

CAROLS

for Solo Singers

10 Seasonal Favorites Arranged for Solo Voice and Piano
For Recitals and Concerts

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Cover Art: *Madonna with Child*, ca. 1997
by Sancilius Ismael (Haitian, 1940–2000)
Acrylic on canvas (8" X 10")

From the collection of Jay Althouse and Sally K. Albrecht

About the cover: Haitian art was largely unknown outside Haiti until the early 1940s when it was "discovered" by an American school teacher named Dewitt Peters. Haitian folk painters embrace various styles, ranging from primitive, voodoo-influenced works to the refined and complex painting of Sancilius Ismael. Born in L'Artibonite, Ismael studied briefly at the Centre d'Art in Port-au-Prince. *Madonna with Child* exemplifies his style of meticulously detailed and colorful work.



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3. HOW FAR IS IT TO BETHLEHEM?

Arranged by
MARK HAYES (ASCAP)

English Carol
Words by FRANCES CHESTERTON
alt. by MARK HAYES

Moderately (♩ = ca. 88-92)

The first system of the musical score consists of three staves. The top staff is a vocal line with a treble clef, a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat), and a 3/4 time signature. It begins with a whole rest for the first six measures. The middle staff is the right-hand piano accompaniment, starting with a mezzo-piano (*mp*) dynamic. The bottom staff is the left-hand piano accompaniment, starting with a whole rest for the first measure, followed by a series of chords and moving lines.

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The second system of the musical score continues from the first. The vocal line (top staff) has a whole rest for measures 7-11, then begins with the lyrics "How_ far is it to" starting at measure 12. The piano accompaniment (middle and bottom staves) continues with a steady eighth-note accompaniment in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand. A mezzo-piano (*mp*) dynamic marking is present above measure 12, which is also boxed with the number 12.

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The third system of the musical score continues from the second. The vocal line (top staff) has the lyrics "Beth - le-hem: not ver - y far. Shall_ we find the sta - ble room" starting at measure 13. The piano accompaniment (middle and bottom staves) continues with the same eighth-note accompaniment and bass line.

5. KLING, GLÖCKCHEN

(Ring, Little Bells)

Arranged, with English words, by
VICKI TUCKER COURTNEY (ASCAP)

Traditional German Carol

Joyfully (♩ = ca. 100-108)

5 *mf*

*Klin - ge - lin - ge - ling.

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Klin - ge - lin - ge - ling. Klin - ge - lin - ge - ling. Klin - ge - lin - ge - ling. Kling, glöck - chen,

10 *mp*

klin - ge - lin - ge - ling. Kling, glöck - chen, kling! { Win - ter snow is fall - ing.
Laßt mich ein, ihr Kin - der,

mp

The musical score is written in 2/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of three systems of music. The first system (measures 1-5) features a vocal line starting at measure 5 with a box containing the number '5' and a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic marking. The piano accompaniment begins at measure 1. The second system (measures 6-9) has a vocal line starting at measure 6 with a box containing the number '6' and a box containing the number '9'. The piano accompaniment continues. The third system (measures 10-13) has a vocal line starting at measure 10 with a box containing the number '10' and a mezzo-piano (*mp*) dynamic marking. The piano accompaniment also has a mezzo-piano (*mp*) dynamic marking. The score includes lyrics in German and English, with a bracketed English translation for the final phrase.

* See page 26 for German pronunciation guide.

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