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Go Now in Peace, My Friends / James Kevin Gray
SAB Voices with Piano
Duration: 3:12

Go Now in Peace, My Friends

James Kevin Gray



CARL FISCHER

Performance Notes

Go Now in Peace, My Friends was written as a celebration of friendship and joy. The lyrics remind us of the gift of shared experiences, like singing in a choir. When we part from these gathered experiences, we are fuller of the good than we came; we learn from each other and are forever blessed by it.

I wanted this song to feel like home to several traditions. Therefore, I used English, Latin, and Hebrew. The latter are two ancient languages that have endured millennia.

Ite nunc in pace is Latin for go now in peace.

Shalom chaverim is Hebrew for peace friends.

It is my great hope that this song inspires you to appreciate the friends you have and the ones you will meet in the future.

—James Kevin Gray

About the Composer

James Kevin Gray is a native South Carolinian, born in Westminster in 1976. He is a graduate of Winthrop University, where he studied under such professors as Dr. Robert Edgerton, Dr. David Lowry and Jerry Helton. Kevin has taught as a chorus teacher on the middle, junior and senior high school level as well as on the collegiate level as the director of the Winthrop University Jazz Voices. In 1997, while still a student Kevin was given the honor of writing music for the international Robert Frost Conference. He has written for many churches and choral societies across the nation including having debuted pieces at the famed Piccolo Spoleto music festival of Charleston, SC in 2007, 2008, 2011, 2014 and 2015. For his planning and musical presentations Kevin was named Laymen of the Year 2012 by the International Council of Community Churches National Conference. Kevin has directed groups in Charlotte including the Charlotte Chorale, Mainstage Chorus for Carolina Voices and conductor for Metropolitan Music Ministries Choir of Directors. He is also the founder of the Power of Song a Collaborative Musical initiative based in Charlotte, NC, and is presently the Minister for Worship and Music at St. John's Baptist Church in Charlotte, NC. www.jameskevingraycomposer.com/

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Words and Music by
JAMES KEVIN GRAY

Piano

$\text{♩} = 85$

mp

D A/C# G D/F#

5 G D/F# G A D

10

Soprano *mp*

Alto *mp*

Baritone

Go now in peace — my

Go now in peace — my

Em⁷/D A/C# D D A/C#

15

friends, _____ tak-ing with you the mem' - ries of

friends, _____ tak-ing with you the mem' - ries of

G/B D/A G D/F#

19

time _____ well spent. Joy and light e - ver bring - ing through our

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G A(sus4) G/B A/C#

33

mf

Go now and find your way home. _____ For home is the

mf

Go now and find your way home. _____ For home is the

mf

Go now and find your way home. _____ For home is the

F C Dm F/A Gm

mf

38

place where we grow. _____ Go now with hearts full of

place where we grow. _____ Go now with hearts full of

place where we grow. _____ Go now with hearts full of

C(sus4) C7 F C F C/E

43

peace and joy, _____ and may our paths cross _____ a -

peace and joy, _____ and may our paths cross _____ a -

peace and joy, _____ and may our paths cross _____ a -

Dm F/C C7/Bb C

47

gain.

gain.

gain.

D A/C# G/B D/A G

mf

52

mf

Go now in peace — my

mf

Go now in peace — my

D G A D A/C#

57

friends, _____ tak-ing with you the mem' - ries of

friends, _____ tak-ing with you the mem' - ries of

_____ tak-ing with you the mem' - ries of

G/B D/A G D/F#

61

time — well spent. Joy and light e - ver bring - ing through our

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time well spent.

G A(sus4) G/B A/C#

65

laugh - ter and sing - ing Go now in peace, i - te

laugh - ter and sing - ing Go now in peace, i - te

Go now in peace,

G/B A F C/E

69

nunc in pa - ce, Sha - lom cha - ve

nunc in pa - ce, Sha - lom cha - ve

ve -

E \flat B \flat D \flat A \flat

73

- - - rim. Go now in peace,

- - - rim. Go now in peace,

- - - rim. Go now in peace,

F \sharp C \sharp /F E B

77 **rit.***mp*

go now in peace go now in peace

mp

go now in peace go now in peace

mp

go now in peace go now in peace

rit.

F#

Bm/F

F#m

Bm/F

mp

81

*p**pp*

go now in peace, _____ go. _____

*p**pp*

go now in peace, _____ go. _____

*p**pp*

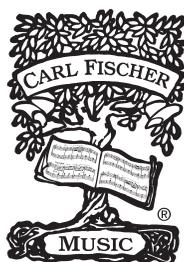
go now in peace, _____ go. _____

F#

Bm/F

F#

*p**pp*



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