## **Practice File Notes**

## There are four tabs:

- YouTube/Recordings links from YouTube and other recordings by WVC and other groups
- Pronunciation Resources links to pronunciation recordings and descriptions or documents
- Sib –cloud-based files with an All file (all parts at equal volume) and part files (individual parts at a higher volume)
- MP3 mp3 version of Sib files that can be listened to on the web or downloaded

## Parts are indicated as follows:

- 2-part split: Soprano (Sop), Alto (Alto)
- 3-part split: Soprano (S), Mezzo (M), Alto (A)
- 4-part split: Sop 1 (S1), Sop 2 (S2), Alto 1 (A1), Alto 2 (A2)
- 6-part split: Parts 1 through 6 (P1, P2, P3, P4, P5, P6)
- 8-part split: Upper (U), Lower (L)
- 2 Choirs: Choir 1 (C1), Choir 2 (C2)

## **Practice File Type Descriptions**

**Sib files** can be viewed/played in any browser on any device. Navigating within the Sibelius Cloud files is fairly intuitive. A start/stop button is at the bottom left of the screen. You can also use the slider at the bottom of the page to move to a specific location or you can move forward or backward in the score by whole pages using two arrows on the middle left and right of the page. Unfortunately, there is no way to adjust the tempo at this time. However, there are apps such as Music Speed Changer that allow you to adjust the tempo of MP3 files. If you have technical difficulties, talk to your section leader and she will direct you to someone who can help.

**MP3 files** are simply mp3 versions of the Sib files. To download an MP3, right-click the link and choose "Save Link As," or "Download Linked File As." (Option varies depending on which browser you use.) In Safari there's also an "Open with iTunes" option that lets you stream it through your iTunes library.