

# 10. I Lift My Voice

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Rousing (♩ = 116)

C G/B C

1. When I lift my voice, — let it be in song, — A de -  
2. When I lift my voice, — let it be for good, — Let me

C Am G/B C

fi - ant note — in the face of wrong, — } I won't stand a - lone, — we'll stand  
care as much — as I know I should, — }

F Am C Em Am G/B C

side by side, — 'cause we know that love — is al - ways jus - ti - fied. —

## REFRAIN:

C F C/E F/A C/G G C/E

When they try to — di - vide us, — it will

F G F/A C/G G F C/G G7sus C

on - ly — u - nite us. — I lift — my — voice.

## Performance Suggestions:

- Teach the audience the Refrain (or last two measures).
- Try harmonizing on the Refrain.

*Andrea writes: "I was inspired by the line 'with glad defiance in my throat, I pierce the darkness with a note' from James Weldon Johnson's poem, 'The Gift to Sing,' and I created this tune in hopes of acknowledging the power of music and the importance of community in pursuing justice and unity."*

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