

A Joyful Introit features texts for Advent, Christmas, and Easter. For Advent, corresponding lectionary readings include Psalm 80: 1-7 & 17-19, Isaiah 7: 10-16, Matthew 1: 18-25, and Romans 1: 1-7; one basic homiletical theme is praising God who will send the Light of Salvation into a world of darkness. For Christmas, corresponding lectionary readings include Psalm 9, Isaiah 9: 2-7, Luke 2: 1-20, and Titus 2: 11-14; one basic homiletical theme is praising the Christ Child who is born to save us all. For Easter, corresponding lectionary readings include Psalm 118: 1-2 & 14-24, John 20: 1-18, and Acts 10: 34-43; one basic homiletical theme is praising the risen Lord.

This anthem is flexibly voiced and may be sung by any combination of the following, with or without congregation:

SATB Choir & Soloist
 SATB Choir & Small Unison Ensemble
 SATB Choir & Unison Youth or Children's Choir

This anthem can be very effectively performed with antiphonal choirs placed on either side or end of the sanctuary. For continuity of programming, it may be sung every Sunday in Advent and at Christmas, then "resurrected" for performance at Easter! If congregational singing is employed, pages 9-11 may be photocopied for insertion into worship programs.

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A JOYFUL INTROIT

for Advent, Christmas, or Easter

for S.A.T.B. Choir, Unison Choir or Soloist, and keyboard,
with optional handbells and congregational refrain*

Words by
PATRICK M. LIEBERGEN

from *PUERICINIUM*
by MICHAEL PRAETORIUS (1571-1621)
Edited and arranged by PATRICK M. LIEBERGEN

Exuberantly (♩ = ca. 126)

ACCOMP. *f* (+ Hbbs.)

5

UNISON CHOIR OR SOLOIST

f

Advent 1. Sing out with joy, the Sav - ior will come!
Christmas 2. Sing out with joy, the Sav - ior is born! Praise
Easter 3. Sing out with joy, Christ rose from the grave!

(- Hbbs.)

9

God for - ev - er, sing al - le - lu - ia!

* Parts for two-octave handbells and congregational refrain may be found on pages 8 and 9-11, respectively.

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S.A.T.B. CHOIR (and optional congregation)

f unis.

Sing out with joy, the Sav - ior will come!
 Sing out with joy, the Sav - ior is born! Praise
 Sing out with joy, Christ rose from the grave!

f unis.

(+Hbls.)

17

(end congregation)

God for - ev - er, sing al - le lu - ia!

21

mf

mf

Al - mighty Lord, we sing your name, with

mf

25

grate - ful hearts your love pro - claim; Let

29

all cre - a - tion join — the cry and

cresc.

33

praise the Lord — our God, — most high!

f

37 UNISON CHOIR OR SOLOIST (and optional congregation)

f

Sing out with joy, the Sav - ior will come!
 Sing out with joy, the Sav - ior is born! Praise
 Sing out with joy, Christ rose from the grave!

S.A.T.B. CHOIR

Sing out with joy, — the Sav - ior will come!
 Sing out with joy, — the Sav - ior is born! Praise
 Sing out with joy, — Christ rose from the grave!

unis. (mel.)

37

41

(end congregation)

God for - ev - er, sing al - le - lu - ia!

God for - ev - er, sing al - le - lu - ia!

41

45 *poco rit. al fine* *ff*

Sing out with joy! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

poco rit. al fine *ff*

Sing out with joy! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

poco rit. al fine *ff*

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HANDBELLS
(2 octaves)

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Bells used: 15



Exuberantly (♩ = ca. 126)

1 2 3 4

5 6 7 13 14

15 16 17 18

19 20 21 22 23

24 25 26 27 28

29 30 31 32 33

34 35 36 37 38

39 40 41 42 43

44 45 46 47 48

f

f

mf

cresc.

f

poco rit. al fine

ff

SK

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for congregational singing

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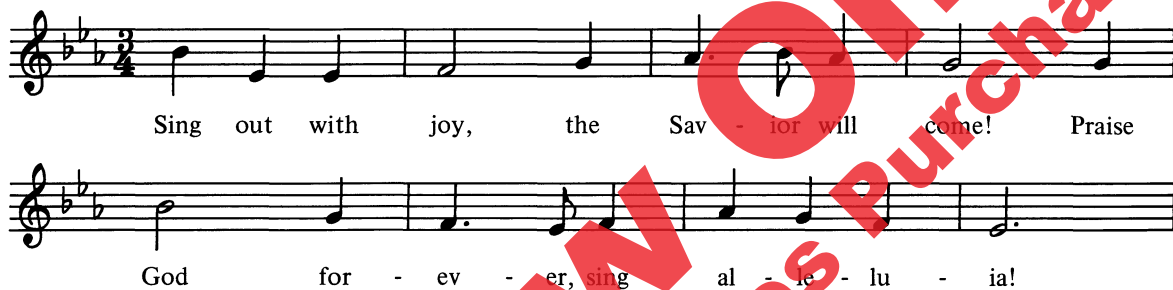
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ADVENT TEXT

Refrain: Sing out with joy, the Savior will come!
(Choir only) Praise God forever, sing alleluia!

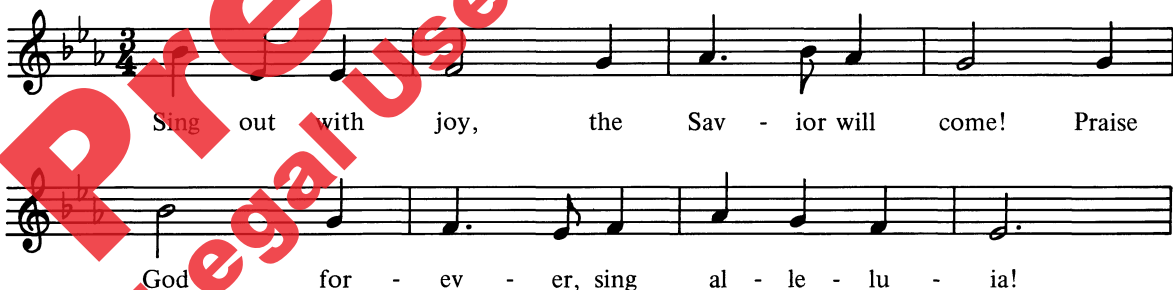
Refrain:
(Choir and Congregation)



Sing out with joy, the Sav - ior will come! Praise
God for - ev - er, sing al - le - lu - ia!

Verse: Almighty Lord, we sing your name,
(Choir only) with grateful hearts your love proclaim;
Let all creation join the cry
and praise the Lord our God, most high!

Refrain:
(Choir and Congregation)



Sing out with joy, the Sav - ior will come! Praise
God for - ev - er, sing al - le - lu - ia!

Postlude: Sing out with joy! Alleluia! Amen!
(Choir only)

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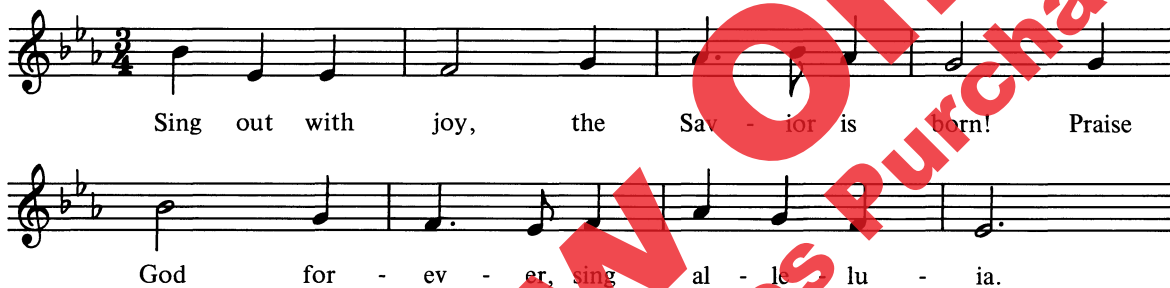
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CHRISTMAS TEXT

Refrain: Sing out with joy, the Savior is born!
(Choir only) Praise God forever, sing alleluia!

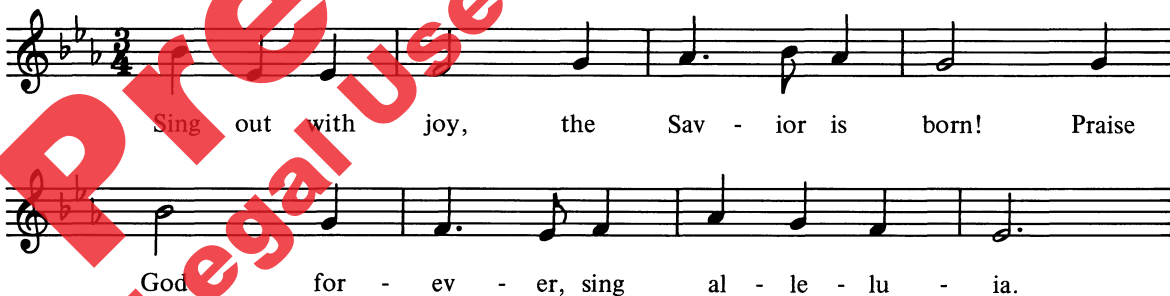
Refrain:
(Choir and Congregation)



Sing out with joy, the Sav - ior is born! Praise
God for - ev - er, sing al - le - lu - ia.

Verse: Almighty Lord, we sing your name,
(Choir only) with grateful hearts your love proclaim;
let all creation join the cry
and praise the Lord our God, most high!

Refrain:
(Choir and Congregation)



Sing out with joy, the Sav - ior is born! Praise
God for - ev - er, sing al - le - lu - ia.

Postlude: Sing out with joy! Alleluia! Amen!
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EASTER TEXT

Refrain: Sing out with joy, Christ rose from the grave!
(Choir only) Praise God forever, sing alleluia!

Refrain:
(Choir and Congregation)

Sing out with joy, Christ rose from the grave! Praise
God for - ev - er, sing al - le - lu - ia!

Verse: Almighty Lord, we sing your name,
(Choir only) with grateful hearts your love proclaim;
Let all creation join the cry
and praise the Lord our God, most high!

Refrain:
(Choir and Congregation)

Sing out with joy, Christ rose from the grave! Praise
God for - ev - er, sing al - le - lu - ia!

Postlude: Sing out with joy! Alleluia! Amen!
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