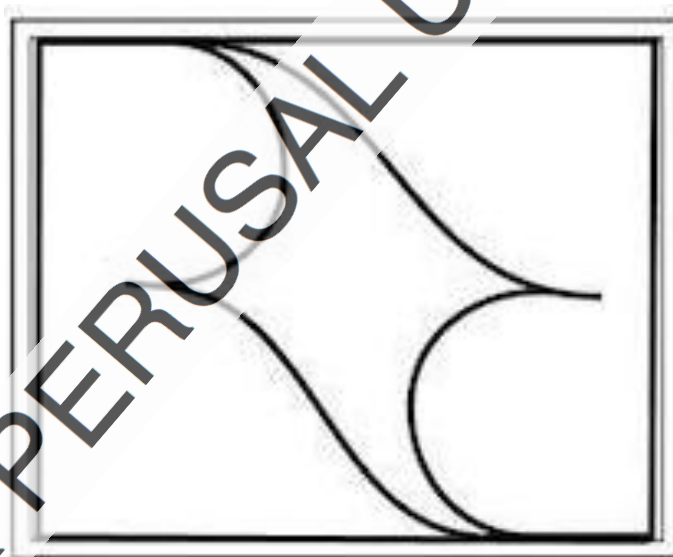


TTB, accompanied

Only in Darkness

For Men's Choir, Narrator and Piano



Rob Redei

Composer's Note

Only in Darkness was written to honor the "helpers" in the Las Vegas shooting in October of 2017. However, it is more broadly applicable to "helpers" in all tragedies and crises. The piece may be performed with or without narration, or the narration may be changed based to honor "helpers" of other events. If the narration is changed, directors are encouraged to use real quotations from news sources as much as possible, and to place the speaking over the instrumental sections of the piece.

Only in Darkness is available in TTB, SATB. String orchestra parts are also available, and the piece may be performed with string orchestra and piano, only string orchestra, or only piano.

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Commissioned by the Winter Park High School Combined Men's Choirs
Matthew Swope, Director

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The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

- John 1:5

Only in darkness can we see the stars.

- Unknown

When I was a boy and I would see scary things in the news, my mother would say to me, "Look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping."

- Fred Rogers

Stories taken from the New York Times, Bored Panda, and Newsweek

NARRATOR: On October 1, 2017, a gunman opened fire on a crowd of concertgoers at a music festival on the Las Vegas Strip in Nevada, leaving 58 people dead and 546 injured.

with reverence, $\text{♩} = 60$

Tenor 1

Tenor 2

Bass

Piano

pp

-As the carnage unfolded, some of the concert attendees put themselves at risk or stepped up for strangers.-

5 *pp*

T 1
8 Dark - ness Dark - ness Dark -

T 2
8 Dark - ness Dark - ness Dark -

B
8 Dark - ness Dark - ness Dark -

Pno.

10

T 1
8 ness Dark - ness

T 2
8 ness Dark - ness

B
8 ness Dark - ness

Pno.

14 *pp* *p*

T 1 the light shines in the dark - ness the light shines in the dark - ness the light

T 2 the light shines in the dark - ness the light shines in the dark - ness the light

B the light shines in the dark - ness the light shines in the dark - ness the light

Pno. *fp* *p*

-Former Marine Taylor Winston And His Friend, Jenn Lewis, Found A Truck With Keys In It And Transported About 2 Dozen Priority Victims To The Hospital

19 *p* *mf*

T 1 shines in the dark - ness the light shines

T 2 shines in the dark - ness the light shines

B shines in the dark - ness the light shines

Pno. *p* *mf*

-Before being shot in the neck, Jonathan Smith rushed about 30 people to safety.

-Sonny Melton was killed while covering his wife, Heather, during the shooting.

23

T 1

T 2

B

Pno.

p *mf*

28

T 1

T 2

B

Pno.

mp *mp* *mp*

the light shines in the dark - ness the light shines in the

32 *f*

T 1
8 dark - ness the light shines and the dark - ness has not o - ver - come and the

T 2
8 shines the light shines o - ver - come it

B
8 dark - ness the light shines o - ver - come it

Pno.

36 *mf*

T 1
8 dark - ness has not o - ver - come it and the dark - ness has not o - ver - come it

T 2
8 o - ver - come it and the dark - ness has not o - ver - come it

B
8 o - ver - come it and the dark - ness has not o - ver - come it

Pno.

-Firefighter Steve Keys was shot while performing CPR on a woman

40 *f* *rit.* *a tempo* $\text{♩} = 60$ *p*

T 1
o - ver - come it on - ly in dark - ness can we see the

T 2
o - ver - come it on - ly in dark - ness can we see the

B
o - ver - come it on - ly in dark - ness can we see the

Pno.

44 *mp* *mf*

T 1
stars on - ly in dark - ness can we see the stars on - ly in dark - ness can we see the

T 2
stars see the stars see the

B
stars see the stars see the

Pno.

-Krystal Goddard and Amy McAslin don't know the man who saved them.
He had already been shot, but he shielded the women and held tight to them.

48 *f* *mp*

T 1

T 2

B

Pno.

stars

53 *pp*

T 1

T 2

B

Pno.

the light shines in the dark-ness the light shines in the dark-ness

the light shines in the dark-ness the light shines in the dark-ness

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When I was a boy and I would see scary things on the news -

-my mother would say to me, "look for the helpers-

the light shines

the light shines

the light shines

the light shines

the light shines

the light shines

59

pp *p* *pp* *p* *pp*

T 1

T 2

B

Pno.

-you will always see people helping."

shines

shines

shines

shines

64

rit. *p*

T 1

T 2

B

Pno.