Bell Trees are Growing!

Music for Beginners and Christmas, Helpful Hints for Beginning Bell Tree Ringers, and More!

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Bell Trees for Beginners

Bell Trees have been growing in popularity over the last few years, as ringers find new and exciting ways to make beautiful music with our instrument. Bell Trees allow a great range of bells to be covered by a single ringer, are a great way to ring "on the go", and work well in outdoor settings or in places where an unusual set up is called for. That's not to mention the "WOW" factor they create as their lovely melodies soar over a variety of accompaniments, such as piano, guitar or even full handbell or handchime choirs!

Here's what you need to get started...

- Bells, of course!
- Somewhere to hang your tree, like our bell tree stand.
- Separators, to keep the castings from touching.
- Mallets.
- Music. Lots of music!

See pages 4-5 for bell tree stands and all the accessories you need to get started. And a great listing of music perfect for beginning bell tree ringers begins on page 6

How do I set up my bell tree?

Stringing a bell tree

- 1. Start by determining which bells will be included in the bell tree. Number the bells starting with the lowest bell as #1 (e.g., stringing C5-C6, C5 is bell 1 and C6 is bell 8).

2. Place bell #1 on the table to your right. Bell #2 to your left leaving 15 inches between bells. Bell #3 behind #1.



- 3. Move bell #1 to center of the space. Lay it on its side with the handle bell name facing up and the handle pointing away to the left.
- 4. Position bell #2 on its side with the handled turned so the table shows through the handle loop and the top of the handle is pointing toward bell #1 handle.



Slide the handle of bell #2 into the handle loop of bell #1



- 6. Turn bell#2 until the handle bell name is facing up.
- 7. Repeat steps 4-6 with bell #3 going into bell #2. Continue with bell #4 into #3 and so forth.

If the castings touch, place a separator on the handguard to lift the handle of the bell above. Commercial separators may be used or a short 3/8" dowel.

Reprinted from "Bell Tree Hymn Embellishments" (NMHB671) by Karen Van Wert.

<u>Helpful hints...</u>

- While not all bells in the scale may be required for a specific piece, it's usually a good idea to string all bells within the range so each bell sits in the "proper" position on left (space notes) and right (line notes) sides. This creates a standard bell tree "keyboard". This helps learn the keyboard placement of bells that will be used in other pieces. Usually the top bell points to the right on a single string.
- To keep the strings from swinging or twisting, you may try wrapping a band tightly around the bell tree arm and the top bell handle.
- Try to hang the bell tree high enough so the center of the bell string is about shoulder height. Make sure the bell tree stand is secure. The base may need to be weighted down.
- For extra musicality, experiment with different hardness mallets in the space you will perform.

• To make identifying notes easier, try taping the note names to the handguards.

• For an authoritative and complete introduction to creating and using bell trees and the keyboard method, please see *A Bell Tree Keyboard Manual* (TO117) by Barbara Brocker.

• Have fun and make beautiful music!!!

Special thanks to Kath Wissinger of ringTrue Music (a great catalog with lots of fun and useful bell tree music!) and Karen Van Wert for their contributions to this article.

Everything you need for your own Bell Tree!

Bell Tree Stands

Ringing with bell trees is becoming more popular, and these stands make the use of bell trees and malleted bells easier. Bell handles are held securely in place by inconspicuous O rings that can be positioned according to your needs - just slip a bell handle onto an arm, roll the rubber rings into place on each side of the handle, and you're ready to ring!

Bell Tree Stands are shipped in a single package which includes the base, the pole, two arms, a pack of O-rings, 4 lockable casters, and all assembly hardware.

The base measures at 24 inches and weights about 14 pounds. Base is created with 2 interlocking pieces secured with a cap screw (included) and includes an allen wrench for easy set up. Each of the 4 legs/feet adjust to conform to uneven floors. Lockable casters (4 included) may be attached for more mobility.

Bell Tree Pole is 50 inches tall in the lowest position; inner pole extends to 61, 65, 69 & 73 inches. *Note: extension measurements include the base height. Pole attaches to base with 4 bolts and wing nuts (included).*

Each arm measure at 12 inches and slides onto pole from the top. Two wing nuts in a clamp & plate assembly hold arm securely at the desired position. 6 O-rings per arm are included.

The base, the bottom (stationary) portion of the pole, and the arms are powder-coated steel; the upper (extension) portion of the pole is silver.

Additional arms, caster sets, and replacement parts are available.

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Bell Tree Stand with 2 arms	#9010	\$395.00
Additional arms (each)	#9011	\$50.00
Wheels/Casters (set of 4)	#9022	\$35.00

MALLETS & ACCESSORIES

TruTimbre™ Bell Tree Mallets

We make every mallet with one goal in mind - to give you the best possible sound from your bells! Our Bell Tree mallets are 9" in length, providing better

control and more strike point accuracy. The rubber, poly, or nylon heads produce a clear sound without being shrill, while the black handles, imprinted with the bell range, help to distinguish the Bell Tree Mallets from the Standard Mallets.

Brown Rubber Bell Tree Mallet	C6-A6	#4006B	\$18.00
White Poly Bell Tree Mallet	G6-C8	#4007B	\$18.00

Black Rubber Bell Tree Mallet	C6-G7	#4026B	\$18.00
White Nylon Bell Tree Mallet	C7-G8	#4027B	\$18.00

Acrylic Bell Tree Separators

Acrylic bell tree separators are recommended for bell tree use of handbells B5 and below (not recommended for bells below G4). The unique design eliminates swaying and keeps the bell casting from touching the handle of the bell beside it.

Set of 3:	#9023	\$25.00
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Wire Bell Tree Separator Clips

These Wire Bell Tree Separator

Clips are recommended for bell trees using bells C6 and above. The unique design eliminates swaying and keeps the bell casting from touching the handle of the bell beside it.

Set of 5	#9020	\$17.50
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Bell Tree Guards

Bell Tree processionals are becoming ever more popular, but interlocking the handles can be a problem. The handles of smaller bells can slip over the hand guard of the interlocked bell, and over the casting. Bell Tree Guards prevent that slippage, so your ringers can proceed with confidence.

White	#4030W	\$1.25
Black	#4030B	\$1.25



Bell Tree Stand Travel Case

Wheels and a comfortable handle make the storage and transport of Bell Tree Stands and accessories much easier • protects Bell Tree equipment during storage • key locks (comes with 2 keys) • lined with egg crate foam, including a removable 3/4" thick foam piece that can be customized as needed • hinges lock at 90 degrees to prevent the lid from falling backwards

BT Stand Travel Case	#9019	\$250.00

Bell Trees for Beginners

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8 Bells for Carols vol. 1 - Easy

arr. Kathleen Wissinger

1, 2, or 3 oct BT solo w/ opt HC

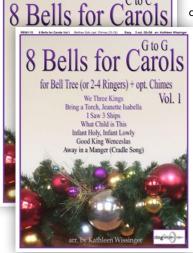
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\$10.00

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Rating: Easy

Share some holiday cheer with



a lovely selection of Bell Tree pieces using only 8 bells. 8 Bells for Carols is perfect for ringing at Red Kettles, in small spaces, or as a palate cleanser during a concert. Each volume features 7 or 8 holiday tunes for bell tree solo (or duet), or 4iH duet, or 3 or 4 ringers using 8 Bells - either G5 to G6 (2

octaves) or C5-C6 or C6 to C7 (1 or 3 octaves) - plus an optional chime solo for

added harmony.



libells Used: C6, D6, E6, F6, G6, A6, Bb6, C7 Hand Chimes Used: (D5), F5, G5, A5, Bb5, B5, C6, C#6, D6, Eb6, E6, F6 - or - C5, D5, E5, F5, G5, A5, Bb5, C6





Abide With Me

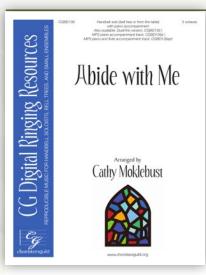
arr. Cathy Moklebust

3 oct HB Solo w/ piano and opt flute

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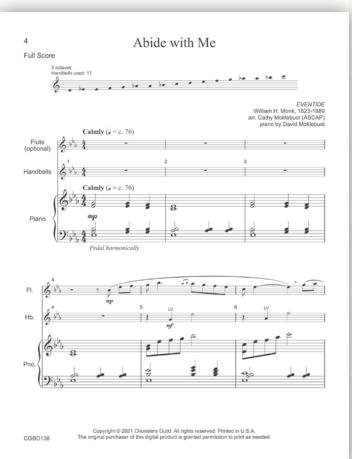
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Cathy Moklebust has arranged William Monk's beloved tune EVENTIDE in a gentle, calming style for handbell solo with piano accompaniment and optional flute. Although the arrangement begins softly, the final stanza reaches strong, emotional heights before concluding in the same gentle style as the beginning. This very easy, 3-octave solo may be played on bell tree or rung from the table. Uses 17 bells from D5 through C7.







Amazing Grace

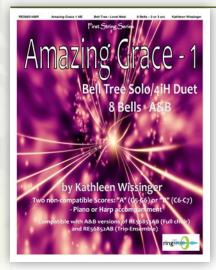
arr. Kathleen Wissinger

2-3 oct BT Level: 3 solo, duet, or ens w/ piano or harp

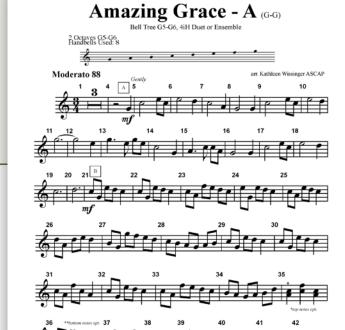
Rating: Easy

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Refresh your vision of this beloved tune with "Amazing Grace 1" playable as a 1-octave Bell Tree Solo, a 4iH Duet, or an 8-Bell Ensemble with piano or harp accompaniment. Bells and accompaniment work together to weave a lovely tapestry. Written as a first-experience Bell Tree piece for an adept ringer, the patterns in the Bell Tree sound complex but are easy to learn. It's perfect for any part of a worship service.





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Amazing Grace - B (Bell Tree/Piano)

Piano Accompaniment for C6-C7 Bell Tree

Companible with the "B" revision of RESOSCALD England and RESOSCALD For Chair scores

Amazing Grace

arr. Kathleen Wissinger

3-5 oct HB Level: 2w/ multiple performance options

Rating: Easy

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\$12.00



For a small ensemble with a soloist, or a soloist and piano, this thoughtful and lovely arrangement features an easy solo part - for Bell Tree solo, rung solo/duet/4iH duet/ ensemble, C instrument, or voice - accompanied by a calm arpeggiated pattern playable by 5 (or more) ringers on chimes or bells. Individual quintet parts and full ringing (or piano) accompaniment scores are included.







Angel Noels

arr. Karen Lakey Buckwalter

3 or 5 oct BT solo w/ piano accomp

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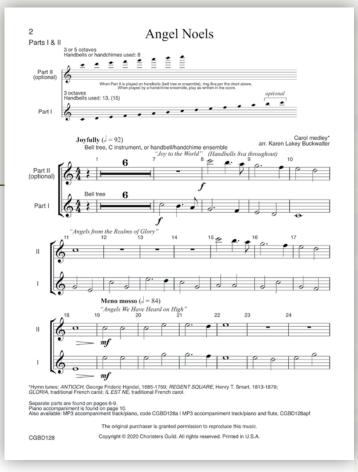


Rating: Easy

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Perfect for church or concert, "Angel Noels" is a Christmas medley by Karen Buckwalter incorporating several well-known carols. Originally conceived as a bell tree duet with piano, it has been adapted as a bell tree solo (3 octaves, C5-C7) with an optional second part for C instrument, a second bell tree (5 octaves, C7-C8) or small ensemble (8 bells C7 to C8 or 8 chimes C6 to C7).







Carol of the Bells

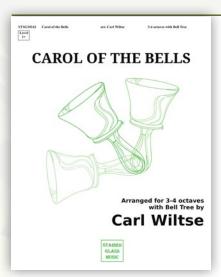
arr. Carl Wiltse

3-4 oct HB w/ BT solo Level: 1+

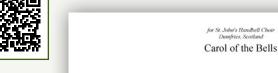
Rating: Easy

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\$4.25



Easily learned, this arrangement of the traditional Ukrainian carol can be memorized by the bell tree ringer, who can then process as she/he plays. Soloist and bell choir take turns with the melody, creating a piece that is fun to play and a joy to hear. No duplicate bells are needed.









* 4 octave choirs omit A4



Christmas Triplets

arr. Barbara Brocker & Jodie Bischof

2-3 oct BT solo w/ keyboard accomp & opt C-inst

Rating: Easy

MTO 129

\$4.95

Beginning bell tree ringers need melodies they know, with only 8 or 9 bells to play. This arrangement includes three familiar hymns: "Joy to the World", "The First Noel", and "Away in a Manger". It can be played with either a C5 to C6 bell tree, a C6 to C7 bell tree, or combinations of both. Solo part and piano accompaniment are included, as well as an optional descant for a C instrument or another bell tree ringer.



Christmas Triplets

Bell Tree Solo with Organ or Keyboard with Sustain Capabilitie
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2 or 3 Octaves

Joy To the World The First Noel Away in a Manager Traditional arr. Barbara Brocker

The entire piece can be played on C5 to C6:



Option: The entire piece can also be played on C6-C7 or combinations of C5-C6 and C6-C7.



Option: For multiple players: Verse 1 with player 1; verse 2 with player 2; verse 3 with player 3; all players on reprise.

This can also be played on the Bell Tree "Keyboard" setup (see <u>The Bell Tree Keyboard Manual</u> by B. Brocker, Tree-O Publishing #117).







Contemplation

arr. Barbara Brocker & Carol Scheel

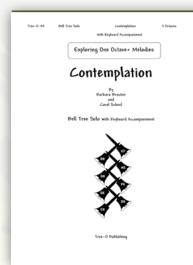
3 oct BT solo w/ keyboard accomp

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Bell tree solo with downloadable digital keyboard accompaniment. This Grab and Go title is a "Learn on Tuesday - Play on Sunday" piece suitable for an experienced musician new to bell trees or a beginning bell tree ringer. Medley includes "Sweet Hour of Prayer", "Just As I Am", and "Jesus Loves Me".

Contemplation



Medley:

When the C6 casting "points" to the left, this can be the Bell Tree "Keyboard" setup (see The Bell Tree Keyboard Manual by B. Brocker, Tree-O Publications #1175.

Sweet Hour of Prayer Just As I Am Jesus Loves Me









Covenant

Kathleen Wissinger

3 oct HB w/ opt C-inst or Bell Tree Rating: Easy

MRE3029

\$4.00



"Covenant" is bold and uplifting, perfect for worship, concert, or school programs. It involves every ringer throughout and is fun to ring with its not-so-usual ABC form in Eb major. Subtitled "The Road Home", this is also a great teaching piece. Clever and engaging, simple and straightforward, the performance time is 1:45. Part for C-instrument or Bell Tree is included.







Fantasy on "Carol of the Bells"

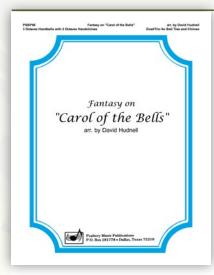
arr. David Hudnall

3 oct BT solo or duet w/ 2 oct HC

MPSBP06



\$4.50



This fantasy on the traditional "Ukrainian Carol" was written for a bell tree soloist with chime choir accompaniment. The included performance notes are helpful, listing multiple ways the piece may be performed as well as instructions on the proper way to Shelly ring handchimes.







A Festive Introit

Victor L. Gumma

3 oct BT duet w/ HB choir accomp

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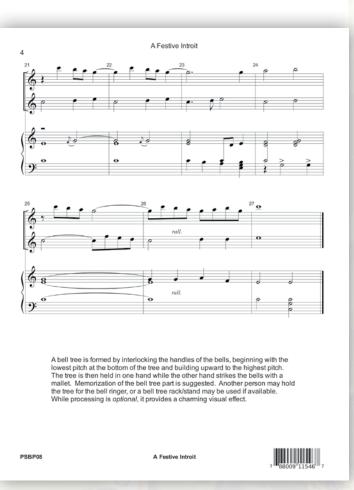
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This short, fanfare-like piece in C Major would be the perfect introduction into any celebratory hymn tune in the same key. The bell tree processional is optional but suggested. Bell tree 1 uses G6-C7, bell tree 2 uses C6-F6, and ringers playing from the table use bells C4-B5.







Glad Tidings

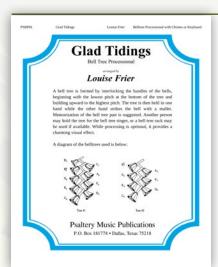
Louise Frier

3-4 oct BT duet w/ 3 oct HC or keyboard

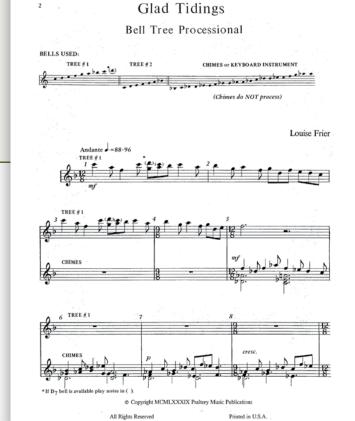
Rating: Easy

MPSBP01

\$3.75



We've heard a great deal about bell trees recently, and this processional for two bell tree ringers with a chime choir (or keyboard) will showcase the versatility of bell trees. Bell tree 1 uses C6 to C7 (with opt D7), and bell tree 2 uses C5 to Bb5. The chimes do not process. Impress your congregation while challenging two good ringers!







Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!

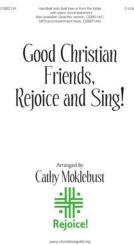
arr. Cathy Moklebust

2 oct HB solo w/ piano Rating: Easy

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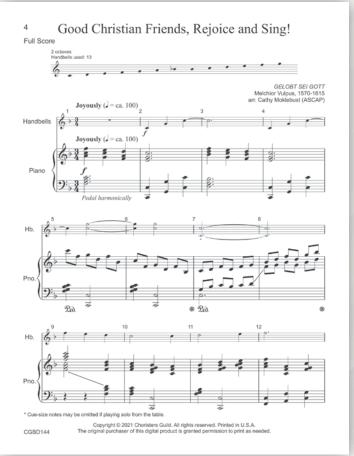




Cathy Moklebust's joyous arrangement of Melchior Vulpius' tune GELOBT SEI GOTT will be especially appropriate for Easter and Eastertide. A fanfare opening and closing surround a flowing, gentler stanza which gives the accompanist the main hymn tune. This easy, 2-octave solo may be played on bell tree or rung from the table by omitting the cue-sized notes. Uses 13 bells from C5 through G6.

GELOBT SEI GOTT Melchior Vulpus, 1570-1615 arr. Cathy Moklebust (ASCAP) Joyously (= ca. 100) Joyously (= ca. 100) The companies of the co





Griffins' Hornpipe 2 (Praise God's Name With Dancing)

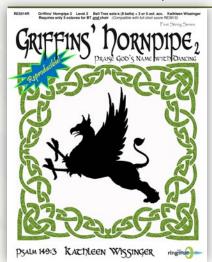
Kathleen Wissinger

3 oct BT solo Level: 2 w/3 or 5 oct HB choir accomp Rating: Easy

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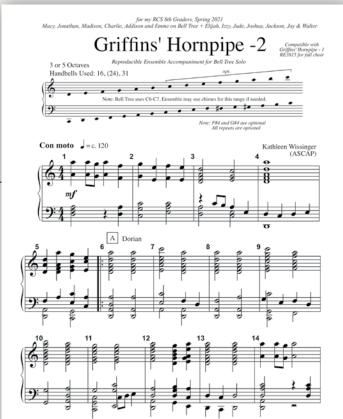
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Showcase from one to eight bell tree ringers with this catchy, original Celtic tune. The bell tree soloist plays C6-C7; the accompanying bell choir will need to use chimes or a second set of bells for those notes. The piece is easily learned and will brighten any concert, festival, or worship service (using the subtitle "Praise God's Name with Dancing" based on Psalm 149:3). Compatible with Griffins' Hornpipe 1 (full

choir) and 3 (bell tree solo with piano or guitar accomp.).







Griffins' Hornpipe 3 (Praise God's Name With Dancing)

Kathleen Wissinger

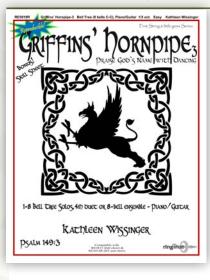
1-3 oct BT solo w/ piano or guitar

Rating: Easy

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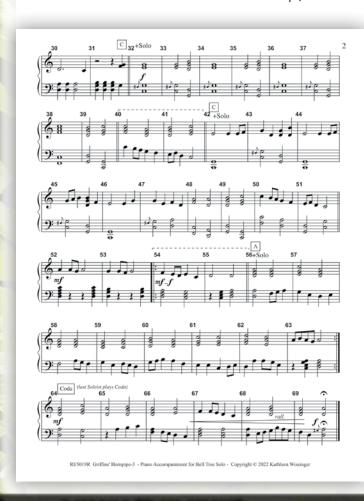
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This lively, original Celtic tune, using only 8 bells is ideal for beginning bell tree soloists. It starts in Dorian mode, shifts into Ionian, then back. It is equally at home in worship (with the subtitle "Praise God's Name with Dancing"), concert, festival, or classroom. Although conceived as a bell tree solo, it may be played by a 4-in-Hand duet or an 8-bell ensemble. Compatible with Griffins' Hornpipe 1 (full choir) and 2 (bell tree solo with HB choir accomp.).







Healing Cross

arr. Barbara Brocker & Guy Shepherd

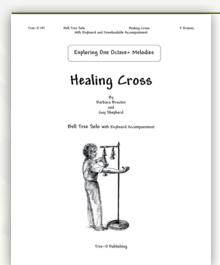
3 oct BT solo w/ keyboard accomp

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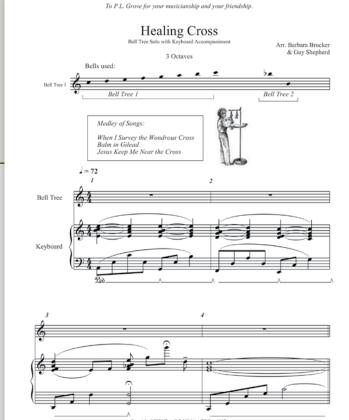


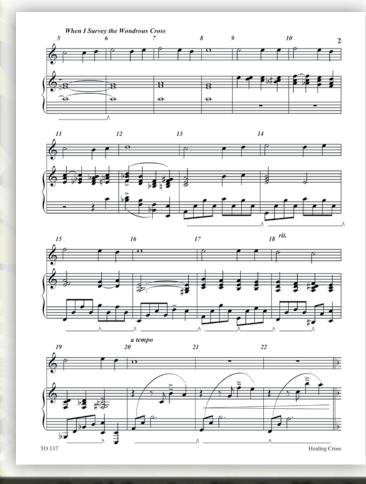
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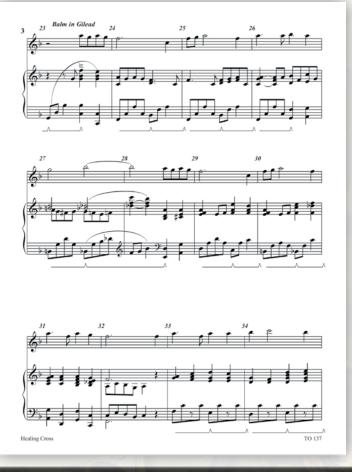
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For the church musician who needs something (quickly) for the Holy Week/Good Friday service. It is an ideal selection for the new bell tree ringer and includes pictures of how to set up the bell tree. Medley of songs: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"; "Balm in Gilead"; "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross". This Grab and Go piece is perfect to 'Learn on Tuesday; Play on Sunday'.







He Is Risen, He Is Risen!

arr. Cathy Moklebust

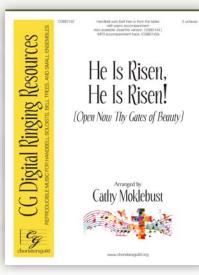
2 oct HB solo w/ piano accomp

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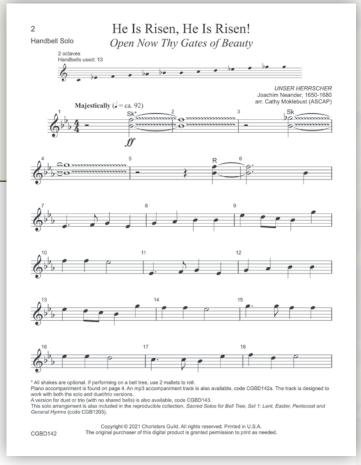


Rating: Easy

\$8.95



Celebrate Easter with "He Is Risen, He Is Risen!" a majestic arrangement of the hymn tune UNSER HERRSCHER. With a beginning and ending fanfare (using shakes or mallet rolls) bracketing a smoother, more lyrical mid-section, this will be a triumphal addition to your repertoire. This easy, 2-octave solo, using 13 bells from C5 through G6, may be played on bell tree or rung from the table by omitting the cue-sized notes.







Holy God We Praise Thy Name

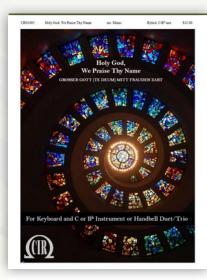
arr. Rolin R. Mains

Piano with C or Bb inst, 2-3 oct HB duet or trio, or BT solo

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Rating: Easy

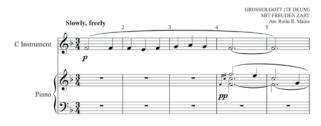
\$12.00



"Holy God, We Praise
Thy Name" is a traditional
Catholic hymn of praise
translated from the
German hymn GROSSER
GOTT, WIR LOBEN
DICH. This piece has
been beautifully arranged
for piano and C or Bb
instrument, handbell duet
or trio, or solo bell tree.
Listen for snippets of "Sing
Praise to God Who Reigns
Above" (MIT FREUDEN
ZART).

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

with Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above







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How Great Thou Art

arr. Brian Childers

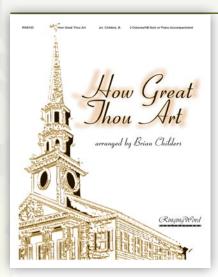
3 oct HB solo w/ piano accomp

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Rating: Easy

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Are you or one of your ringers interested in beginning bell solo work? This setting of the tune O STORE GUD, is a great piece to start. The tempo is slow, and the notes rarely stray far from one another. Although written as an off-the-table solo with a 2-measure bell tree chord, the entire piece could be played as a bell tree solo. A nice accompaniment adds interest and support.

How Great Thou Art

O store Gud arr. Brian Childers







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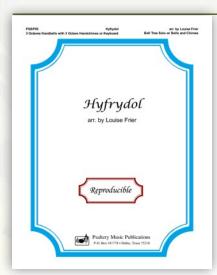
arr. Louise Frier

3 oct BT solo w/ 2 oct HB & 3 oct HC (or keyboard) Rating: Easy

MPSBP05

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This arrangement of the hymn tune HYFRYDOL combines a bell tree soloist with a small handbell ensemble and chime choir (or keyboard) accompaniment. With numerous texts associated with this tune, it is usable throughout the church year. This arrangement is particularly versatile, with multiple options for performance based on the number and skill of the ringers available. No additional handbells are needed.





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arr. Barbara Brocker & Guy Shepherd

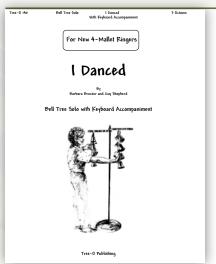
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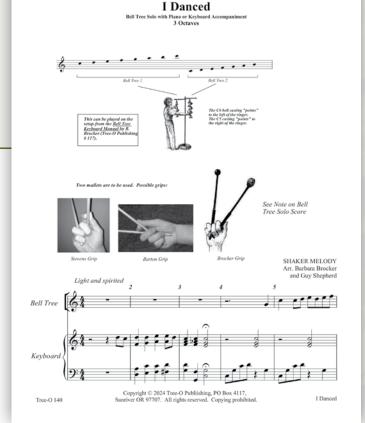


Rating: Easy

\$9.95



For bell tree ringers new to playing with 4 mallets, this simple piece has the two-mallet hand playing only on one side of the bell tree at a time. Other techniques are reduced to a minimum. It uses just two bell tree strings with no sharps or flats. May be performed in a secular or a sacred setting. The keyboard part and a pullout solo part are included.



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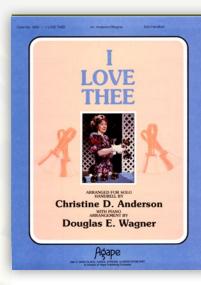
I Love Thee

arr. Christine D. Anderson & Douglas E. Wagner

3-4 oct HB solo w/ keyboard accomp Rating: Easy

MHP1653

\$12.95



In this arrangement of an old hymn tune, found in Jeremiah Ingalls' Christian Harmony (pub. 1805), interest is created with mallet techniques, changing rhythms from simple to compound, and the use of a bell tree at the beginning and at the end. Helpful performance notes are included.



I Love Thee







I'm Just a Poor Wayfaring Stranger

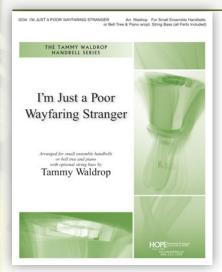
arr. Tammy Waldrop

3 oct BT solo (or sm ens) w/ piano & opt string bass

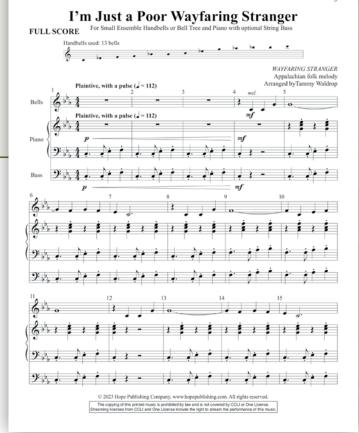
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Rating: Easy

\$16.95



"I'm Just a Poor Wayfaring Stranger" is one of Hope's best-selling pieces for full choir. Here, Tammy has arranged it for a small ensemble (13 bells) or bell tree solo with piano accompaniment and optional string bass. The American Mountain and Bluegrass music style in this piece is perfect for when you want something a little bit different. Price includes all parts.







Jesus Loves Me

arr. Barbara Brocker

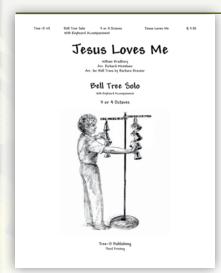
3-4 oct BT solo w/ keyboard accomp

MTO 119

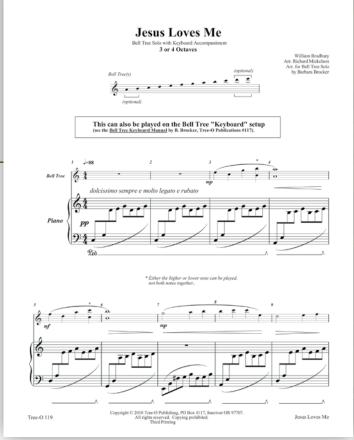


Rating: Easy

\$4.95



Lyrical, sweeping textures accompany the bell tree melody in this rendition of the favorite William Bradbury children's hymn. Brocker's 47-measure bell tree score is a setting of Richard Mickelson's arrangement. A separate part for bell tree solo is included.







Jesus Loves Me

arr. Kathleen Wissinger

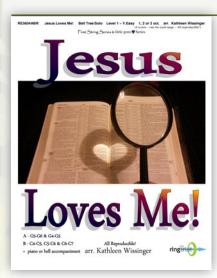
2-3 oct HB or BT solo Level: 1 w/ piano (or chime choir) accomp

Rating: Easy

MRE5604ABR

reproducible

\$9.00



Introduce an aspiring ringer to bell tree or off-the-table solo/duet ringing with this very easy, straightforward, 1 octave rendition of "Jesus Loves Me". It is playable on 1, 2 or 3 octaves thanks to five score formats. All BT scores can also played as Early Beginner piano scores - and each range has a very easy piano accompaniment allowing 2 young musicians to successfully collaborate in worship or concert.



Jesus Loves Me! - A1







Jesus Loves Me! - A2

Secondo - Piano (or Bells/Chimes C4-B5)









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For Caitlin and Karsyn Jesus Loves Me! - A3

Primo - Bells G4-G5 or Piano Piano (8va) Middle C position or RH 1 on D and LH 1 on B









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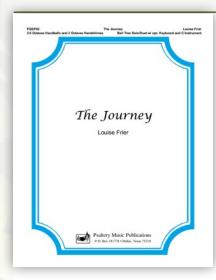
The Journey

Louise Frier

3-5 oct HB, BT duet, & 2 oct HC w/ opt keyboard & C-inst Rating: Easy

MPSBP02

\$5.95



A bell tree processional using 2 trees (G5-G6 & Bb6-G7) with chimes (Bb4-G6) and bells (C4-C5, opt C3, G3, & Bb3) or keyboard accompaniment. Only the trees process but are joined by other bells upon arrival at the bell tables. Alternately, the highest bell tree part may be played by a flute or recorder.





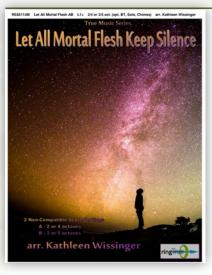


Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

arr. Kathleen Wissinger

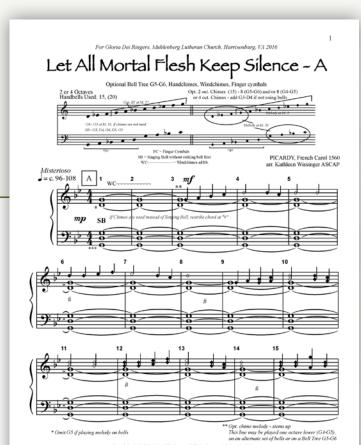
2-5 oct HB Level: 1+ Rating: Easy w/ opt BT solo, HC, & perc

MRE8511AB \$5.00



The reverence and awe of the Advent season is captured in this starkly simple rendition of "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" arranged by Kathleen Wissinger. The two noncompatible L1+ scores (in different keys) in the folio are based on PICARDY, a 16th century French carol, and feature optional bell tree and chime solos (in various ranges), wind chimes, and finger cymbals. Singing bell and the unhurried demeanor of

the piece summon a mystic quality that enhances worship, concert, and festival.







Little Rock

arr. Kathleen Wissinger

2-3 oct BT solo w/ piano

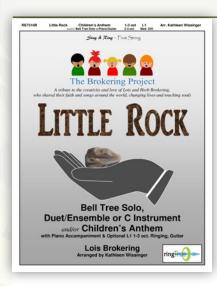
Level: 1+

Rating: Easy

MRE7510R

reproducible

\$18.00



"Little Rock", by Lois Brokering, is a simple engaging song about creation with a repetitive text and a catchy tune. Many performances options are included: a Bell Tree solo with piano; a children's anthem with either piano and opt. C-instrument and guitar or with self-accompanying chords in a charted chord score; a very easy, L1, 1-3 octave HB/HC score and more. Mix and match any or all of the possibilities!

Little Rock



Verse 2. Little star; Verse 3. Little tree Per Lois' instructions: Add more verses as desired: 4. Little girl, 5. Little boy, 6. Little Lord

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Little Rock

Bell Tree Solo, Bell Duet/Ensemble or C Instrumen



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Love Goes Round

arr. Laura Rothe

3 oct BT duet w/ HB choir accomp

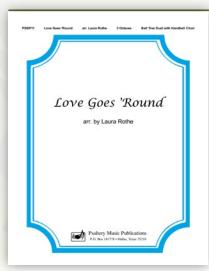
MPSBP11

reproducible



Rating: Easy

\$30.00



This arrangement of a traditional love song is written for 2 bell trees, each using 3 bells. Tree 1 uses F#5, G5 & A5. Tree 2 uses B4, C5 & D5. The bell trees are accompanied by the handbell choir which uses none of the bells in the trees. This modal piece would be very easy for the two bell tree ringers to memorize and play as a processional for a concert.

Love Goes 'Round'



Performance Notes:

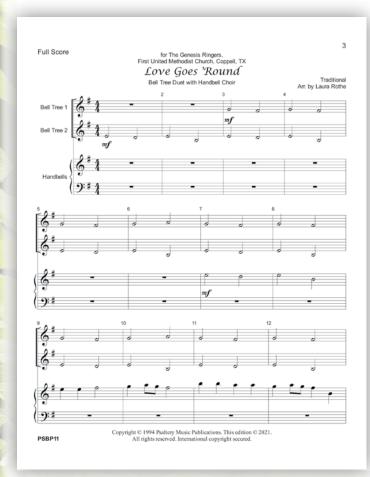
Performance Notes:

Bell Trees and bass bells at the table may be played on Orff instruments for variety.

Bass bells on the table may be malleted to provide contrast of sound.

A bell tree is formed by interlocking the handles of the bells, beginning with the lowest pitch at the bottom of the tree and building upward to the highest pitch. The tree is then held in one hand while the other hand strikes the bells with a mallet. Memorization of the bell tree part is suggested. Another person may hold the tree for the bell triger, or a bell tree rack/stand may be used if available. While processing is optional, it provides a charming visual effect.

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Miracle Child 1 & 2

Kathleen Wissinger

2-6 oct HB Level: 1+ Rating: Easy w/ opt BT or vocal solo & piano or HB choir accomp

MRE8723 MRE7512R HB choir w/ options unison voice(s) w/ options

\$5.00 \$20.00

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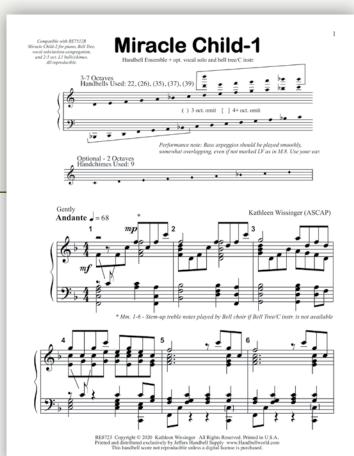
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Kathleen Wissinger

This gentle original Advent/ Christmas carol, "Miracle Child", reverently examines

the coming of the Christ
Child from different points
of view: prophets, the angel,
Mary, the shepherds, the
Magi, and us. "Miracle
Child 1" can stand alone
or accompany any of the
performance options in
"Miracle Child 2"; both
scores include the bell tree
solo part and "Miracle
Child 2" is reproducible in
its entirety.







My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

arr. Nancy Tipton

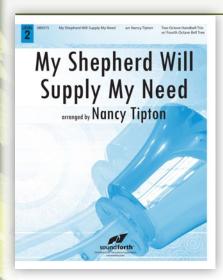
2-4 oct HB trio w/ BT

Level: 2

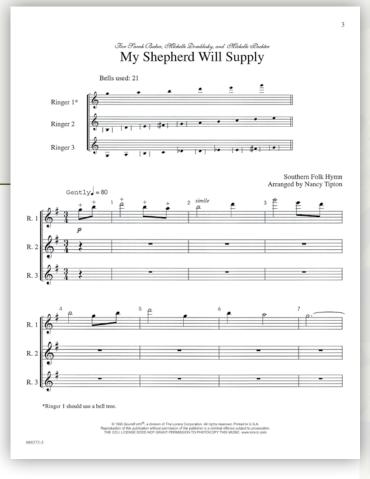
Rating: Easy

MSF089375

\$3.50



Each part in this trio is written on a separate staff. Ringer 1 plays a bell tree consisting of G6-G7, while the other 2 ringers use bells from G4 to E6. For the most part, the bell tree ringer plays the melody, while ringers 2 and 3 provided the underlying rhythm and chord structure.







O Holy Night

arr. Linda R. Lamb

3 oct HB or BT solo w/ piano accomp

MGMH010035



Rating: Easy

\$7.95



Linda Lamb's arrangement of this cherished Christmas classic is a rich and reverent setting that captures the awe and majesty of the season with flowing lines and elegant harmonies. For those soloists wishing to rehearse or who don't have a piano available for performance, an MP3 accompaniment track is also available.

For Reagan, for her senior year

O Holy Night

for Handbell or Belltree Solo

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Adolphe Adam Arranged by Linda R. Lamb (ASCAP)









Peace Medley

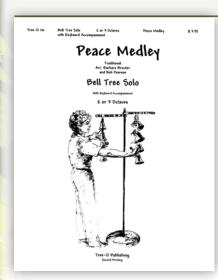
arr. Barbara Brocker & Rob Pearson

2-3 oct BT solo w/ keyboard accomp

Rating: Easy

MTO 116

\$4.95



"Peace Is Flowing Like a River", "I've Got Peace Like a River", and "Dona Nobis Pacem" are the three titles found in this medley. 8-9 bells are needed for the bell tree and range from G5 to A6. This folio contains both the full score (bells/piano) and a separate part for the bell tree player.

Peace Medley Bell Tree Solo with Keyboard Accompan 2 or 3 Octaves

Peace Is Flowing Like a River I've Got Peace Like a River Dona Nobis Pacem

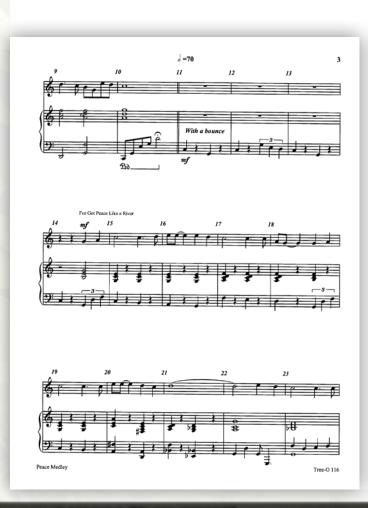
Traditional rr. Barbara Brocker



This can also be played on the Bell Tree "Keyboard" setup (see The Bell Tree Keyboard Manual by B. Brocker, Tree-O Publications #117).









Praises

Barbara Brocker & Rob Pearson

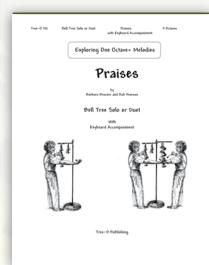
3 oct BT solo or duet w/ keyboard accomp

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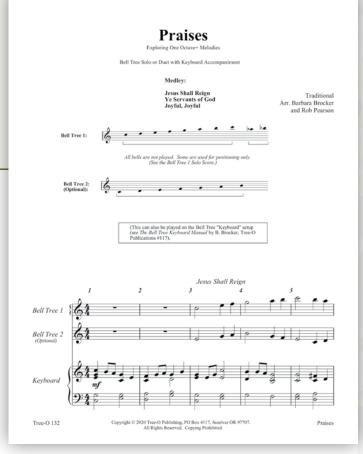


Rating: Easy

\$5.95



A medley of familiar melodies ("Jesus Shall Reign"; "Ye Servants of God"; and "Joyful, Joyful") makes this Grab and Go piece ideal for the church musician to 'Learn on Tuesday - Play on Sunday'. The solo may be played by a beginning bell tree ringer or played as a duet with a teacher or more experienced player playing the lower part. Solo is C6 to C7 with a small tree behind, and lower duet part is C5 to B5.







Quiet Prayer

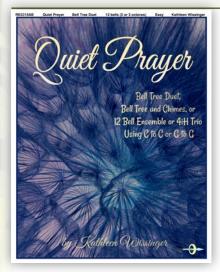
Kathleen Wissinger

2-3 oct BT solo or duet

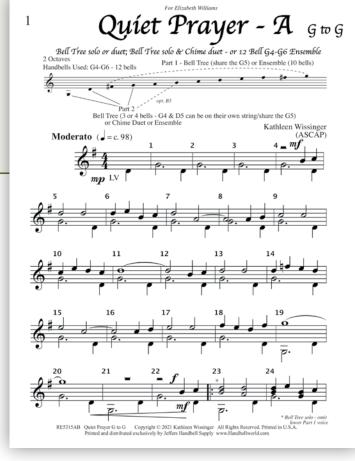
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Rating: Easy

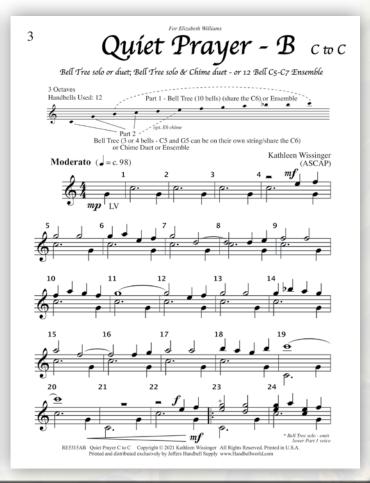
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Perfect for a quiet moment in worship or concert, this piece features a lovely melody with a simple ostinato in the lower bells. Ideal for a bell tree duet (sharing one bell), it can also be played as a bell tree/hand chime duet by omitting the embellished voice, as a 12-bell ensemble, or as a 4iH trio. With two different ranges (G4-G6 or C5-C7) you can choose the one best suited to your ringers.







Riu Riu Chiu

arr. Eric Rothe

3 oct BT Duet Level: 1 w/ HB ens & opt glockenspiel

Rating: Easy

MPSBP09

reproducible

\$30.00



This catchy 16th-century Spanish carol is arranged for 2 bell trees, each comprised of 5 bells, six handbells playing a rhythmic accompaniment, and an optional Glockenspiel playing a repeated ostinato pattern. A flutist may play the Bell Tree 1 part if desired, and other percussion instruments may be added, as available. Only one 3 octave set of bells is needed, as there are no shared bells between the parts.



Riu, Riu, Chiu







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Sacred Solos for Bell Tree Set 1: Lent, Easter, Dentes et and Consul He

Pentecost and General Hymns

arr. Cathy Moklebust

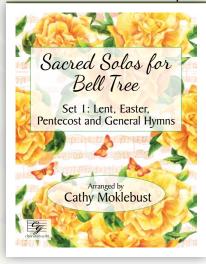
2-3 oct BT solo collection w/ piano and opt flute

Rating: Easy

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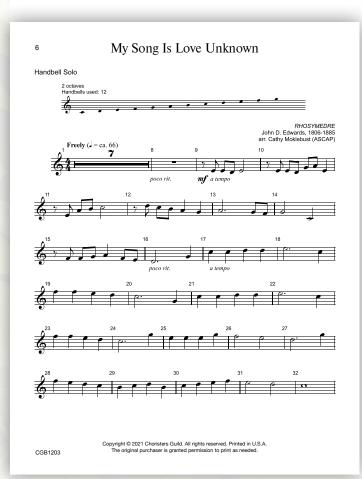
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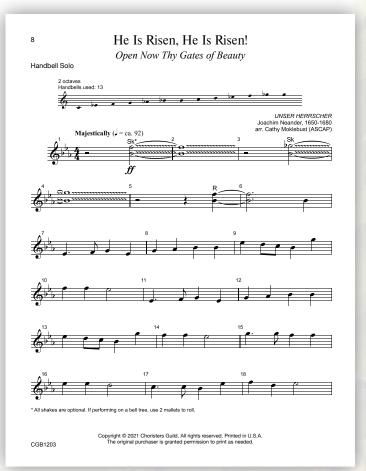
\$33.95



Here is the first in a series of collections for bell tree soloists with piano accompaniments. These accessible solos range from 2 to 3 octaves, and are also playable from the table with a few modifications.







Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

arr. Barbara Brocker

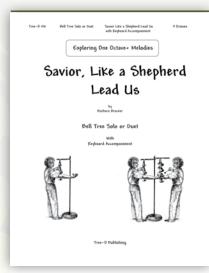
3 oct BT solo or duet w/ keyboard accomp

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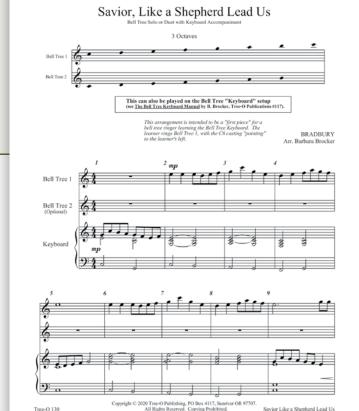


Rating: Easy

\$5.95



This arrangement is intended to be a first piece for a bell tree ringer learning the Bell Tree Keyboard. Using only one octave each, the learner rings Bell Tree 1 with a teacher or another ringer playing Bell Tree 2 or it may be rung as a solo. This Grab and Go piece is also written for the church musician who needs a piece quickly to add to their online services. Easy enough to 'Learn on Tuesday - Play on Sunday'.







Solfeggietto

arr. Brian Childers

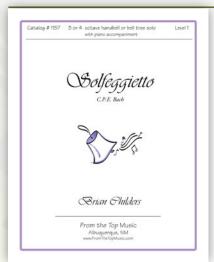
3-4 oct HB solo w/ piano accomp

Level: 1

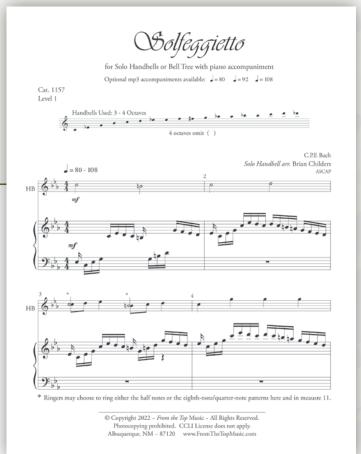
Rating: Easy

MFM 1157

\$6.95



Brian created a solo arrangement of this classical piano favorite with the bell solo ringing a simple obbligato part, which offers a lovely opportunity for a beginning solo ringer to perform this wonderful work. May be rung from the table or as a bell tree solo. Price includes the piano part and a pullout solo part.







Solo Time 4

arr. Kathleen Wissinger

1, 3 or 5 oct HB solo or ens w/ piano, guitar, or HB choir Level: 2

Rating: Easy

MRE6534R

reproducible

\$10.00



"Solo Time 4 - Down to the River" is a delightful, extremely versatile rendition of this lovely spiritual, with a variety of ringing and accompaniment options, from Bell Tree solo to full choir with live accompaniment or downloadable mp3 track. Perfect for a quiet moment in worship or concert, it also can serve as an interlude between concert pieces, allowing the other ringers time to reset for the next piece.



for Gloria Dei Handbell Choir, Muhlenberg Lutheran Church

Down to the River to Pray

Bell Tree Solo/Duet, 4iH Duet/Trio, Small Ensemble, Full Bell Choir





Down to the River to Pray

Bell Tree Solo - Play all notes A5-C7 (opt. F5) - or -Bell Tree Duet - Part 1 plays stems up, Part 2 plays stems down - or 4iH Duet/Trio











Down to the River to Pray

Bell Tree Duet - Primo C6-C7 (opt. A5) (can also be played as a Bell Tree Solo or a 4iH Duet)











Solo Time 5

Kathleen Wissinger

1-3 oct BT solo
w/ piano, guitar, HB, or HC choir accomp

Rating: Easy

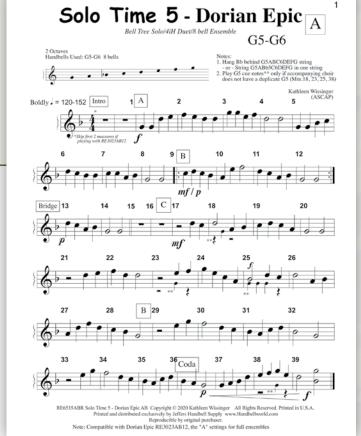
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"Solo Time 5 - Dorian Epic" is a short, bold piece in Dorian mode using 8 bells, that may be played as a bell tree solo, a 4iH duet, or an 8-bell ensemble. Dorian mode offers a refreshing palette of tone colors; with lowered 3rd and 7th tones in a major scale, it sounds somewhat exotic, mostly minor. It is ideal as a prelude for worship, using the subtitle "Steadfast Faith", or as a short transitional piece for a school program or concert.







Spirituals

arr. Barbara Brocker & Guy Shepherd

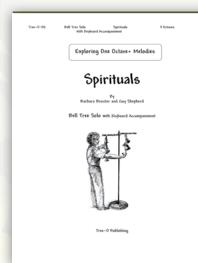
3 oct BT solo w/ keyboard accomp

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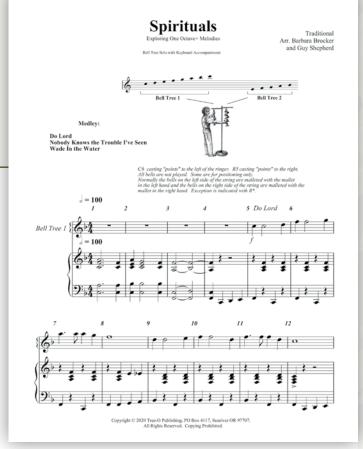


Rating: Easy

\$5.95



This bell tree solo is a Grab and Go piece, easy enough to 'Learn on Tuesday - Play on Sunday'. Bell trees include a C6 to C7 string and an E5 to B5 string. A dynamic digital keyboard accompaniment is both printed and available as a download for your i-Pad or other music reader app. Medley includes "Do Lord", "Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen", and "Wade in the Water".







Still, Still, Still

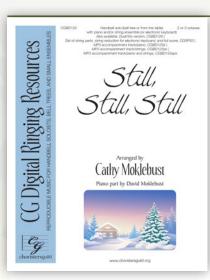
arr. Cathy Moklebust

2-3 oct HB solo w/ piano or string ens accomp, or both

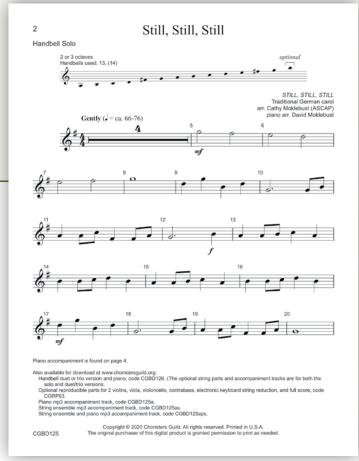
Rating: Easy

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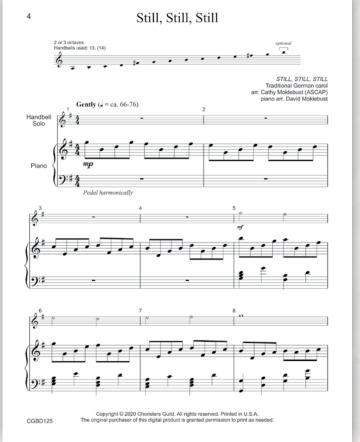
\$8.95 \$17.95



This versatile and very easy arrangement of the traditional German carol simply and delicately paints a picture of softly falling snow on a quiet Christmas night. It may be played as a handbell solo (bell tree or from-the-table), as a duet, or as a trio, and is scored for 2 or 3 octaves with piano or string ensemble accompaniment, or both..







Sylvan Glen (Peace Be With You)

Kathleen Wissinger

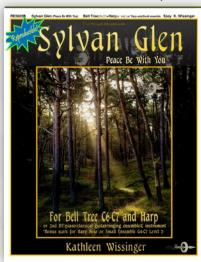
3 oct BT solo Level: 2+ w/ multiple accomp options

Rating: Easy

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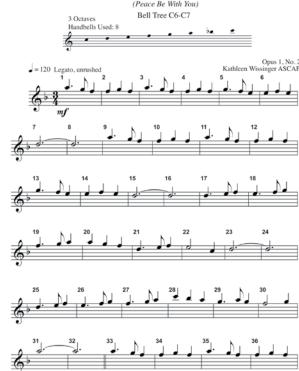
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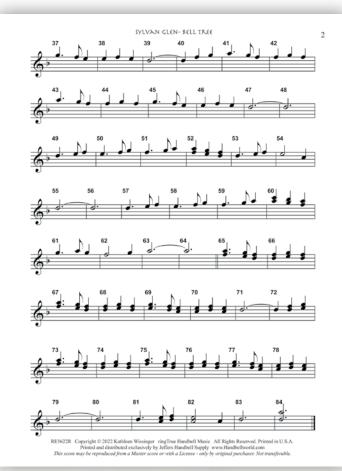
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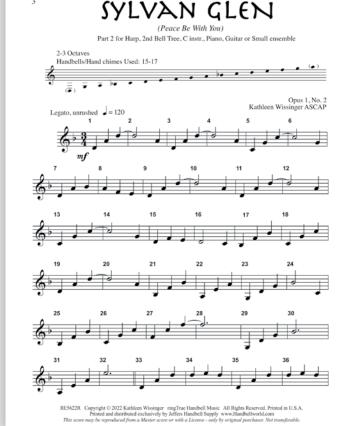


This peaceful interlude evokes a lush forest glade with dapples of sunlight. "Sylvan Glen" features an easy Bell Tree solo using 8 bells (C6-C7), and accompaniment options including easy harp, piano, guitar, second bell tree (G4-G6), bells or chimes - or even a lower C instrument like a viola or cello.

SYLVAN GLEN







A Thankful Heart

Kathleen Wissinger

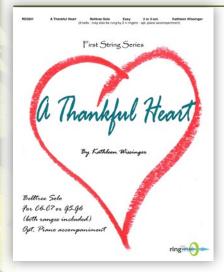
2-3 oct BT solo w/ opt piano

MRE5001



Rating: Easy

\$5.00



"A Thankful Heart" will fast become a go-to favorite for its lovely theme and its versatility: play it as a simple, poignant belltree solo on 8 bells using either G5-G6 or C6-C7 - or add the piano accompaniment for a fuller presentation. Instructions for setting up a belltree are included. Part of the First String Series which features bell tree pieces for one octave, more or less.







This Little Light of Mine

arr. Barbara Brocker

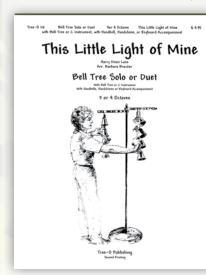
3-4 oct BT solo or duet Rating: Easy

w/ opt C-inst and keyboard or 3 oct HB/HC accomp

MTO 110HB

full score w/ BT & inst parts 3 oct HB/HC accomp

\$4.95 \$4.95



This bell tree solo or duet arrangement provides the new bell tree soloist with a simple yet effective piece. A second bell tree solo rung by a more advanced ringer or played by a C instrument makes it a duet. Accompaniment options include 3 octaves of bells or chimes, or keyboard. All parts are included in item # MTO 110; item # MTO110HB is a larger-print score for the HB/HC/keyboard accompaniment part.

For Jacob Wicks, an inspiration to all. This Little Light of Mine

Bell Tree Solo, or Duet with Bell Tree or C Instrument. Accompaniment by Handchimes, Handbells, or Keyboard

Conductor's Score

Harry Dixon Loes



This can also be played on the Bell Tree "Keyboard" setup (see the Bell Tree Keyboard Manual by B. Brocker, Tree-O Publications #117).



- Accompaniment on either handchimes, handbells, or keyboard.
 Bell tree solo with accompaniment
 Bell tree duet with accompaniment
 Bell tree solo with C instrument











A Time to Rejoice

Louise Frier

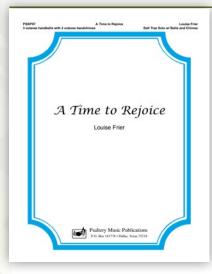
3 oct HB choir w/BT solo & 2 oct HC

MPSBP07



Rating: Easy

\$4.50



An original composition that combines bell tree, chimes, and handbells. The bell choir rings bells C4-C5; the chimes play G4-C6; and the bell tree uses bells G5-G6. With no shared bells between the choir and the bell tree soloist, this is an ideal piece to incorporate bell trees into your handbell repertoire, while also utilizing the contrasting timbre of chimes.

To the Fanfare Ringers of First United Methodist Church in Lutz, FL A Time to Rejoice Introit for Bell Tree Solo with 3 octaves Handbells & 2 octaves Handchimes Bell Tree Chimes Needed Chimes Needed



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Trust

arr. Barbara Brocker & Guy Shepherd

3 oct BT solo w/ piano accomp

MTO 131



Rating: Easy

\$5.95



This one-octave bell tree solo, with keyboard accompaniment, is designed for the first-time bell tree ringer. This Grab and Go arrangement is easy enough to 'Learn on Tuesday - Play on Sunday', ideal for the person who needs a piece they can learn quickly. The medley includes "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"; "Amazing Grace"; and "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us".

Trust Exploring One Octave+ Melodies

3 Octave Bell Tree Solo with Piano







Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star

arr. Kathleen Wissinger

2-3 oct BT solo w/ piano accomp

MRE5008R

Rating: Easy to Advanced

\$12.00

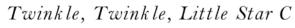


Bell Trees are intriguing and so much fun to play! This folio contains six variations of "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star" for bell tree solo with piano accompaniment - plus a duet option. Beginning with the easiest version and becoming progressively more difficult, each short variation stands on its own, but they may be tied together and presented as a medley, either by a single ringer or a different ringer for each variation.

Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star A & B

for Belltree, 4iH duo, or Trio





for Bell Tree, 4iH duo or Trio











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<u>Traditional Christmas</u> <u>Solos for Bell Tree</u>

These bell tree solos feature bell trees with "traditional" instrumental accompaniment: piano, keyboard, guitar, and even some with downloadable accompaniment tracks. You'll find the perfect piece for Christmas worship and concerts here!

8 Bells for Carols vol. 1 - Easy

arr. Kathleen Wissinger

Share some holiday cheer with a lovely selection of Bell Tree pieces using only 8 bells. 8 Bells for Carols is perfect for ringing at Red Kettles, in small spaces, or as a palate cleanser during a concert. Each volume features 7 or 8 holiday tunes for bell tree solo (or duet), or 4iH duet, or 3 or 4 ringers using 8 Bells - either G5 to G6 (2 octaves) or C5-C6 or C6 to C7 (1 or 3 octaves) - plus an optional chime solo for added harmony.

8 Bells for Carols vol. 2 - Easy-Medium

arr. Kathleen Wissinger

1, 2, or 3 oct BT solo Rating: Easy-Med w/ opt HC MRE5612C C5-C6 or C6-C7 solo \$10.00

MRE5612G G5-G6 solo \$10.00

The pieces included in volume 2 are Easy-Medium difficulty - with trickier patterns and sometimes a 2nd voice moving above and below the melody. The bell tree part can be played as a single

trickier patterns and sometimes a 2nd voice moving above and below the melody. The bell tree part can be played as a single stem-up melody line (easier) or with the added stem-down part (more challenging); a second ringer (on the backside of same bell tree or on their own bell tree) can play the stem-down notes.

8 Bells for Carols vol. 3 - Medium

arr. Kathleen Wissinger

The pieces in volume 3 are Medium difficulty. The bell tree part can be played as a single stem-up melody line (easier) or with the added stem-down part (more challenging); a second bell tree ringer can play the stem-down notes. The chime part can be played by a solo ringer (or two, if you wish). Each beautifully crafted carol is on a single page with bell tree and chime parts. You'll need one score per ringer. Memorization is strongly recommended for the bell tree ringer.

Angel Noels

arr. Karen Lakey Buckwalter

3 or 5 oct BT solo

W/ piano accomp

MCGBD128 \$11.95

Perfect for church or concert, "Angel Noels" is a Christmas medley by Karen Buckwalter incorporating several well-known carols. Originally conceived as a bell tree duet with piano, it has been adapted as a bell tree solo (3 octaves, C5-C7) with an optional second part for C instrument, a second bell tree (5 octaves, C7-C8) or small ensemble (8 bells C7 to C8 or 8 chimes C6 to C7).

Angels We Have Heard on High

arr. Christine D. Anderson & Jane Holstein

3 oct HB solo Rating: Easy-Med w/ piano accomp MHP1766 \$12.95

This traditional French tune makes a fine offering at Christmas, using not only regular solo ringing techniques but also a bell tree or clusters. Performance notes are given for the soloist. It is an excellent Christmas workup for the soloist.

Baby Boy

arr. Ann Habicht

3 oct BT solo Level: 2 Rating: Easy w/ piano accomp

MFM1196 \$6.95

Ann has adapted the favorite West Indies carol, "The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy", for C5 to C7 bell tree and early intermediate piano accompaniment. The calypso rhythm is engaging and fun for musicians and audience alike. Although not included in the score, adding bongos or other percussion instruments is a fun option.

Bell Tree Christmas

arr. Linda R. Lamb

2 oct BT solo Rating: Easy-Med collection w/ piano accomp
MHP2774 \$22.95

This collection includes bell tree solos for Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany. Each title begins with the familiar melody, followed by a variation. Options are given for each selection to be played in its entirety, or abbreviated with instructions written in the score. A separate bell tree pullout score is included.

Bell Tree Solos & Duets for Christmas

arr. Linda R. Lamb

2-3 oct BT solos or duets Rating: Easy-Med collection w/ piano accomp
MHP3005 \$22.95

Here are six Christmas settings for bell tree solo with optional duet parts. Each setting includes suggested cuts to simplify the bell part for less experienced ringers, or to shorten the solo if needed. Pullout booklet for the bell tree is included.

Bring A Torch, Jeanette Isabella

arr. Barbara Brocker

MTO 124

3-4 oct BT solo or duet
w/ keyboard accomp

Rating: Medium

\$7.95

Barb Brocker has taken Joel Raney's delightful arrangement of this Christmas song and transformed it into a lovely bell tree solo or duet with keyboard accompaniment. Downloadable rehearsal tracks, featuring slow, medium, and a tempo practice speeds make rehearsing alone much easier. Medium difficulty. Duet can be played using only a single 4-octave set of handbells. 1 solo part, 2 duet parts, and piano/full score included in price.

Christmas Rejoicing

arr. Christine D. Anderson & Anna Laura Page

3 oct HB solo

W/ piano accomp

MHP1541

Rating: Easy-Med

\$12.95

Combine the talents of Anna Laura Page and Christine Anderson and you have a joyous Christmas solo that is a medley of "How Great Our Joy", Good Christian Men", and "Joy to the World". Options are given for ringing D#6-B6 as a bell tree or 6-in-hand.

Christmas Tree-O

arr. Barbara Brocker & Rob Pearson

3-4 oct BT solo Rating: Easy-Med w/ keyboard accomp MTO 105 \$4.95

Three Christmas tunes form this bell tree solo medley. The arrangement begins with the brightness of "Ding Dong Merrily on High," moves to the mellowness of "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" and ends with the spirited "Deck the Halls." Visually, the bell trees mesmerize audiences, and these familiar Christmas tunes will add a zing to any Christmas concert or worship service.

Christmas Triplets

arr. Barbara Brocker & Jodie Bischof

2-3 oct BT solo Rating: Easy MTO 129 \$4.95

Beginning bell tree ringers need melodies they know, with only 8 or 9 bells to play. This arrangement includes three familiar hymns: "Joy to the World", "The First Noel", and "Away in a Manger". It can be played with either a C5 to C6 bell tree, a C6 to C7 bell tree, or combinations of both. Solo part and piano accompaniment are included, as well as an optional descant for a C instrument or another bell tree ringer.

Come On, Ring Those Bells

arr. Barbara Brocker

3-4 oct BT descant Rating: Medium w/ vocal solo & piano accomp
MTO 115 \$4.95

With an easy, repetitive bell tree part, a vocalist in the mid-range, a keyboard accompanist, and optional audience singing on the chorus, this can be a vibrant addition to your Christmas concert. The bell tree part can be played by either a novice or an experienced ringer. The chorus begins: "Come on, ring those bells, light the Christmas tree. Jesus is the King born for you and me."

Coventry

arr. Jason W. Krug

3 oct HB solo Rating: Medium w/ piano accomp and opt BT
MGMH010014 \$7.95

The beloved and mournful "Coventry Carol" is given a somber treatment in this intermediate handbell solo. The middle verse features the option to play an embellished version of the melody on a bell tree. This selection is a perfect choice for any quiet moment in

worship or concert throughout the Advent or Christmas seasons.

Ding, Dong, Merrily on High

arr. Christine D. Anderson & Douglas E. Wagner

4 oct HB solo Rating: Easy-Med w/ piano accomp andopt BT MHP1648 \$12.95

Most of this solo is played off-the-table, however, options for playing the sections that use G6-G7 include a bell tree, playing bell clusters or the traditional ringing style at a comfortale tempo. The piano part is not too difficult and is accessible for an intermediate keyboardist. Helpful performance notes are given.

Fantasy on Carol of the Bells

arr. Kathleen Wissinger

3 oct BT solo Rating: Medium w/ piano accomp
MRE5617R \$9.95

This is a fresh take on a favorite, iconic piece - perfectly suited for bells on a Bell Tree, of course!! The well-known themes are playfully inverted and altered, making them even more intriguing! For bell tree soloists looking for an engaging new piece - this is it! It is rated medium difficulty due to the tempo and changing from string to string. The piano accompaniment is included in the score, and everything is reproducible. For more options, the BT part can also be played by a 4iH Duet or small ensemble, or even a C instrument.

The First Noel

arr. Linda R. Lamb

3 oct BT Solo Rating: Easy

w/ piano accomp

MGMH010031 with Piano \$7.95

From Linda Lamb comes this beautiful bell tree setting of the beloved Christmas carol. Requiring just eight bells, it's easy enough for beginning bell tree musicians but musically satisfying enough for more accomplished bell tree players short on time. For those soloists wishing to rehearse or who don't have a piano available for performance, an MP3 accompaniment track is also available.

God Rest Ye, Merry Gentlemen

arr. Kathleen Wissinger

3 oct BT solo, duet, Rating: Medium

small HB ens, or C-inst w/ piano accomp MRE5018R

\$9.95

\$8.95

A perfect holiday showcase for an adventurous Bell Tree Soloist! This refreshing take on a well-loved carol approaches each verse boldly with a different character. The included piano accompaniment will delight your pianist with challenging patterns and a strong section with the melody as well. Truly this is an equal and joyous collaboration between the soloist and pianist. Using D5-C7, this arrangement is rated medium difficulty due to the tempo and the wide range of bells and keys used.

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

arr. Barbara Brocker

4 oct BT solo Rating: Advanced w/ keyboard accomp

MTO 128

Barbara Brocker has taken Joel Raney's delightfully creative piano duet arrangement of Mendelsson's hymn and set it for bell tree solo with keyboard accompaniment. This solo remains true to the fun and unexpected interpretations from the original arrangement.

Hyfrydol

arr. Louise Frier

3 oct BT solo Rating: Easy

w/ 2 oct HB & 3 oct HC (or keyboard)

MPSBP05 reproducible \$30.00

This arrangement of the hymn tune HYFRYDOL combines a bell tree soloist with a small handbell ensemble and chime choir (or keyboard) accompaniment. With numerous texts associated with this tune, it is usable throughout the church year. This arrangement is particularly versatile, with multiple options for performance based on the number and skill of the ringers available. No additional handbells are needed.

I Saw Three Ships

arr. Sandra Eithun & Linda R. Lamb

3 oct BT solo Rating: Med-Adv

w/ keyboard

MHP2525 \$12.95

Sandra Eithun and Linda Lamb have taken Sandra's arrangement of "I Saw Three Ships" and retained all the style of the 3-6 octave version in a new setting for bell tree solo with keyboard accompaniment. The 'sea chantey' mood gives way to a more sedate 4/4 section before returning to the 6/8 meter for a rollicking finish. Perfect for any moderately advanced soloist's holiday concert.

I Saw Three Ships

arr. James Dahlgran

4 oct BT solo Rating: Advanced

w/ keyboard accomp

MJRD20061 \$4.50

This bell tree solo arrangement by James Dahlgran of a Jon Schmidt piano arrangement is noted for the treatment of harmony, counterpoint, and rhythm. It is an advanced arrangement due to the number of bells used, key changes, and rhythm changes within the piece. The piece begins with the bell tree soloist playing the melody alone, then being joined by the piano accompaniment. Eventually, the piano takes a turn with the melody. Suggested bell tree stings and pictures are included.

In Dulci Jubilo

arr. Barbara Brocker

3 oct BT solo Rating: Med-Adv

w/ keyboard or 4-5 oct HC & opt vocal solo MTO108

This bell tree solo brings the sounds and traditions of the St. Olaf Choir to the handbell world. Christmas will be special with the addition of this visually attractive piece. Based on F. Melius Christiansen's work, this exciting arrangement of the traditional tune can best be played with one bell tree soloist, 4 handchime ringers and a keyboard, with an optional vocal solo. It also may be accompanied by a 4-5 octave handchime choir in place of the keyboard.

It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

arr. Cathy Moklebust

3 oct HB solo Rating: Easy-Med

w/ piano or string ens accomp, or both MCGBD123 solo version

rsion \$8.95

MCGRP62 full score & inst parts

\$23.95

\$4.95

Here is "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear", an arrangement of Richard Storrs Willis' beautiful Christmas tune CAROL. This flexible arrangement may be played as a handbell solo on bell tree or from the table, or as a handbell duet or trio. The lullaby-like accompaniment is restful and rocking, and includes a section reminiscent of twinkling stars. D5-C7 are required for the solo The Full Score includes the optional parts for string ensemble, as well as a string reduction for electronic keyboard.

Joy to the World

arr. Sue Garton

3 oct HB solo Rating: Medium w/ piano accomp
MFM 1055 \$6.25

This setting of the familiar Christmas carol is a refreshing arrangement for the handbell soloist. It opens with a straightforward presentation of the well known carol. After an optional repeat and key change, the piano accompaniment takes over for 14 measures, allowing the handbell soloist to prepare the bell tree which is used for the remainder of the piece. The final 25 measures feature the piano performing the melody with the soloist playing an obligato on

Joy to the World

arr. Jason W. Krug

the bell tree.

3 oct HB solo Rating: Medium w/ piano accomp MGMH010022 \$7.95

This uplifting arrangement of ANTIOCH is a guaranteed winner with audiences and congregations this holiday season! The upbeat tempo will provide a good amount of challenge to on-the-table soloists but should prove much more manageable to bell tree artists. Price includes the piano part and a pull-out solo part.

Kingsfold Fantasia

arr. Derek K. Hakes

3 oct HB solo Rating: Medium w/ piano accomp and opt HC & flute
MFM 1113 \$7.95

This is a sensitive, interpretive arrangement of the wonderful hymn tune, KINGSFOLD. The interaction between the flute and the solo is magical - all supported by a flowing and lyrical piano accompaniment. Playing the melody in both bells and handchimes adds to the beauty. Derek has included many tempo variations which offer opportunities for amazing expression. Simply said: this is gorgeous. All parts are included.

Lo, How A Rose 'Ere Blooming

arr. Brian Childers

2 oct BT solo Rating: Easy-Med w/ keyboard accomp
MBP20207 \$7.00

This simple setting of the traditional "Lo, How A Rose" is beautiful in its simplicity. The keyboard part is easy-intermediate and the bell tree part is simple to learn. A wonderful selection for holiday concerts and Advent worship services. Solo and piano part included.

Mary, Did You Know?

arr. Barbara Brocker

4 oct BT solo Rating: Med-Adv w/keyboard accomp MTO 120 \$4.95

This popular Christmas song is a bell tree arrangement of a Joel Raney piano setting. This is delightful addition to worship services or concerts. A graphic drawing of the bell set up, along with performance notes is printed with the solo part. Includes solo part and piano accompaniment.

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

arr. Kurt Meyer

2 oct HB solo Level: 2 Rating: Easy-Med w/ piano accomp
MJMG 1103 \$7.95

Kurt Meyer's latest addition to the Jubilate Handbell Chamber Series is a contemplative setting of the Advent hymn VENI EMMANUEL solo handbells and piano. The 2-octave handbell part is accessible for soloists of all abilities and combines with fresh harmonies to create an ethereal music offering for worship or concert. May be played on a bell tree or from the table. A reproducible solo part is printed at the end of the piano part.

O Holy Night

arr. Linda R. Lamb

3 oct HB or BT solo Rating: Easy
w/ piano accomp
MGMH010035 \$7.95

Linda Lamb's arrangement of this cherished Christmas classic is a rich and reverent setting that captures the awe and majesty of the season with flowing lines and elegant harmonies. For those soloists wishing to rehearse or who don't have a piano available for performance, an MP3 accompaniment track is also available.

Pat a Pan Processional

arr. Barbara Brocker

2 oct BT solo Rating: Easy-Med w/ 3-5 oct HB or 3 oct HC and perc MTO 104 \$4.95

This bell tree processional is supported with the melodic sound of chimes. Adding drum, tambourine, finger cymbal and a few high bells makes this a mesmerizing processional. It will suit any choir with a range of ringer abilities, with parts written for both beginners and advanced ringers. This Christmas selection is suitable for sacred or secular settings and makes a great concert or service opener.

Sacred Solos for Bell Tree Set 3: Advent and Christmas

arr. Cathy Moklebust

2-3 oct BT solo Rating: Easy-Med

collection w/ piano

MCGB1232 reproducible \$30.95

This reproducible collection of solos includes five accessible arrangements based on hymns appropriate for the Advent and Christmas seasons. The solos are arranged for bell tree, but may be rung from the table with a few simple modifications which are written in the footnotes. Piano accompaniment is included.

See Amid the Winter Snow

arr. Ann Habicht

3 oct HB solo Level: 3 Rating: Medium

w/ piano accomp

MFM 1195 \$6.95

This lovely Christmas hymn was written in 1871 and it appears in more than 90 hymnals worldwide. The melody is engaging and sweet, and Ann has arranged it into a lovely solo. She included a four-bell descant while the piano features the hymn and suggests those four notes may be malleted on a bell tree or played 4iH. This will be enchanting to program in a candlelight Christmas Eve service, a gentle anthem in worship, and more.

Silent Night

arr. Cathy Moklebust

3 oct HB solo Rating: Easy-Med

w/ piano or string ens accomp, or both

MCGBD121 solo version \$8.95 MCGRP61 full score & inst parts \$19.95

Franz Gruberís tune STILLE NACHT has been arranged in a lovingly restful style, with the solo ranging from D5 to C7, playable on bell tree or from the table. The setting begins softly, gradually building in volume and emotion, and ends as peacefully as it began. The beloved Christmas classic may be accompanied by piano and/or strings. The full score includes a string reduction part for electronic keyboards.

Silent Night

arr. Barbara Brocker

4 oct BT solo Rating: Med-Adv

w/ keyboard accomp

MTO 139 \$9.95

Barbara has created a beautiful bell tree solo rendition of Joel Raney's piano arrangement of "Silent Night". The bell tree solo remains faithful to the original piano solo, beginning with beauty and joy, moving into the depths of despair and angst, then evolving into peace. A powerful addition to a concert or Christmas Eve service. Written for the advanced musician with some bell tree experience, it can be played with either two mallets or four. With piano accompaniment.

Still, Still, Still

arr. Cathy Moklebust

2-3 oct HB Solo Rating: Easy

w/ piano or string ens accomp, or both

MCGBD125 \$8.95 solo version \$17.95 MCGRP63 full score & inst parts

This versatile and very easy arrangement of the traditional German carol simply and delicately paints a picture of softly falling snow on a quiet Christmas night. It may be played as a handbell solo (bell tree or from-the-table), as a duet, or as a trio, and is scored for 2 or 3 octaves with piano or string ensemble accompaniment, or both.

Watchman, Tell Us of the Night

arr. Kathleen Wissinger

3 oct BT solo Rating: Easy-Med

w/ piano & opt 2nd BT or C-inst

\$12.00 MRE5628R

Set a reverent mood during the Advent/Christmas season with this ethereal arrangement of "Watchman, Tell Us of the Night" set for an easy-medium level bell tree solo and piano. This richly harmonized arrangement of the hymn tune ABERYSTWYTH by Joseph Parry captures the mystery and majesty of the coming Lord. Perfect as a call to worship for an Advent service or as a quiet moment in a holiday concert. The bell tree range is 17 bells from C5-C7 with optional D7 & Eb7.

What Child Is This?

arr. Barbara Brocker

4 oct BT solo Rating: Med-Adv

w/ keyboard accomp

MTO 121 \$7.95

Barbara Brocker, both bell tree artist and arranger, has taken Joel Raneyis piano arrangement of GREENSLEEVES and set it for 4 octave bell tree solo and keyboard. The 6 bell trees used may all hang from the same cross-bar stand. This work requires intermediate skill; though the tempo is gentle with easy rhythmic patterns, the challenge comes in varying tempos and technical concerns. Instructions are written right into the music as well as in the performance notes. The music and the visual artistry make this a main course concert piece.



Bell Tree Keyboard Manual

by Barbara Brocker

MTO 117

The purpose of this "how-to" manual is to provide an opportunity for the ringer to play the bell tree keyboard by following the steps in the manual. It is not intended to be a manual to teach basic music reading. It is for

the ringer who would like to explore a different aspect of ringing. A "keyboard" setup is not needed

for every piece of bell tree music played; however, you can use the bell tree keyboard concept as a starting point. The more connections you can make to a standard set up, the quicker the learning process becomes.

\$29.95

<u>Bell Tree Solos</u> <u>with Full Choir</u> <u>Accompaniment</u>

Music for full handbell choirs that feature a bell tree soloist is becoming more and more popular. When you play these pieces for your Christmas service or concert, you'll see why. The magic of bell trees comes ringing through!

3 Christmas Trees to Ring

arr. Linda R. Lamb

3 oct BT solo Level: 2+ Rating: Easy-Med collection w/ 3-5 oct chime choir accomp MRO3392 \$49.95

This reproducible collection of three Christmas favorites features a Bell Tree soloist accompanied by a 3-5 octave handchime choir. The result is fresh, interesting, and beautiful. May also be played as traditional, off the table solos.

The Angel Gabriel

arr. Kathleen Wissinger

2-5 oct HB Level: 2 Rating: Easy-Med w/ opt BT, vocal, or C-inst solo MRE8017AB \$5.00

This traditional Basque carol is exquisitely arranged for 2 octave (A1), 4 octave (A2) and 3 or 5 octaves (B) for range flexibility. Appropriate for Advent or Christmas worship, concert, and festival, "The Angel Gabriel" adds a wonderful medieval note to the joyous season. Suggestions for adding a vocal solo, Bell Tree solo, or C instrument solo are included.

Angels From the Realms of Glory

arr. Lauran Delancy

3-5 oct HB Level: 2 Rating: Easy-Med w/ opt 2 or 4 oct BT MAG35322 \$4.95

Building from beginning to end and offering options for a bell tree soloist and choir processional, this special arrangement of the tune REGENT SQUARE was written for Rezound's performance at the 2011 Kansas City Symphony Christmas Festival. The handbell choir uses C4-C7 or C3-C8, and the optional bell tree uses either G5-G6 or G6-G7. Duplicate bells are needed.

Carol of the Bells

arr. Roxanne B. Golden

4-5 oct HB Level: 4 Rating: Med-Adv w/ 2 oct BT

MDL9009 \$3.95

Based on the Mannheim Steamroller arrangement by Chip Davis, this work includes 2 small bell trees (tree 1: E5, F#5, & G5 and tree 2: E6, F#6, & G6), timpani and rainstick. The included performance notes give suggestions for staging.

Carol of the Bells

arr. Carl Wiltse

3-4 oct HB Level: 1+ Rating: Easy
w/BT solo

MSTSGM162 \$4.25

Easily learned, this arrangement of the traditional Ukrainian carol can be memorized by the bell tree ringer, who can then process as she/he plays. Soloist and bell choir take turns with the melody, creating a piece that is fun to play and a joy to hear. No duplicate bells are needed ñ the choir uses A3-G6 and the bell tree uses A6, B6, & C7.

A Child Shall Lead Them

Michael J. Glasgow

5-6 oct HB & 5 oct HC Level: 4 Rating: Med-Adv w/ 4 oct BT (or flute) solo

 MFM20381HB
 HB choir part
 \$4.95

 MFM20381BT
 bell tree (flute) part
 \$3.95

The piece opens with a poignant melody accompanied by wistful harmonies. It soon transitions into rhythmic movement accompanying the exciting bell tree solo. By the end of the of the composition, all of the ringers in the choir have created their own miniature bell trees, and the piece ends with everyone playing their suspended bells with mallets.

Fantasy on 'Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming'

arr. Paul A. McKlveen

3-5 oct HB Level: 4 Rating: Medium w/ opt BT \$3.95

Unlike the usual flowing arrangements of the German carol "Es ist ein Ros", this setting makes use of a steady eighth-note pulse to move the music along. The optional bell tree (F6-C7) and a variety of different techniques are utilized to add interest. Duplicate bells are recommended if the bell tree is used.

Farandole

arr. Kevin McChesney

3-7 oct HB Level: 3 Rating: Advanced

w/opt 3 oct BT duet

MJHS9473 HB choir part \$6.50 MJHS9473BT BT duet part \$3.25

Kevin McChesney has transcribed this classic from Bizet for 3-7 octaves of handbells and two optional bell trees (tree 1: G5-C7 and tree 2: G4-E6). Although the bell trees are optional, they certainly add a lot of flash to the performance. Duplicate bells are needed - 3 each of G5, A5, B5, C6, D6, & E6; 2 each of G4, A4, B4, C5, D5, E5, F5 & F6, G6, A6, B6, C7.

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

arr. Fred Gramann

4-6 oct HB Level: 4 Rating: Medium

w/ opt 4 oct BT or HC

MBEHB159 \$4.95

The skill level designation comes from the running eighth-note lines in the otherwise simple rhythm and harmonies of this arrangement. There is an optional ostinato part to be played on handchimes (if duplicate bells are not available) or suspended bells with mallets (G6-G7 bell tree); the idea is to imitate a zimbelstern. The interplay of lines and melody gives the effect of tower bells and organ on a bright, merry Christmas day.

Here We Come, Good Christian Friends

arr. Carol Lynn Mizell

3-6 oct HB Level: 3 Rating: Medium w/ opt HC, BT/solo inst, vocals, alt bells, & perc MCGB1004 HB choir part \$5.95 MCGB1003 full score & inst parts \$11.95

A lilting amalgamation of "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" and "Here We Come A-Wassailing" provides the opportunity to use a bell tree (Eb6-C7) or other solo instrument in combination with handbells. Duplicate bells will be needed. The full score includes the parts for bell tree, C, Bb, or Eb instrument, alternate bells, and percussion.

A Manger Lullaby

arr. Kathleen Wissinger

3-7 oct HB Level: 3 Rating: Medium w/ opt 3-6 oct HC & opt 3-4 oct BT MRE8012 \$6.00

"A Manger Lullaby" is a charming and beautifully crafted medley of cradleside carols with small snippets of Brahms' "Lullaby" and "Silent Night". It features the hymn tunes MUELLER, GREENSLEEVES and CRADLE SONG. Each has its own personality and the tunes are skillfully woven together with thoughtful transitions. An optional, medium-difficult bell tree or C instrument part is included. Duplicate bells needed.

Oh Holy Night

arr. Brian Seemann

4-6 oct HB Level: 3+ Rating: Medium w/ opt 3 oct HC & opt 3 oct BT
MNMHB670 HB part \$5.95
MNMHB670B BT part \$4.25

A fabulous piece to feature your advanced bell tree soloist! Written for Griff Gall and the Back Bay Ringers, this arrangement of the perennial favorite is written for 4-6 octaves of handbells with optional 3 octaves of handchimes and optional bell tree. Duplicate bells are needed.

One Small Child

arr. Tammy Waldrop

3-5 oct HB Level: 3 Rating: Medium w/vocal solo and opt HC, BT, & perc MRO3216 \$5.25

This arrangement of David Meece's classic Christmas somg is designed to be flexible to meet the needs of different choir situations. There are a variety of options suggested, including using two simple bell trees with chime accompaniment as a processional (tree 1: G6-C7 & tree 2: C6-F6), and a vocal line that may be sung by a soloist or unison choir.

Quempas Carol

arr. Paul Kinney

5 oct HB & BT Level: 3 Rating: Medium w/ opt hand drum & tambourine
MNMHB637 \$5.20

The "Quempas Carol" is traditionally sung from the four corners of the church to announce the Christ child has come to all people, even those in the farthest corners of the world. One phrase is sung from each corner, then all join together. This version for handbells is arranged so that sections of the handbell choir begin in the four corners of the church, then process to the tables. The bell tree plays B6-A7.

Riu Riu Chiu

arr. Eric Rothe

3 oct BT Duet Level: 1 Rating: Easy w/ HB ens & opt glockenspiel
MPSBP09 reproducible \$30.00

This catchy 16th-century Spanish carol is arranged for 2 bell trees, each comprised of 5 bells, six handbells playing a rhythmic accompaniment, and an optional Glockenspiel playing a repeated ostinato pattern. A flutist may play the Bell Tree 1 part if desired, and other percussion instruments may be added, as available. Only one 3 octave set of bells is needed, as there are no shared bells between the parts.

Savior of the Nations, Come

arr. Kathleen Wissinger

3 oct BT solo Rating: Medium w/ 3-5 oct HB & opt HC MRELC201399LR reproducible \$20.95

Mysterious and lush, this showcase bell tree solo is a stunning addition to Advent services and holiday concerts. This bell tree solo (21 bells: C5-C7) was beautifully coordinated to be accompanied by the 3-5 octave handbell choir version published by Lorenz (item # LC201399L).

Songs of the Manger

arr. arr. Karen Lakey Buckwalter

3-6 oct HB Level: 4 Rating: Med-Adv w/ opt BT, 3 oct HC, & perc MBEHB397 5.95

A medley of "Away in a Manger", "There's a Song in the Air", and "The Holly and the Ivy", this setting calls for two bell trees (tree 1: A6-F7; tree 2: C6-Bb6), with optional 3 octaves of handchimes and percussion (finger cymbals, tambourine, hand drum). Mallets on suspended bells in the upper accompaniment with chimes on the melody provides a shimmery look at the manger scene.

Two Easy Seasonal Processionals

arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

2-5 oct HB Level: 2 Rating: Easy w/ opt BT, flute/oboe, organ/brass, timpani MHP2118 \$6.50

The Advent processional may incorporate 2 optional bell trees (tree 1: D6-C7 & tree 2: D5-G5) or flute/oboe. The Christmas processional options include: organ or brass quartet and timpani, handbells alone, or two antiphonal bell choirs.

Where Are You Christmas?

arr. Blanche Marie Lewis & Kevin McChesney

 4-5 oct HB
 Level: 3
 Rating: Medium

 w/ opt 4-5 oct HC & 4 oct BT
 WJHS9641
 HB choir part
 \$5.95

 MJHS9641FS
 full score & BT part
 \$8.95

This modern Christmas classic from 2000 movie How the Grinch Stole Christmas is wonderfully brought to life by the team of Blanche Marie Lewis and Kevin McChesney. Bell trees and handchimes, while both optional, will add a bit of magic to your performance. The bell tree part is included in the full score. Duplicate bells will be needed.

A Winter's Lullaby

Joseph D. Daniel

4 oct BT solo Level: 3-

Rating: Easy-Med

w/3 or 5 oct HB or HC accomp

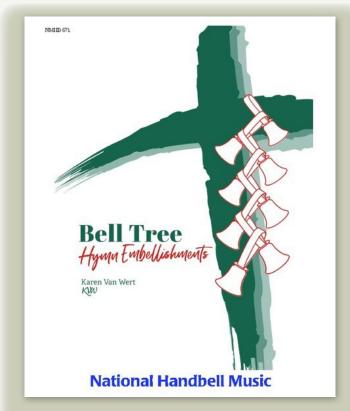
MFM20393 HB/HC choir part

\$4.25

MFM20393BT BT part

\$1.25

Written specifically for a bell tree solo (B5-F7), with either handchime or handbell accompaniment, this is a lovely, lyrical piece suitable for any Christmas or holiday occasion. If using bells for accompaniment, then duplicate bells will be needed; no duplicate bells are needed with handchime accompaniment.



Bell Tree Hymn Embellishments

arranged by Karen Van Wert

3 oct HB Rating: Easy-Medium MNMHB671 \$15.95

This collection of bell tree embellishments includes many well-known hymn tunes and features ostinato patterns, tonics, fifths, and pentatonic rhythms. The simple, easy to learn embellishments are intended to be an inspiration – a starting point. Use them as a tool to become familiar with bell tree techniques, include bells when ringers or rehearsal time is limited, as a base for improvisation, or simply to glorify God. Whether you are new to the bell tree or have years of experience, your congregation will appreciate the addition of hymn embellishments in their worship experience.