

VOICES

THE RAPID STREAM

Unison Song

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The voices may be divided as indicated (I) or (II),  
or the song may be sung as unison throughout..

Accompaniment arranged for  
small orchestra by John Morrison, 2023

**Allegro.**

**mf** (I) **mf** (II)

O stream-let! swift - ly flow - ing, Down

7 through the corn - fields go - ing, Stay thy course with

10 (I) *cresc.* me. Stay thy course with me. For

14 (II) *cresc.* (I) us the sky - larks sing, For us a-wakes the Spring; There's

16 (II) **f** (unis.) time to spare, the earth is fair, Why hur-ry to the

19 **f** (I) sea? The sky is bright a - bove thee,

25 **f** (II) Sil - v'ry bran-ches love thee, Bend - ing to the reeds;

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29 (I)

Bend - ing with the reeds; \_\_\_\_\_ No

32 (II) (I)

mill with bu - sy wheel, Or ship with plough - ing keel, With

34 *allargando* *f* (unis.)

sad un - rest dis - turbs thy breast, A - mid the flow - 'ry

37 *a tempo* *piu tranquillo* *p* (unis.)

meads. O stream - let swift - ly

40 *cresc.*

flow - ing, Stay thy course with me, There's

43 *accel.* *f* *a tempo*

time to spare, the earth is fair, Why hur - ry

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to the sea?