

JOAN SZYMKO

# Oración por la Paz

*(Prayer for Peace)*

for  
*a cappella*  
treble chorus



Joan Szymko\* (b.1957)

Joan Szymko's music is regularly performed across North America and abroad including performances at national and international choral festivals and competitions. The American Choral Directors Association recognized Szymko's lasting impact on the choral arts in North America by selecting her as a recipient of the prestigious Raymond W. Brock Memorial Commission (2010). She has been commissioned by all manner of choral ensemble: professional, community, academic and children's. Performances of her commissioned 2016 oratorio, *Shadow and Light, an Alzheimer's Journey*, a concert length work for chorus, orchestra and soli, have had a profound impact on performers and audiences alike. As resident composer with Portland, Oregon based Do Jump! Movement Theater (1995-present), Szymko has created vocal underscoring for several major touring productions in the US, earning praise from the *New York Times* for her "ethereal vocal music."

A dynamic conductor, Szymko has workshopped her compositions as a visiting artist with choirs in a variety of educational settings across the country, and abroad in the Netherlands. Her catalog of over 100 choral works is published by Joan Szymko Music, Santa Barbara Music Publishing, Roger Dean Music Publishing, Treble Clef Music Press, earthsongs, Walton Music and Oxford University Press.

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### *Oración por la Paz*

*Hazme un instrumento de tu paz.  
Donde haya odio, siembre yo amor;  
donde haya injuria, perdón;  
donde haya duda, fe;  
donde haya desesperación,  
donde haya oscuridad —  
llevé yo la esperanza,  
llevé yo la luz,  
y donde haya tristeza, gozo!*

*O divino Maestro, concédeme  
no tanto ser consolado  
sino consolar,  
ser comprendido sino comprender,  
ser amado sino amar.  
Porque cuando damos recibimos,  
cuando perdonamos somos perdonados,  
y cuando morimos  
nacemos a la luz eterna.*

### **Prayer for Peace**

*Make me an instrument of your peace.  
Where there is hate, may I sow love;  
where there is injury, pardon;  
where there is doubt, faith;  
where there is despair,  
where there is darkness—  
may I bring hope,  
may I bring light,  
and where there is sadness, joy!*

*O Divine Teacher, grant me  
not so much to be comforted  
but to comfort;  
to be understood but to understand,  
to be loved but to love.  
Because when we give we receive,  
when we forgive we are forgiven,  
and when we die  
we are born to eternal light.*

*Commissioned by the San Diego Children's Choir  
in loving memory of founding director Polly Campbell*

# Oración por la Paz

*Oración de San Francisco*

Anonymous,  
from a French Catholic periodical (1912)  
traditionally known as *Prayer of St Francis*

Joan Szymko

**Andante,  $\text{♩}=76$**

**FOR PERUSAL ONLY**

S.  
S.  
A.  
A.  
Pno.

de tu paz, paz,  
de tu paz, paz,  
Haz - me un in- stru- men- to de tu paz. Haz - me un  
de tu paz, paz,

**Andante,  $\text{♩}=76$**   
*for rehearsal only*

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S. *mf*  
— de tu paz, paz, \_\_\_\_\_ de tu

S. *mf*  
— de tu paz, paz, \_\_\_\_\_ de tu

A. *f*  
in-stru-men-to de tu paz, \_\_\_\_\_ de tu paz, \_\_\_\_\_ de tu paz. \_\_\_\_\_

A. *mf*  
de tu paz, paz, \_\_\_\_\_ de tu

Pno. *mf*

**FOR PERUSAL ONLY**

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S. *mp*  
paz, de tu paz. \_\_\_\_\_ *mf*

S. *mp*  
paz, de tu paz. \_\_\_\_\_

A. *mp*  
— — — — — — — — *p*  
o - dio, a -

A. *mp*  
paz, de tu paz. \_\_\_\_\_ *p*  
o - dio, a -

Pno. *mp*

**A** *Meno mosso* *j=68*

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S. *mf* per - dón, per-dón, fe;

S. *mf* *div.* don-de hay-a in-ju-ria, per - dón; don-de ha-ya du - da, fe;

A. *mp* mor\_\_\_\_\_ per - dón; don-de hay-a du - da, fe;

A. *mp* mor\_\_\_\_\_ per - dón, oh, fe;

Pno. *rit.* *A tempo*

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**FOR PERUSAL ONLY**

S. *mf* don-de hay-a de-se-sper-a - ción, *f* don-de hay-a o-scu-ri - dad lle - ve yo la es-per-

S. *mf* *div.* don-de hay-a de-se-sper-a - ción, *f* don-de hay-a o-scu-ri - dad lle - ve es-per-

A. *mf* *div.* don-de hay-a de-se-sper-a - ción, *f* don-de hay-a o-scu-ri - dad lle - ve yo la es-per-

A. *mf* don-de hay-a de-se-sper-a - ción, *f* don-de hay-a o-scu-ri - dad lle - ve es-per -

Pno. *f*

28                      rit.                       $\text{J}=58$                       molto accel.  $\text{mp}$

S.                      an - za, lle - ve yo la luz, y don - de hay - a tri - ste - za, go - zo,

S.                      an - za, lle - ve yo la luz, y don - de hay - a tri - ste - za, go - zo,

A.                      an - za, lle - ve yo la luz, y don - de hay - a tri - ste - za, go - zo,

A.                      an - za, lle - ve yo la luz, y don - de hay - a tri - ste - za, go - zo,

Pno.                      rit.                       $\text{J}=58$                       molto accel.  $\text{mp}$

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33                       $\text{mf}$                        $f$                       B                       $\text{J}=82$                        $f$

S.                      go - zo                      go - zo!                      O di - vi - no Maes - tro, con - cé - de - me no

S.                      go - zo                      go - zo!                      O di - vi - no Maes - tro, con - cé - de - me no

A.                      go - zo                      go - zo!                      O di - vi - no Maes - tro, con - cé - de - me no

A.                      go - zo                      go - zo!                      O di - vi - no Maes - tro, con - cé - de - me no

Pno.                      B                       $\text{J}=82$                        $f$                        $mf$                        $f$

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S. *div.* *mf* *p*  
mar, ser a - ma - do, si - no a - mar, a - mar.

S. *mf* *p*  
mar, ser a - ma - do, si - no a - mar, si - no a - mar, a - mar.

A. *mf* *p*  
mar, ser a - ma - do, si - no a - mar, a - mar.

A. *mf* *p*  
mar, ser a - ma - do, si - no a - mar, si - no a - mar.

Pno. *mf* *p*

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S. *p* *mp* *mf*  
— da - mos, re - ci - bi - mos, so - mos per - do -

S. *pp* *p* *mp* *mf*  
Por - que cuan - do da - mos, cuan - do per - do - na - mos

A. *p* *mp* *mf*  
Por - que cuan - do da - mos re - ci - bi - mos, cuan - do per - do - na - mos

A. *pp* *p* *mp*  
Por - que cuan - do da - mos, per - do - na - mos

Pno. C *pp* *mp* *mf*

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S. na-dos, per-do - na - dos, *sub.ppp* *p*  
S. — so - mos per-do - na - dos, *sub.ppp* *p*  
A. — per-do - na - dos, *sub.ppp* *p*  
A. — per-do - na - dos, *sub.ppp* *p*  
Pno. *mf* *sub.ppp* *p*

## FOR PERUSAL ONLY

61 *div.*

S. *mp* *mf* *f* y cuan-do mo - ri-mos na - ce - mos\_ a la luz\_ e - ter - na,  
S. *mp* *mf* *f* y cuan-do mo - ri-mos na - ce - mos\_ a la luz\_ e - ter - na,  
A. *mp* *mf* *f* y cuan-do mo - ri-mos na - ce - mos\_ a la luz\_ e - ter - na,  
A. *mp* *mf* *f* y cuan-do mo - ri-mos na - ce - mos\_ a la luz\_ e - ter - na,  
Pno. *mp* *mf* *f*

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**poco rall.**

S. la luz e - ter - na! O Maes - tro di - vi - no,

S. la luz e - ter - na! O Maes - tro di - vi - no,

A. la luz e - ter - na! O Maes - tro di - vi - no,

A. la luz e - ter - na! O Maes - tro di - vi - no,

**D A tempo**

**poco rall.**

Pno. {

**D A tempo**

## FOR PERUSAL ONLY

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**Meno mosso**

S. O Maes - tro Di - vi - no,  $\frac{3}{4}$  - -

S. O Maes - tro Di - vi - no,  $\frac{3}{4}$  - -

A. O Maes - tro Di - vi - no,  $\frac{3}{4}$  **p**

A. O Maes - tro Di - vi - no,  $\frac{3}{4}$  **mp**

Haz - me un in-stru-men-to de tu

**poco rit.** . . . **A tempo**

**Meno mosso**

Pno. {

**poco rit.** . . . **A tempo**

**Meno mosso**  
*mp*

rit.

A tempo

S. Haz - me un in-stru-men-to de tu

S. Haz - me un in-stru-men-to de tu paz,

A. Haz - me un in-stru-men-to

A. Haz - me un in- stru-men-to

Pno. *mp* *mf*

**Meno mosso**  
rit.

A tempo

**FOR PERUSAL ONLY**

S. paz, *p* tu paz, *p* paz,

S. de tu paz, *mp* paz, *p* paz,

A. de tu paz, *p* tu paz, *p* paz,

A. de tu paz, *p* tu paz, *p* paz,

Pno. *p* *p*