

Dedicated to Randall Thompson
with affection, and in admiration of a lifetime devoted to the joy of music

SEVEN JOYS OF CHRISTMAS

A Sequence of Carols
Arranged for Four-part Chorus of Mixed Voices
with Optional Piano Accompaniment

I The Joy of Love This is the truth

Traditional (English)
Arranged by
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Traditional

Freely, with motion

SOPRANO SOLO

1. This is the truth sent from a - bove,
firstthing which I do re - late

SOPRANO

1. The

ALTO

mp 1. Lo, (2.) The

TENOR

1. The

BASS

1. The

PIANO (Optional)

mp *p*

Ped. * Ped.

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There-fore don't turn me
The next thing which to

truth of God, the God of love,
2. Is that God did man cre - ate;

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truth of God, the God of love,
2. Is that God did man cre - ate;

mf *f*

Ped. * Ped. *

from your door,
you I'll tell:

pp *mp* *mf* *p*

But hear - en all both rich and poor,
Wom - an was made with man to dwell.

But hear - en all both rich and poor,
Wom - an was made with man to dwell.

But hear - en all both rich and poor,
Wom - an was made with man to dwell.

But hear - en all both rich and poor,
Wom - an was made with man to dwell.

pp *mf* *mp*

Ped.

10 *mf cresc.*
 we were heirs_ to end - less woes, Till God the Lord_ did

p 10 *mf cresc.*
 3. And we were heirs_ to end - less woes, Till God the Lord_ did

mp *mf cresc.*
 3. And we were heirs_ to end - less woes,

mp *mf cresc.*
 3. And we were heirs to end - less woes,

(uniti) *p* *mf cresc.*
 3. And we were heirs_ to end - less woes, to

10 *poco cresc.*

Ped. *

f *p*
 in - ter - pose; And so a prom - ise soon did run

p
 in - ter - pose; That He

mf *p*
 And so a prom - ise soon did run

end - less woes,

mf

Ped. *

15 *poch. cresc.* *rall.* *a tempo*
 That He would re - deem us by His Son.
p
 would re - deem us by His Son, His Son.
p
 That He would re - deem us by His Son.
(rall.) *mp*
 4. And
(rall.)

15 *poch. cresc.* *rall.* *a tempo*
p
p

mf 20 *cresc.*
 4. Our blest Re - deem - er
mf 20 *cresc.*
 4. Our blest Re - deem - er
mf *cresc.*
 at that sea - son of the year Our blest Re - deem - er
mf *cresc.*
 4. And at that sea - son of the year Our blest Re - deem - er.
mf 20 *cresc.*

poco allargando

Ritenuito

p

did ap - pear;
poco allargando

And_

did ap - pear;

poco allargando

2 4 5 6

mp

pp

poco allargando

4. He_ here did live, _____ and preach.

(divisi)

f

p

(uniti)

pp

8 did ap - pear;
poco allargando

and here did preach.

f

p

pp

did ap - pear;
poco allargando

and here did preach.

Ritenuito

Lento
pp

senza cresc.

accel.
p

man - y thou - sands He did teach. 5. Thus He in love_ to us be-haved,

To *accel.*
p

5. Thus He in love_ to us be-haved,

To *accel.*
p

5. Thus He in love to_ us be-haved,

To *accel.*
p

5. Thus He in love to us be-haved,

To *accel.*
p

5. Thus He in love_ to us be-haved, To

accel.

Lento

pp

poco a poco poco cresc. *mf* *f* ≤ 30 *poco rall.*

show us how we must be saved; And if you want to

poco a poco poco cresc. *mf* *f* ≤ 30 *poco rall.*

show us how we must be saved; And if you want to

poco a poco poco cresc. *mf* *f* ≤ 30 *poco rall.*

show us how we must be saved; And if you want to know

poco a poco poco cresc. *mf* *f* ≤ 30 *poco rall.*

show us how we must be saved; And if you want to know

poco a poco *mf* *f* ≤ 30 *poco rall.* *dim.*

Ped. *

Molto lento *p* *ppp senza cresc.* *Ritenuto*

know the way, Be pleased to hear what He did say.

p *ppp senza cresc.* *Rit*

know the way, Be pleased to hear what He did say.

p *ppp senza cresc.* *Rit*

the way, Be pleased to hear what He did say.

p *ppp senza cresc.* *(divisi)*

the way, Be pleased to hear what He did say.

p *Molto lento* *Ritenuto*

know the way,