God Is Calling through the Whisper

1 God is calling through the whisper of the Spirit–it’s deepest sighs,
through the thrill of sudden beauties that can catch us by surprise.

2 God is calling through the voices of our neighbors’ urgent prayers,
through their longing for redemption and for rescue from despair.

3 God is calling through the music of sublime and human arts,
through the hymns of earth and angels, and the carols of our hearts.

Flash of lightning, crash of thunder; hush of stillness, rush of wonder:
Place of hurt or face of needing; strident cry or silent pleading:

Lift of joy and gift of singing; days and nights our praises bringing:

God is calling–can you hear? God is calling–can you hear?
God is calling–can you hear? God is calling–can you hear?
God is calling–and we hear! God is calling–and we hear!

This wide-ranging text reminds us of the many surprising and urgent ways God calls to us, both to draw us near and to send us forth. In the third line of music it is especially effective at harnessing the momentum of the phrases that are each a note higher than the one before.