

Production Notes

Sing Joy to All the World! is flexibly conceived for Advent and/or Christmas programming. Each individual anthem may be presented during the weeks leading up to Christmas, or the entire cantata may be performed as a whole in a single worship experience, depending on programming needs. Small and large choirs alike will find the choral writing appealing and versatile. Accompaniment options ranging from piano only to full orchestra with CD accompaniment or live instruments ensures maximum flexibility for your unique programming needs.

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Tidings of Comfort and Joy!

Arranged by Lloyd Larson

(1) Joyously, buoyantly $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 60$

**“Bell Carol”

Narrator 1
(read over opening underscore)
We gather to tell the story of

Emmanuel: God with us. We gather to remember this story; to wait and watch for Him to

A musical score consisting of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and has a key signature of one flat. It contains six groups of eighth notes, each group consisting of two notes. The bottom staff is in bass clef and has a key signature of one flat. It contains six dotted half notes, each preceded by a vertical bar line.

come again, even now. Come, Lord Jesus.

come again, even now. Come, Lord Jesus.

(2)

7

mp

cresc. poco a poco

*Tune: Ukrainian Bell Carol by Mykola Leontovych, 1914.

Words: **Lloyd Larson. Tune: GOD REST YE MERRY, Traditional English Melody.

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1

13

long for Heav - en's King. O come, De - sire of

16

na - tions, come, that our spir - its may take wing! And

19

when the prom - ise is ful-filled we'll cel - e-brate and

A Light Shall Shine

Arranged with New Music
by Lloyd Larson

Slowly, very freely $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 92$

*“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

(7)

(8) **With steady motion** $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 84$

**“The People Walking in Darkness”

Solo *mf*

The peo - ple walk - ing in

With steady motion $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 84$

mp detached

mf

pedal sparingly

*Tune: HYFRYDOL by Rowland H. Prichard, 1830.

**Words and Music by Lloyd Larson.

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20

dark - ness shall see a great light! The

23

(9)

peo - ple walk - ing in dark - ness, on them a light shall

26

SA *mf*

shine. The peo - ple walk - ing in dark - ness shall

TB *mf*

Prepare the Way!

23

Words by **Lloyd Larson**,
based on **Isaiah 40:1-5**,
and Latin hymn,
tr. **John M. Neale**, 1851

Music by **Lloyd Larson**
Quoting **VENI EMMANUEL**
by **Thomas Helmore**, 1854;
adapted from Plainsong

(14) Slowly, freely $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 84$

Musical score for measure 14. It consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and has a dynamic of *p*. The bottom staff is in bass clef. Both staves have a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of $\frac{4}{4}$.

Resolutely $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 56$

Musical score for measure 5. It consists of two staves. The top staff has a dynamic of *rit.* and the bottom staff has a dynamic of *cresc. poco a poco*. The key signature changes to $\frac{6}{8}$ at the beginning of this measure.

9 (15) SATB (Unison)

mf

Pre - pare the way of the

Musical score for measures 9-11. It consists of two staves. The top staff has a dynamic of *mf*. The lyrics "Pre - pare the way of the" are written below the notes. The bottom staff has a dynamic of *mf* starting in measure 11.

12

Lord. Pre - pare the way of the Lord. Make

Musical score for measures 12-14. It consists of two staves. The lyrics "Lord. Pre - pare the way of the Lord. Make" are written below the notes. The bottom staff has a dynamic of *mf* starting in measure 13.

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15

straight in the des - ert a way for our God. Pre - pare the way of the

18 [16]

Lord. Pre - pare the way of the Lord.

21 SA

Com - fort, com - fort my peo - ple. Their night shall soon be

TB

David's Royal City

Words by
Cecil F. Alexander, 1848
 and **Phillips Brooks**, 1868

Arranged by **Lloyd Larson**
 Tunes: **IRBY** by **Henry J. Gauntlett**, 1849,
FOREST GREEN, Traditional English Melody,
 and **ST. LOUIS** by **Lewis H. Redner**, 1868,

(22) **Tenderly, freely** $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 72$

[23] Slightly faster, steadily $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 76$

13 SA

mp

Once in roy - al

Slightly faster, steadily $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 76$

A musical score for two voices (SA) and piano. The vocal parts are in treble clef, and the piano part is in bass clef. Measure 13 starts with a rest followed by a piano dynamic. Measures 14 and 15 show the vocal parts entering with eighth-note patterns, while the piano provides harmonic support.

16

Da - vid's cit - y stood a low - ly cat - tle shed,

A musical score for two voices (SA) and piano. The vocal parts continue their eighth-note patterns, and the piano maintains harmonic stability.

19

where a moth - er laid her Ba - by in a man - ger

A musical score for two voices (SA) and piano. The vocal parts sing eighth-note patterns, and the piano provides harmonic support.

22

for His bed. Ma - ry was that moth - er mild,

A musical score for two voices (SA) and piano. The vocal parts sing eighth-note patterns, and the piano provides harmonic support.

Glory in the Highest!

Words by **Lloyd Larson** and Traditional French Carol

Music by Lloyd Larson
Incorporating GLORIA,
Traditional French Carol

(28) Joyously ♩ = ca. 108

4 SA
TB

Glo - ri - a! We sing glo - ry in the high - est!

7

Peace to all the earth. Glo - ri - a! We sing

10

glo - ry in the high - est! Cel - e-brate the ho - ly Sav - - ior's

13 [29] birth.

birth, His ho - ly birth.

There were shep - herds in____ the

16

lone - ly fields____ guard-ing flocks of sheep____ by night when

Joy of Every Longing Heart

53

Words by

Marcus Aurelius C. Prudentius, 4th c.;
tr. John M. Neale, 1854,
and Henry W. Baker, 1859

Arranged by Lloyd Larson

Tunes: JESU, JOY OF MAN'S DESIRING,
from BMV 147 by J. S. Bach
and DIVINUM MYSTERIUM,
Plainsong, 13th c.

Gentle, steady tempo $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 69$ simile

(35)

4

7 (36) SA

TB

mp

Of the Fa-ther's love be -

BA

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10

got - ten, ere the worlds be - gan—— to be,——

He is Al - pha and O - me - ga, He the source, the end -

13

16

ing He,—— of the things that are, that have been,—

Worship Christ, the Newborn King

Words by Lloyd Larson,
Mary MacDonald, 19th c.,
William C. Dix, 1865

Music by Lloyd Larson
Quoting: GREENSLEEVES,
Traditional English Melody

[41] Slowly, very freely $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 88$

15 [42] Tenderly, steadily $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 84$

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19 SA **p**

Child in the man - ger, In - fant of Ma - ry,

23

out - cast and stran - ger, Lord of all.

27 SA **mp**

Child who in - her - its all our trans - ges - sions,

TB **mp**

Sing Joy to All the World!

Words by
Isaac Watts, 1719

Arranged by Lloyd Larson
Tune: ANTIOCH
by Lowell Mason, 1848,
based on George Frederic Handel, 1742

(48) **Boldly** ♩ = ca. 96

SA

Joy, Joy, joy to all the world!

TB

joy, joy to all the world! Sing

Boldly ♩ = ca. 96

tr

f

4

Joy, Joy, joy to all the world! Sing joy! Sing

cresc.

joy, joy to all the world! Sing joy, sing for joy!

cresc.

cresc.

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75

(49)

rit. ***ff*** *a tempo*

joy! Sing joy!

ff *a tempo*

rit.

ff *a tempo*

10 Joy to the world! the Lord is

f

f

13 come; let earth re - ceive her