

Gratias

(Gratitude we Give unto Thee)

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sop *p* $\text{♩} = 58$

alto

organ

rit **Fine** *a tempo*

rit *cresc. poco a poco*

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Soprano vocal line:

Grati-as a - - gi - mus ti- bi
Grati-as a - - gi - mus ti- bi,

Alto vocal line:

- - - - -

Organ harmonic line:

G_C G_C G_C G_C G_C G_C

Final vocal line (beginning after 'Fine'):

Grati-as a - - gi - mus ti- bi
Grati-as a - - gi - mus ti- bi,
Grati-as a - - gi - mus ti- bi.

Final organ harmonic line (beginning after 'Fine'):

G_C G_C G_C G_C G_C G_C

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The musical score consists of three staves of music in common time, key signature of two sharps, and treble, bass, and alto clefs. The lyrics are "Grati-as a-gi-mus, grati-as a-gi-mus ti-bi" repeated twice, followed by "a - - - gi-mus ti-bi," "a - - - gi-mus ti-bi," and finally "Grati-as, Grati-as" with a ritardando (rit.) and a da capo (D.S. al Fine) instruction.

Lyrics:

- Grati-as a-gi-mus, grati-as a-gi-mus ti-bi
- Grati-as a-gi-mus, grati-as a-gi-mus ti-bi
- a - - - gi-mus ti-bi,
- a - - - gi-mus ti-bi,
- Grati-as, Grati-as

Dynamic Markings:

- mf (mezzo-forte) over the second half of the first section.
- mf (mezzo-forte) over the second half of the second section.
- mf (mezzo-forte) over the final section.

Performance Instructions:

- Smooth linear phrases versus staccato markings.
- Ritardando (rit.) at the end of the section.
- Da Capo (D.S. al Fine) instruction.

This is a delicate piece, if you pay attention to the interplay of the smooth linear phrases versus the staccato markings, you'll be rewarded with a piece of lace.