

A Christmas Musical Drama

For S.A.B. voices and narrator(s), with optional soloist, congregation and instrumental ensemble

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Foreword

O Come, Emmanuel is an exceptional 6-minute Christmas musical drama by the acclaimed composer, Robert Sterling. Designed to be incorporated into Christmas worship or within a Christmas service or concert, it is the perfect alternative to much longer cantatas.

Singing the traditional advent hymn, *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*, the musical opens with the longing, quiet expectation of a world awaiting a savior. Then we hear the proclamation that the Lord "has come and redeemed His People." The choir jubilantly responds with *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*. The narrator tells us of the angel appearing to the shepherds, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy!" A soloist then sings the traditional, beloved carol, *The First Noel*, and the choir joins at the end of the verse. The musical concludes with the glorious and soaring carol, *Angels We Have Heard on High*.

Available in both S.A.T.B. and S.A.B. voicings, **O Come, Emmanuel** features narration and optional soloist and congregation. Orchestrated accompaniment package, No. 29246, and a fully-orchestrated performance/accompaniment compact disc (CD), No. 29245, are available separately. The S.A.T.B. Preview Pack serves as a terrific rehearsal aid. A 2-page reproducible program for congregational participation appears on pages 18–19.

S.A.T.B.

(20 pages, narration, opt. congregation included)

No. 29242

S.A.B.

(20 pages, narration, opt. congregation included)

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Preview Pack

(S.A.T.B. Choral Score & Listening CD)

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InstruTrax CD

(accompaniment/performance)

No. 29245

InstruPax

(2 flutes, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, 3 trumpets, 3 horns, 3 trombones, tuba, harp, rhythm, drumset, percussion, 2 violins, viola, cello, string bass, and director's score)

No. 29246

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