



**Handbell Music Reviews
September 2019**

These reviews feature music for all seasons with piano, organ or synthesizer. Many bell ringers are also pianists or organists. We have a fantastic pianist at our church who loves to play with the handbell choir!

Easter Joy (Joy) Puer Nobis

Arr Buckwalter

3456 octaves with optional Piano

Level 2

This is a great way to start a worship services or concert! It's a high energy arrangement of the well known hymn tune, Puer Nobis! This hymn tune also has words from other Christian seasons – Christmas – What Star Is This with Beams So Bright and for Advent On Jordan's Bank the Baptists Cry. It's easy to ring but sounds fantastic with the addition of the piano!

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Arr Sherman

345 octaves with keyboard

Level 2+

This well known hymn tune works for any worship service! A festive fanfare starts the piece and then the melody switches between the piano and ringers. This arrangement gives new life to this old Welsh hymn.

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In a Manger

Arr Raney

345 octaves with piano

Level 2+

This arrangement includes both the Murray and Kirkpatrick tunes for Away in a Manger. The piano part fits perfectly with the bell part but what would you expect with Joel's arrangements! Both the bell and piano parts are very interesting for all musicians! As you plan your Christmas repertoire – be sure to choose one piece with piano accompaniment – it will add additional colour and joy to your program.

Fly Me to the Moon

Arr Raney

456 octaves with Choirchimes®, organ (synthesizer) and percussion

Level 4+

This is a jazzy arrangement of Fly Me to the Moon will have ringers and audiences dancing! This a great stretch for Copper Choirs who want to do something more advanced but have the support of the keyboard to help decrease their stress levels! If you are looking for the one “WOW” piece for your concert – this is it!

Jesus Loves Me

Arr Raney

345 octaves with Piano opt Choirchimes®

Level 2

This classic hymn will fit really anywhere in the church year. The piano adds to the music so that it sounds much more difficult than a level 2. All of Joel Raney's music is exceptional and you will be glad that you have added this one to your repertoire!

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Jolly Old Saint Nicholas

Arr Raney

345 octaves with opt Choirchimes®, Synthesizer, Percussion

Level 4

Looking for something jazzy for your Christmas Concert? This one works! Because of the jazzy chromatics, ringers will have to think outside the box and share their bells with their neighbours so that the bell changes can be smooth and musical! Nice challenge for ringers and great listening for the audience! Add the synthesizer and percussion and you have one fantastic piece!

Hymn Dazzlers Set 1 and 2

Arr Raney

345 octaves with piano/organ/congregation

Level 2

This will truly be a “WOW” for music for worship if you choose to do these arrangements. These are great arrangements where you can bring bells, piano, organ and congregation all together! The ringers part is level to so not much practice needed! Hymn tunes for Hymn Dazzlers Set 1 include How Firm a Foundation, O Come All Ye Faithful and Praise to the Lord, the Almighty. For Hymn Dazzlers Set 2, Crown Him with Many Crowns, Rejoice the Lord is King and Amazing Grace are included.

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