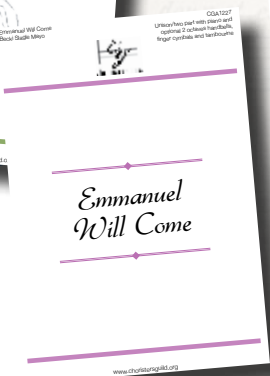
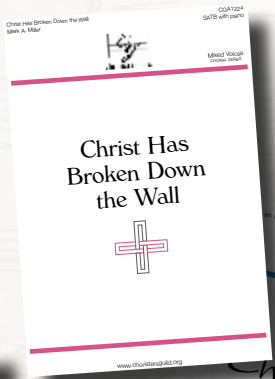


Allegro (dans un rythme très souple)  
pizz. arco

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## New Choral Releases fall 2011



# Advent, Christmas & Epiphany

## Sparkling Stars, Shining in the Night

by Nancy Raabe

Unison w/ piano \$1.85

*This delightfully charming piece plays off of the familiar children's song "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star" and is a fantastic opportunity for young children to be introduced to new musical material based on a familiar foundation. Using detached, staccato techniques in the piano and vocals, the song tells the story of the star leading the Wise Men to the baby Jesus. Children will adore this song!*



## Emmanuel Will Come

by Becki Slagle Mayo

Unison/2-part w/ piano, opt. handbells, finger cymbals & tambourine \$1.95

*This anthem, anticipating the coming of the Messiah, is written in a minor mode and uses a dance-like rhythm and feel, making it a unique addition to your Advent services. Optional handbells, finger cymbals and tambourine further enhance the piece and will get your singers excited for the coming of the Christ child.*

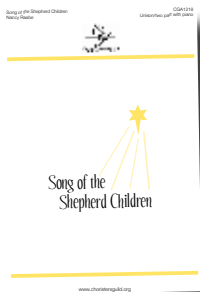


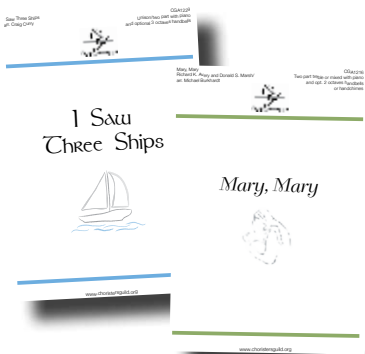
## Song of the Shepherd Children

by Nancy Raabe

Unison/2-part w/ piano \$1.85

*Nancy Raabe has created a tremendously fun and exciting piece with "Song of the Shepherd Children." The choir can sing in two separate groups or all together, depending on the capabilities of your choir. The use of a repeating simple syncopated rhythm in the vocal line will put young singers to the test as they sing of the world rejoicing that Jesus is born!*





## Mary, Mary

arr. Michael Burkhardt  
2-part w/ piano & opt.  
handbells \$1.85

*Burkhardt's arrangement of "Mary, Mary" is a haunting and thoughtful adaptation of the original song. The text explores the different names of Jesus: Lord, Shepherd, Savior and King. As the vocal line splits in to two parts, the arranger has used canon techniques and rhythmic lines against sustained lines, producing an interesting yet accessible piece for all ages.*

## Three Carols for Christmas

arr. Earlene Rentz  
SAT(B) w/ piano, opt. flute & recorder \$4.95

*Three carols, "I Heard the Bells," "Good King Wenceslas" and "Sussex Carol" have been beautifully set for choirs of mixed voices and are particularly useful for choirs with changing voices. Suitable for church or school choirs, this collection will become a go-to set for your choir when you need something accessible and interesting. Each piece includes a rehearsal preparation sheet to use in your rehearsals.*

## I Saw Three Ships

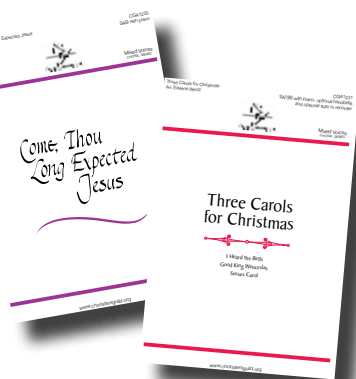
arr. Craig Curry  
Unison/2-part w/ piano & opt. handbells  
\$2.25

*Suitable for both church and school choirs, Curry's setting of the English carol is absolutely exquisite. Curry uses dramatic dynamic changes, stunning piano accompaniment and accessible harmonies that build to a climax exclaiming "let us all rejoice again on Christmas day!" Don't miss this anthem that is destined to become a best-seller!*

## Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

arr. Mark A. Miller  
SAB w/ piano & opt. solo \$1.95

*Using his gift for modernizing hymn tunes, Miller utilizes gorgeous contemporary harmonies and a new and interesting melodic line to bring this classic hymn to new life. Youth and adult choirs alike will enjoy the beautiful piano accompaniment and the syncopated rhythms in the vocal lines.*



# General Anthems

## **This Is the Day**

by Mark Burrows

Unison w/ piano \$1.85

*"This Is the Day" is a simple, energetic, go-to piece for choirs looking for a celebratory song to which they can clap and stomp. Proclaiming that "this is the day that the Lord has made," the text will suit any occasion, and the syncopated rhythms will challenge the singers and keep them engaged.*



## **A Love Round**

arr. Nancy Gifford

Unison round w/ piano \$1.75

*This traditional Christian song has been arranged in a simple round for young singers by Gifford. Using the age-old lesson of "loving your neighbor as yourself" this piece is both a musical and spiritual teaching tool for young choirs. The piece begins in unison and then breaks in to a two-part round, helping children to learn to sing in parts.*

## **All Things Work Together for Good**

by Lynn Shaw Bailey

Unison w/ piano & opt. flute or other C treble instrument \$1.95

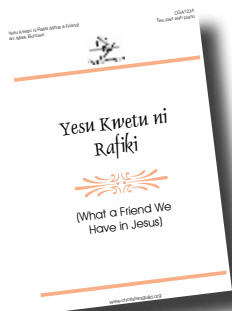
*Bailey's setting of Romans 8:28 teaches us that "in all things God works for the good of those who love him, and have been called according to his purpose." Written especially for elementary-age children, this delightful piece uses triple meter, simple intervals and sustained notes to assist the singers in creating a beautiful sound. The octavo also includes a short and meaningful narrative that can be read by children or adults during your church service.*

## Yesu Kwetu ni Rafiki (What a Friend We Have in Jesus)

arr. Mark Burrows

Two-part w/ piano & opt. percussion \$1.95

*In 2009, Burrows started a music academy for children in Kenya. In finding that "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" was a popular hymn in Kenya, Burrows decided to arrange a version of the hymn using both the English and Swahili languages. Western and African cultures come together in this piece and enhance each other greatly. The use of African percussion will deepen the authenticity of the piece. Children and congregations will adore this joyful adaptation of the hymn.*



## Come to Me

by Margaret Tucker

Unison/2-part w/ piano & opt. flute \$1.85

*Tucker's setting of the story of Jesus welcoming the little children was the winner of the 2009 "Kirk's Fund" Children's Choir Anthem Competition in Scarsdale, New York. Gentle, sweet and incredibly lovely, this anthem will help young singers to learn how important their place is in the Kingdom of God.*

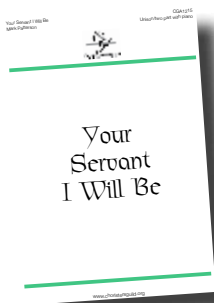


## Your Servant I Will Be

by Mark Patterson

Unison/2-part w/ piano \$1.85

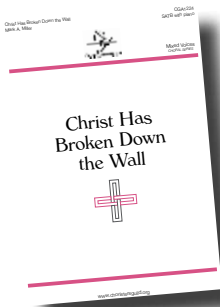
*Perfect for graduation, dedication services, memorial services or any time of the year, this interpretation of Ephesians 3:7-11 by Patterson reminds us that because of God's grace we can achieve great things. This unison/2-part setting is suitable for children, youth or adults, and the interesting melody will keep singers engaged and challenged.*



## Christ Has Broken Down the Wall

by Mark A. Miller

SATB w/ piano & opt. solo \$1.85



*This combination of incredibly moving text and music is ideal for today's youth choirs. Set in a gospel style, the piece reminds us that "we're accepted as we are," that "peace and love are freely offered" by God and that God has called us to "join our hearts as one" in all that we go through. Youth and adults alike will connect with the text and music. This piece should not be missed.*

## My Everything

by Keith Hampton

SATB w/ piano & opt. solo \$1.95

*The incomparable Keith Hampton has written a beautiful gospel piece full of praise and admiration for the God who is our everything. Featuring an optional solo, full choir and a layered texture vocal section, this piece is an example of the gospel style at its finest. Youth and adult choirs will identify with the message of the text and will be inspired by the expressive music.*

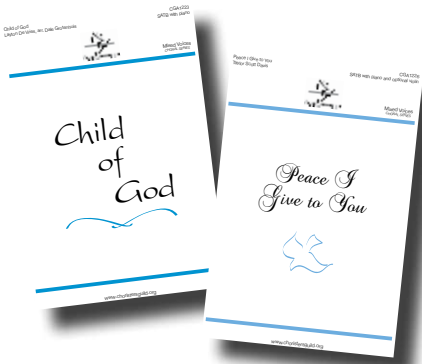
## Tell It to Jesus

arr. Ken Berg

SATB w/ piano and opt. solo \$1.95

*This timeless hymn has been masterfully and beautifully arranged by Ken Berg. The use of an optional solo, an optional a cappella section and an absolutely gorgeous piano accompaniment make this anthem interesting and dynamic.*





## Peace I Give to You

by Taylor Davis

SATB w/ piano & opt. violin \$1.85

*In an uncertain world, "Peace I Give to You" reminds us that God's peace will always remain. Davis' stunning composition uses a beautifully simple piano accompaniment, exquisite vocal harmonies and a soaring violin line, working together in an extremely moving way. The message of the piece and the musical techniques make this a must-sing for your youth or adult choir.*

## Jesus Christ the Apple Tree

by Mark Patterson

SA(T)B w/ piano & opt. solo \$1.85

*"Jesus Christ the Apple Tree" is a poem based on text from Song of Solomon 2:3 and conveys the message that all other trees are fruitless compared to the tree of life that is Jesus Christ. Patterson has taken care to arrange this text using music that is both tender and meaningful.*

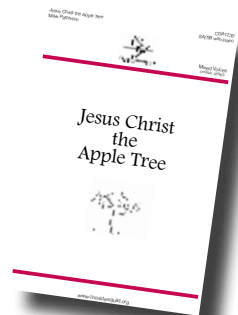
## Child of God

by Layton De Vries

arr. Dale Grotenhuis

SATB w/ piano \$1.95

*Composer Layton De Vries died at the age of 24 as the result of injuries received in an automobile accident. Layton wrote "Child of God" during the last few years of his life. Everything about this piece will appeal to youth and adult choirs: its text, melody, vocal harmonies and piano accompaniment. The meaningful text and beautiful melody have been skillfully arranged by Dale Grotenhuis. "Child of God" is perfect for any time of the year, but will fit especially well in graduations, confirmation services and baptisms.*



# Christmas Musicals from Choristers Guild



## Radio J-O-Y!

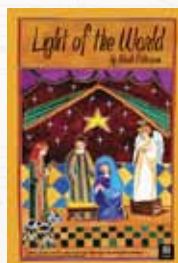
by Terry York & Vicki Hancock Wright \$8.95

*This delightful Christmas musical retells the nativity story through songs and stories of those who shared in the glorious event of Christ's birth. Radio studio 'J-O-Y' sets the stage where a local children's choir presents the Christmas story with disc jockey celebrity, 'Dee Jay'. Performance time: 30-40 minutes.*

## Light of the World

by Mark Patterson \$8.95

*This well-crafted musical combines original songs and familiar carols from around the world to tell the Christmas story. Through narration, drama and song, choristers share how Jesus came to be the 'Light of the World' over 2,000 years ago. Many of the songs could be used separately for worship. Performance time: 30-40 minutes.*



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## Can't Wait to Sing! 2

by Mark Patterson

Designed especially for middle and upper elementary choirs, this song collection provides many resources to successfully lead your children's choir throughout the church year!

use the collection as:

- a songbook for children's choir, sunday school, music camps and vacation bible school
- a teaching resource for helping children to grow musically and spiritually
- a music curriculum supplement



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