

Commissioned by the MacDowell Male Chorus of Appleton, Wisconsin
in commemoration of their 85th anniversary, Herb Berendsen, conductor

O Love

For TTBB* Choir, Piano and optional Cello **

George Matheson (1842-1906)

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Espressivo $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 76-80$
molto legato

Cello

Piano

(Do not play pickup note when using cello) *p*

rubato *rit.*

TB unis. *gently p a tempo*

O Love, O Love, O Love, that

* Also available for SATB (BP2097) and SSAA (BP2170) choir.
** Separate Cello part (BP2097A) is available for purchase.

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BP2171-2

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C.

will not let me go, O Love, I

C.

T.

B.

rest my wea in Thee; I give thee back the
rest my wea soul in Thee; I give thee back the

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life I owe, that in thy o - cean depths its flow
life I owe, in thy o - cean depths its flow may

p *mp* *mp*

rich - er, - less - er, O

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mp *mp*

Joy, O Joy, O Joy, that

Joy, O I
O Joy, I
seeks me through the pain, O Joy, I

BP2171-5

can - not close my heart to thee; I trace rain - bow
 can - not close my heart to thee; I trace rain - bow

unis.
div.
Lh.

through the rain and feel the pro - mise is not vain
 through the rain and feel the pro - mise is not vain that

unis. *p*
unis. *p*

tear less
 morn shall tear - less be that morn shall tear - less

mp
mp
mp

be.
 morn shall be. be.
 be. O

rit.
rit.
rit.

Love, O Love, that
 Love, O Love, O

a tempo
mf *a tempo*
a tempo
f *a tempo*

will not let me go, I
 will let me go, O Love, I

subito p
subito p
p

rest my wea - ry soul in thee; give thee back the
 rest my wea - ry soul in thee; give thee back the

rit. *a tempo*
rit. *a tempo*
rit. *unis.* *p*
Lh.

life I owe, thee back the life I owe, I
 give thee back the life I owe, I

unis. *p*
 add Baritones
mp

mp *rit.*

give thee back the life I owe and in thy o - cean

give thee back the life I owe and in thy o - cean

Lh. *Lh.* *rit.* *f*

55 56 57

f *mp* *lightly* *p*

depths its low that

depths its low shall rich - er, ful - ler be.

f *mp* *lightly* *p*

38 39 40 41

p *unis.* *p*

morn shall tear - less be.

p *unis.*

62 63 65

mp *unis.*

Love, Love, O Love, O

mp *unis.*

66 67 68 69



Love, that

Love, O Love, will not let me

Love, O Love, will not

70 71 72 73

rit. *rit.* *rit.* *rit.* *pp*

Love, let me go.

will not let me go.

74 75 76 77 78