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A varied collection of songs for worship that sounds the spectrum of cultic music, with elements of early chant, medieval polyphony, American plain-song and a signature Celtic lyricism informing these hymns writte 15 MP3 Songs CLASSICAL: New Age, GOSPEL: Contemporary Gospel Details: There is an art to keeping the Sabbath day, and praise is its form. It is a day for singing our wonder at being alive. On the Sabbath we gather the world in our song and offer it as a sacrifice of praise. On the Sabbath we draw the Spirit's own breath to sing of the mystery that first sang us forth from the infinite silence of all beginnings. On the Sabbath day we join the choirs of all beings to intone in inexhaustible harmonies, the hymn of creation, renewed and restored in the liturgy of thanksgiving. These songs are the fruit of "endless Sabbaths," shared by the liturgical community at the Benedictine Grange of West Redding, Connecticut. As they have sustained our worship and transformed our hearts for decades, we offer them to the Christian community, hoping they may enrich the art of Sabbath-keeping for other worshippers as well. Many thanks to the members of Anima Schola, past and present, who bring the songs of my humble composition to a beautiful richness each Sabbath, and have done so for several decades. I dedicate these songs to them and to the community of the Benedictine Grange. In particular I salute Fr. John Giuliani whose icon, Navajo Christ Breaking Bread, beautifully mirrors the way his own faithful hands have blessed and broken the Bread of Life with and for us these many decades. I am delighted it graces the album and this book of songs. We invite you to hear our realization of this music on our recording Sabbath, where each member of our ensemble interpreted particular songs in their own voice and style. The result is a refreshing novelty and variety of a repertoire that we hope will re-sound beyond the rafters of our Sabbath place. Kathleen Deignan, CND, PhD Feast of St. Marguerite Bourgeoys January 12, 2001

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