

# September

## 5. Ramadan: Ramadan

Ramadan is the month during which the Qu'ran was revealed to Mohammed, providing guidance for the people. Ramadan is a month of fasting during the day,

To understand Ramadan, we must walk in the shoes of Muslims. One of the lessons that Muslims learn from fasting is compassion and justice. One of the instructions for the observance of Ramadan is to feed the poor. Muslims by religious law must give two and one-half percent of their income each year to those less fortunate in the community.

Fasting is a means to gain greater spiritual awareness. Rumi wrote "When fasting, good habits gather like helpful friends." Ramadan is also a time when Muslims come together as families and in community

The daily greeting of a Muslim is "peace" (Salaam), and the word "Muslim" means peace. The ending to this anthem repeats the words peace in various ways, finally ending with the Arabic: "Assalaam alaikum" or "Peace Be With You."



# Ramadan

for mixed chorus (SATB) and piano

Words and music:  
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With intensity ♩ = 100

*mp*

Soprano  
Alto

Tenor  
Bass

Piano

*mp* *p*

Sa - laam a - lei -

Lead. \* Lead. \* Lead. \* Lead. \* Lead. \* Lead. \*

S  
A

T  
B

Pno.

4

- - kum — May peace be with you. —

Lead. \* sim.

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S  
A

*mp*

T  
B

Sa - laam a-lei - kum — May peace be with you! —

Pno.

*p*

S  
A

*mf*

T  
B

Ra - ma - dan is com - ing — so seek — the new

*mf*

Ra-ma - dan is com-ing!

Pno.

*mp*

14

S  
A

moon. *f* Ra - ma - dan is com - ing

T  
B

*mf* So seek the new moon. *f* Ra - ma - dan is com-ing!

Pno.

17

S  
A

It will be here soon. *f*

T  
B

It will be here soon. - - -

Pno.

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4<sup>o</sup> *p*

S  
A  
T  
B

No eat - ing no drink - ing

19

*f* *p*

*Red. \* Red. \* Red. \**

22

S  
A  
T  
B

dur - ing the day - light.

Un - til the sun

22

*p*

25

S  
A

T  
B

mf

sets and day be- comes night.

Pno.

mf

28

S  
A

T  
B

f

Hun - ger teach - es com - pas - sion best.

f

Hun - ger teach - es com - pas - sion best.

Pno.

f

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6

31

S  
A

T  
B

Pno.

*p*

Ra - ma - dan is a

Ra - - ma - dan

34

S  
A

T  
B

Pno.

time that is blessed.

is a time that is blessed.

The musical score is for the piece "Ramadan" and is on page 7. It features four vocal parts (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and a Piano accompaniment. The score is divided into two systems, each starting at measure 36 and 39 respectively. The key signature is one sharp (F#).

**System 1 (Measures 36-38):**

- Soprano:** Measures 36-38. Lyrics: "With all its won -". Dynamic: *mp*.
- Alto:** Measures 36-38. No lyrics.
- Tenor:** Measures 36-38. No lyrics.
- Bass:** Measures 36-38. No lyrics.
- Piano:** Measures 36-38. Accompaniment with triplets. Dynamic: *subito p*.

**System 2 (Measures 39-41):**

- Soprano:** Measures 39-41. Lyrics: "- der Ra - ma-dan is near. \_\_\_\_". Dynamic: *cresc.*
- Alto:** Measures 39-41. Lyrics: "With all its won - - - der \_\_\_\_ Ra - ma-dan is near. \_\_\_\_". Dynamic: *mp cresc.*
- Tenor:** Measures 39-41. No lyrics.
- Bass:** Measures 39-41. No lyrics.
- Piano:** Measures 39-41. Accompaniment with triplets. Dynamic: *cresc.*

Additional markings include "Ped." with asterisks in the piano part and various dynamic and articulation instructions.



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8

42 *mf*

S  
A

Now with all its light Ra - ma - dan is here.

T  
B

*mf*

Now with all its light

Pno.

*mp*

45 *f*

S  
A

Peace be up - on you.

T  
B

Ra - ma - dan is here. Peace be up - on you.

Pno.

*f*

*decresc.*

*mf*

48  
S A  
Peace be \_\_\_ with you. \_\_\_ Peace be in \_

*decresc.*

*mf*

T B  
Peace be \_\_\_ with you. \_\_\_ Peace be in \_

*decresc.*

*mf*

48  
Pno.

*mp*

51  
S A  
\_ you Peace be \_\_\_ with you. \_\_\_

*mp*

T B  
\_ you Peace be \_\_\_ with you. \_\_\_

*mp*

51  
Pno.

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10

54 *p* *rit.* **Slower** (♩ = c. 88) *pp*

S  
A  
Peace be up - on you. As - sa - laam a - lai-kum.

T  
B  
Peace be up - on you. As - sa - laam a lai-kum.

54 *p* *rit.* **Slower** (♩ = c. 88) *pp*

Pno.