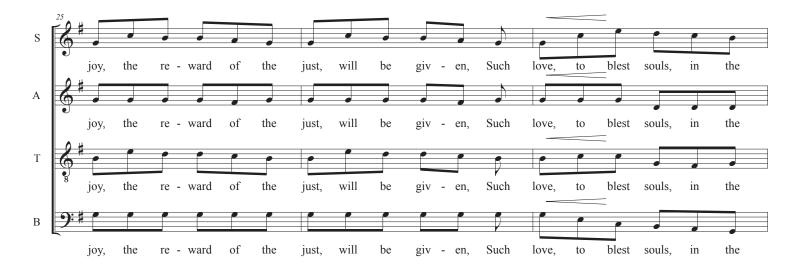


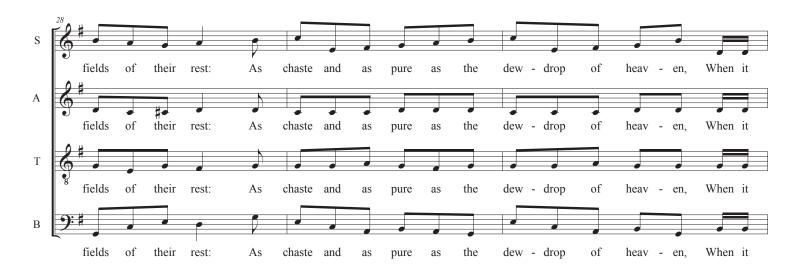


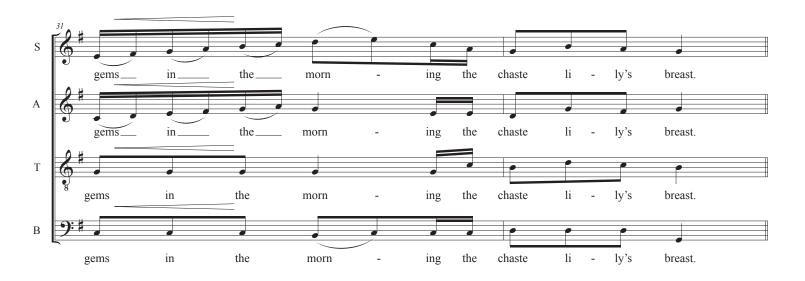


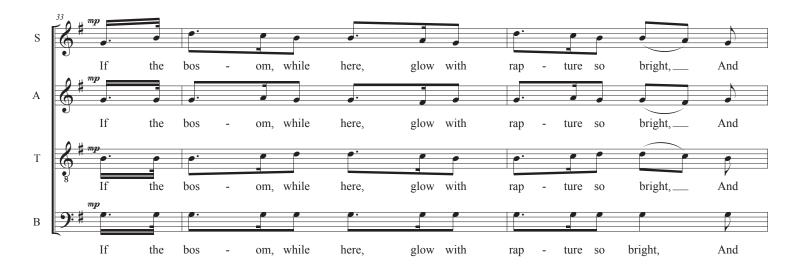


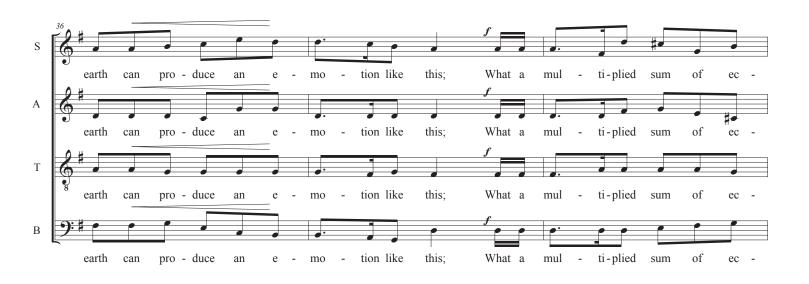


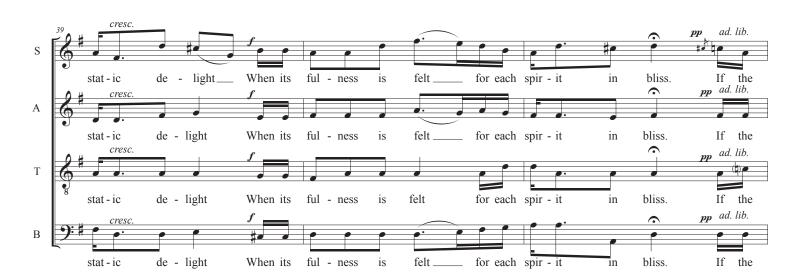


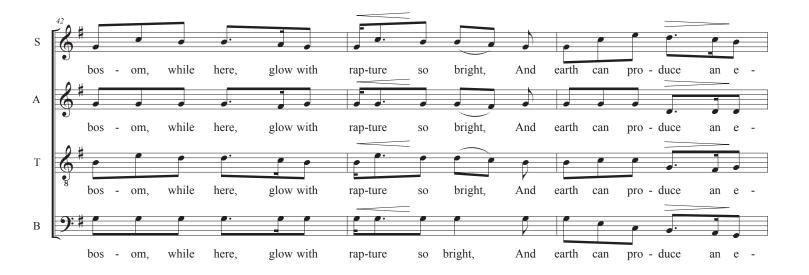


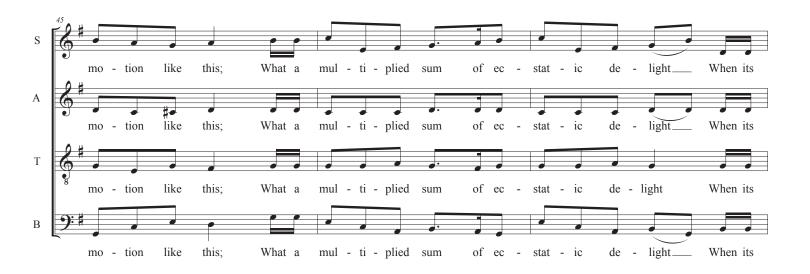


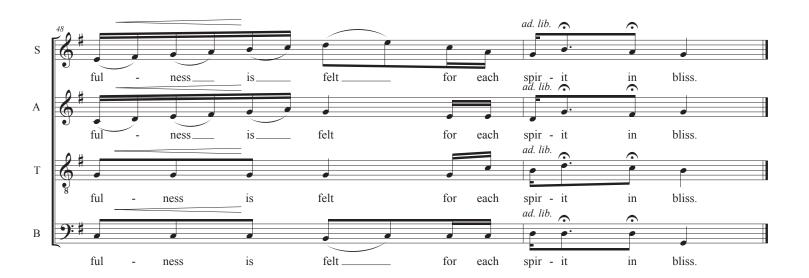












J. H. Wilkins and R. B. Carter (1843)

George James Webb (1803-1887) was born at Rushmore Lodge, near Salisbury in Wiltshire, England. He trained early in England and was an organist in Falmouth, England. He emigrated to Boston, Massachusetts, in 1830. He was organist at the Old South Church in Boston for nearly 40 years and was organist at the Boston Church of the New Jerusalem. With Lowell Mason, he founded the Boston Academy of Music. He was president of the Handel and Haydn Society. In 1871, he left Boston, taught in New York from 1876-1885, and retired to Orange, New Jersey. He was an editor for the journals "The Music Library" and "The Music Cabinet." He published the books "Vocal Techniques" and "Voice Culture," and was editor and arranger of the collections "Young Ladies' Vocal Class Book," "The Glee Hive," "The New Odeon," "The Vocalist," the "Little Songster," and "Cantica Laudis." He composed organ music, choral music, songs, and hymns. His most well-known composition is his part-song "'Tis Dawn, the Lark is Singing." The original song was well received and later adapted as a hymn with the addition of sacred words "Stand up, stand up for Jesus."

In the day-spring of youth, and the dawn of emotion,
When love in its freshness breathed first o'er thy heart,
Thou hast felt the pure joy in its dearest devotion,
Thou hast felt the pure thrill it but once can impart.

Such joy, the reward of the just, will be given,
Such love, to blest souls, in the fields of their rest:
As chaste and as pure as the dew-drop of heaven,
When it gems in the morning the chaste lily's breast.

If the bosom, while here, glow with rapture so bright, And earth can produce an emotion like this; What a multiplied sum of ecstatic delight When its fulness is felt for each spirit in bliss.

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