Christopher Alexander

Laudate!

SATB Divisi, unaccompanied

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About the Work

Laudate! is a celebratory work of excitement and praise. After its boisterous opening, the energy of the song takes off with differing motifs and rhythmic figures in each voice before the chorus unites in large, harmonic textures. The anticipation builds again before returning to the polyphonic section from before. The work slightly slows down, while maintaining its energetic spirit, creating polychoral harmonies. The uptempo energy comes back once more and builds through the key change and rollicking finale (similar to the beginning). Each voice section gets featured in this work, and would be a great opener at your next concert. This work is suitable for advanced high school, collegiate, and community choruses.

Laudate Dominum omnes gentes;	*Praise the Lord all ye nations;*
Laudate eum, omnes populi,	*Praise Him, all ye people,*
Quoniam confirmata est	*For He has bestowed*
Super nos misericordia eius,	*His mercy upon us,*
Et veritas Domini manet in aeternum.	*And the truth of the Lord endures forever.*
Gloria Patri et Filio	*Glory to the Father and to the Son,*
et Spiritui Sancto,	*and to the Holy Spirit,*
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper,	*As it was in the beginning, is now, and forever,*
Et in saecula saeculorum.	*And for generations of generations.*
Amen.	*Amen.*

— Psalm 117 and *Gloria Patri*

About the Composer

Mr. Christopher Alexander is an award-winning composer and arranger from St. Joseph, Missouri. He received his Bachelor of Science in Vocal Music Education degree from Missouri Western State University in 2009. A self-taught pianist, his compositions and arrangements ranging from instrumental works to vocal solo and choral literature. Mr. Alexander has been commissioned numerous times by singing groups and church choirs within the northwest Missouri and northeast Kansas regions. He is also active in musical theatre productions as a music director and pianist. His works have been published with GIA Music Publications and Hal Leonard.

In 2016, he was awarded the St. Joseph Allied Arts Council Mayor's Award for Artist of the Year. In 2022, he was inducted into the New Generation Singers Hall of Fame.

Mr. Alexander currently serves as the pianist and primary arranger for The New Generation Singers, a Christian singing youth group based in St. Joseph, Missouri. He is a member of NAfME, ACDA, MCDA, and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Fraternity.

He is available for commissions and conducting events on request.

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Words from
PSALM 117 and *GLORIA PATRI*

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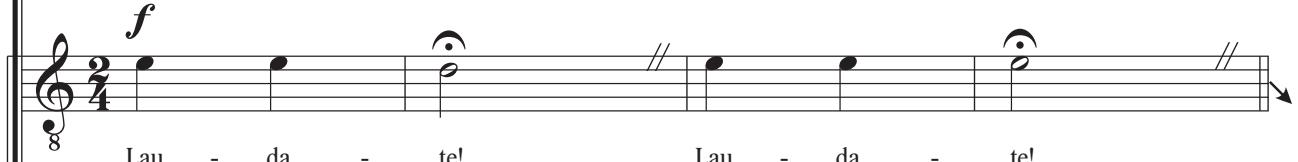
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Allegro leggiero (♩ = c. 132)

⑤ *unis.* **mf** TENOR I & II

Lau - da - te   Do - mi-num,   lau - da - te   Do - mi-num,

9 TENOR I & II

lau - da - te   Do - mi-num,   lau - da - te   Do - mi-num,

mf BARITONE, BASS

Lau - da - te   Do - mi - num,

13 SOPRANO II, ALTO I & II

mf

Lau - da - te,   lau - da - te,   lau - da - te,   lau - da - te,

TENOR I & II

lau - da - te   Do - mi-num,   lau - da - te   Do - mi-num,

BARITONE, BASS

lau - da - te   Do - mi - num,

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17 *mf* SOPRANO I

Lau - da - te Do - mi - num

SOPRANO II, ALTO I & II

lau - da - te, lau - da - te, lau - da - te, lau - da - te,

TENOR I & II

lau - da - te Do - mi - num lau - da - te Do - mi - num,

BARITONE, BASS

lau - da - te Do - mi - num,

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om - nes gen - tes;

lau - da - te, lau - da - te, lau - da - te, lau - da - te,

lau - da - te Do - mi - num, lau - da - te Do - mi - num,

lau - da - te Do - mi - num,

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Lau - da - te e - um,

lau - da - te, lau - da - te, lau - da - te, lau - da - te,

lau - da - te Do - mi-num, lau - da - te Do - mi-num,

lau - da - te Do - mi - num,

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om - - - nes po - pu - li,

lau - da - te, lau - da - te, lau - da - te, lau - da - te.

div.

lau - da - te Do - mi-num, lau - da - te Do - mi-num.

lau - da - te Do - mi - num.