

A CHRISTMAS CAROL IN BETHLEHEM

*A Christmas Program Based Upon a Story by Charles Dickens
Adapted and Arranged by Anna Laura Page and Jean Anne Shafferman*

1. OVERTURE - The Sussex Carol

(During Overture, Narrator, Reader & Scrooge take their places.)

(♩ = ca. 60)

KEYBOARD

mp

cresc.

mf

mp

rit.

* Trad. English carol.

NARRATOR: Journey with us to a night long ago in the little town of Bethlehem, and to a dark room in the Bethlehem Inn. Here sits Ebenezer Scrooge, the Innkeeper, counting his money.

2. O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

(Choir enters singing. Mrs. Cratchit & Tiny Tim move to their shed; Mr. Cratchit, Mary & Joseph move to front desk; Scrooge counts his money & annotates his accounts ledger.)

(♩ = ca. 108)

KEYBOARD

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4 **SOPRANO** *mp* (+ opt. congregation)

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TENOR *O lit - tle town of

BASS *mp*

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Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie. A -

* Traditional Surrey village ballad; Words by Phillips Brooks (1835-1893).