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Dedicated to Don Martino Santoni

# My Father's Gaze

Sacred Song for Solo Voice, SATB Chorus, Congregation and Organ or optional Brass Quintet

Poem by Anna Cellinese

*The Water is Wide*  
Traditional American  
Giancarlo Aquilanti, arr.

Verse 1

Moderato with faith ♩ = 80

*p* *mf* *p*

Soprano Solo

Your gaze, oh Fa - ther, is on my life You've seen me

Organ

*p*

Man.

6

Sop. Solo

won - der, look for your eyes My twist-ed tongue

Org.

*mf* *f*

3

11

Sop. Solo

failed spell-ing your name I dwelled on my house,

Org.

*mf* *p*

3

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Verse 2

15

Sop. Solo

*mf* *p*

my wealth and faith

S

A

*p* *mp*

De - sire, De - mands,

T

*p* *mp*

De - sire, De - mands,

Org.

*mf*

20

S

A

*(mp)* *mf*

tor - ment - ing Doubts, -

T

*(mp)* *mf*

tor - ment - ing Doubts, -

Org.

*mf*

Ped.

24

S A

T

Org.

Ped.

*f* *mf* *p*

Clear tears of long - ing, a sud - den shout

Clear tears of long - ing, a sud - den shout

28

S A

T B

Org.

Ped.

*p* *mf* *f* *p*

Ah

Ah

You, Fa - ther, showed me

a man on the

a man on the

6

32 *mf* *p* *p* *mf* *p*

S  
shore, He spread his strong arms,

A  
shore, He spread his strong arms,

T  
shore, He spread his strong arms,

B  
shore, He spread his strong arms,

Org. *f* *p*

Ped.

36 *p* *rall.* *mf* *p*  $\text{♩} = 60$

S  
I felt your Love

A  
I felt your Love, your Love

T  
I felt your Love, your Love

B  
I felt your Love, your Love

Org. *rall.*  $\text{♩} = 60$

Ped.

Verse 3  
Meno mosso ♩ = 72

42 *p* *mf*

S Re - joice on this land, re - joice, re - joice, em -

A Re - joice on this land, re - joice, em-brace the

T Re - joice on this land, re - joice,

B Re - joice on this

Org. *p*

Ped.

Meno mosso ♩ = 72

46 *rall.* *p* *a tempo* (♩ = 72)

S brace the earth, em - brace the earth,

A earth, em - brace the earth, em-brace the earth, My love is here,

T em - brace the earth,

B *mf* land, re - joice, em - brace the earth My love is

Org. *rall.* *a tempo* (♩ = 72)

Ped.