REHEARSAL NOTES

An English Hymn Sketchbook is a collection of three hymn tunes from England that are in wide use in today's churches. They may be used as Prelude, Offertory, and Postude in a worship service, or played separately. Down Ampney is a medium-sized village located the Cotswold district in Gloucestershire, and is the birthplace of Ralph Vaughan Williams. "Forest Green" did not originate as a hymn tune, but as an English folk tune associated with the text "The Ploughboy's Dream". "Kingsfold" is the oldest of the three tunes, possibly dating to the Middle Ages. Vaughan Williams heard the tune in Kingsfold, Sussex It is used with many hymn texts.

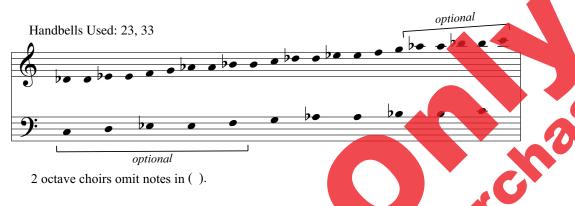


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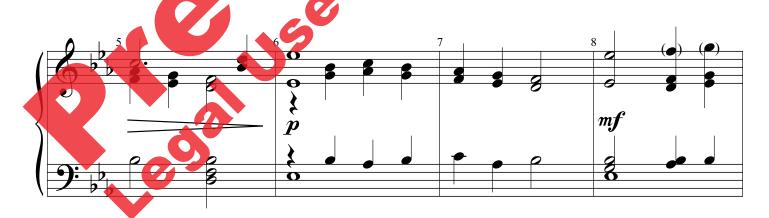
for 2-3 octaves of Handbells

Prelude: Down Ampney



DOWN AMPNEY, English Hymn Tune Arranged by Sondra K. Tucker (ASCAP)





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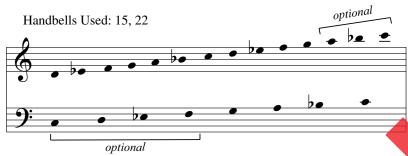
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Offertory: Forest Green

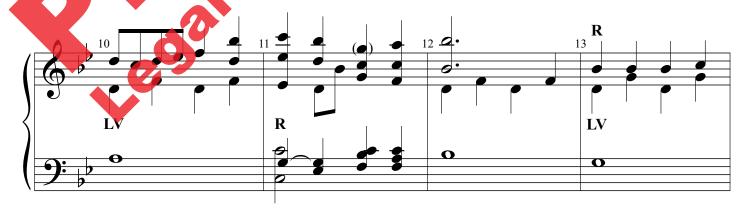


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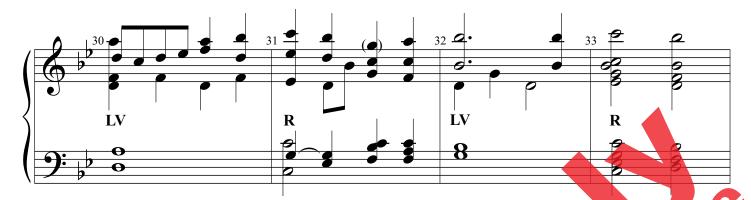
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Postlude: Kingsfold



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