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All the arrangements in this collection may be rung with only 6 ringers, and the Handbells Used Chart for each piece provides suggested assignments. Four-in-hand ringing is never necessary, although bells could be assigned that way if desired. Because there are more than 12 bells used in each piece, some ringers will have more than two bells, and it will be necessary to have a table(s) or a place to put additional bells and optional mallets.

In each Handbells Used Chart, the brackets and numbers indicate which bells are assigned to each of the 6 ringers. If more than one ringer could be assigned a specific bell, that is indicated as "4 or 5." If two or more ringers must share a bell, the HUC indicates in what measures each ringer will ring the bell - "2 (2-4, 10, 18), 3 (5-8, 12, 20-31)." These assignments are only suggestions, and may be modified to suit the needs of the group.

Occasionally a measure number will be enclosed in a circle. These rehearsal numbers help the director and ringers easily find good starting places. If handchimes are available, groups are encouraged to experiment with ways to incorporate them. Melodies may be singled out by ringing them on chimes with the accompaniment rung on bells, or entire sections/verses may be rung on chimes to provide variety. Creativity is encouraged!



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Music for 6 Ringers

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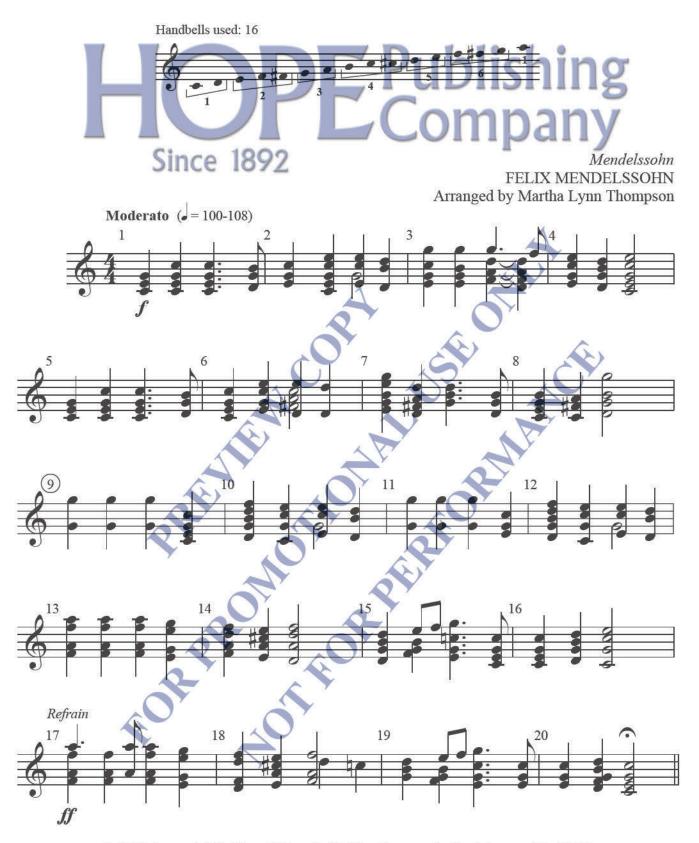
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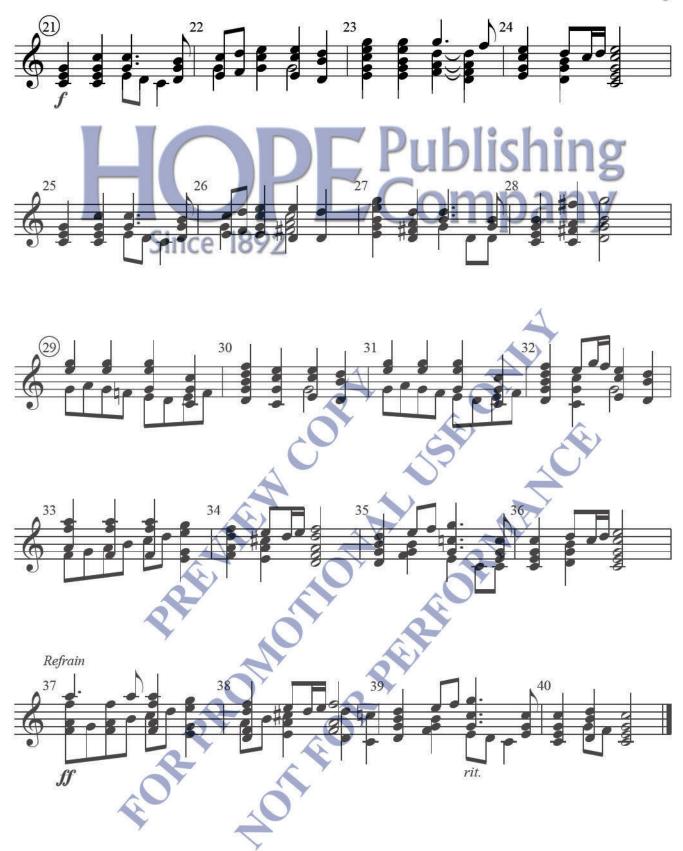
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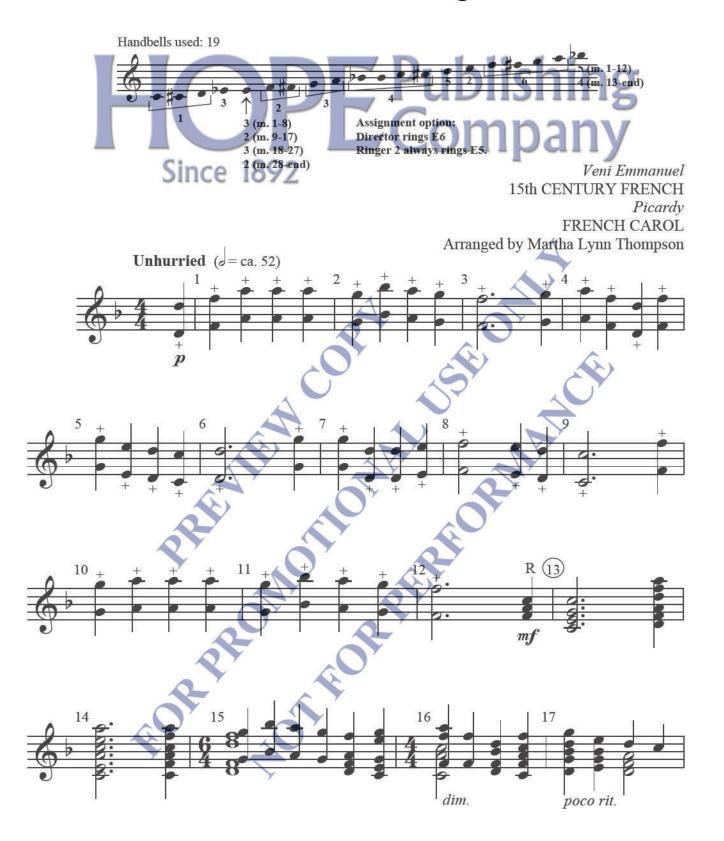
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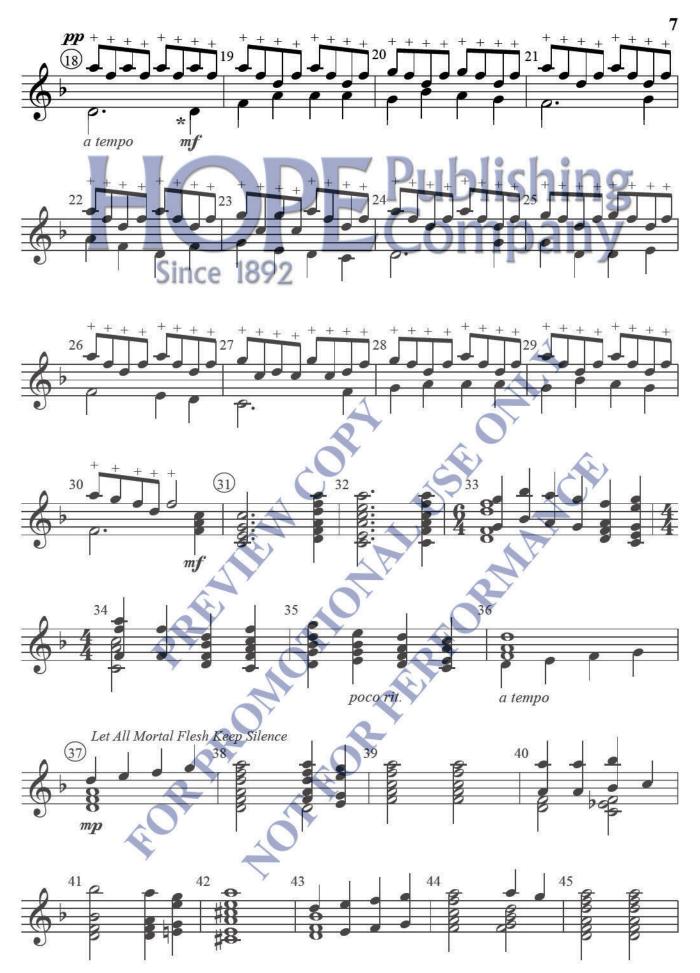


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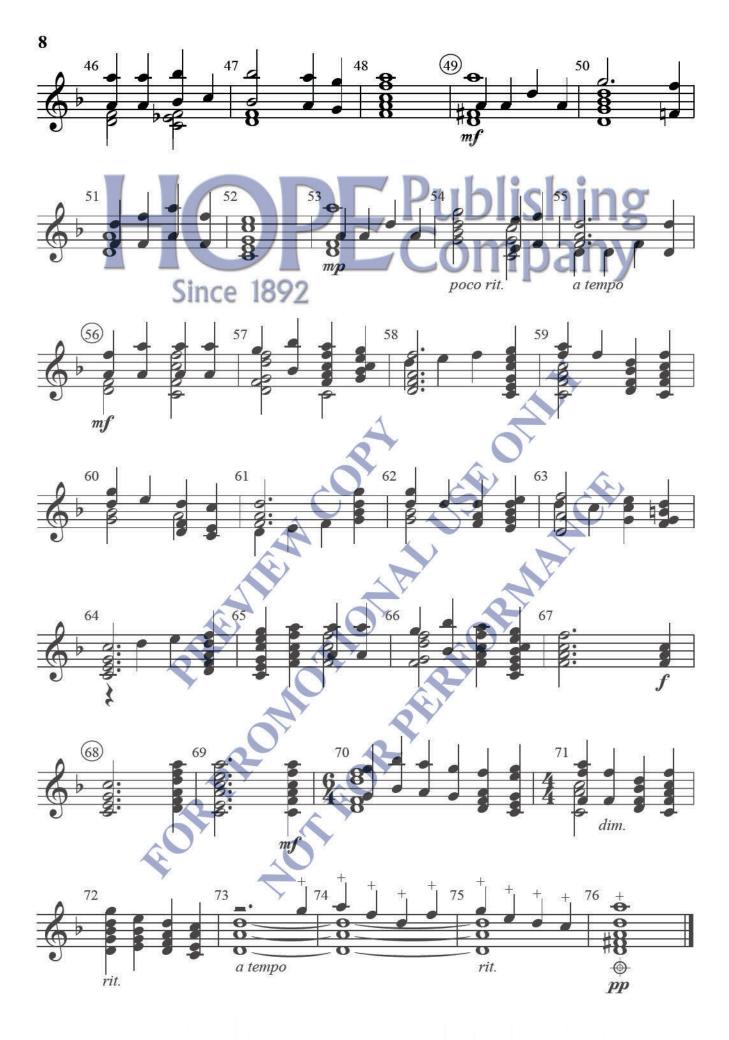


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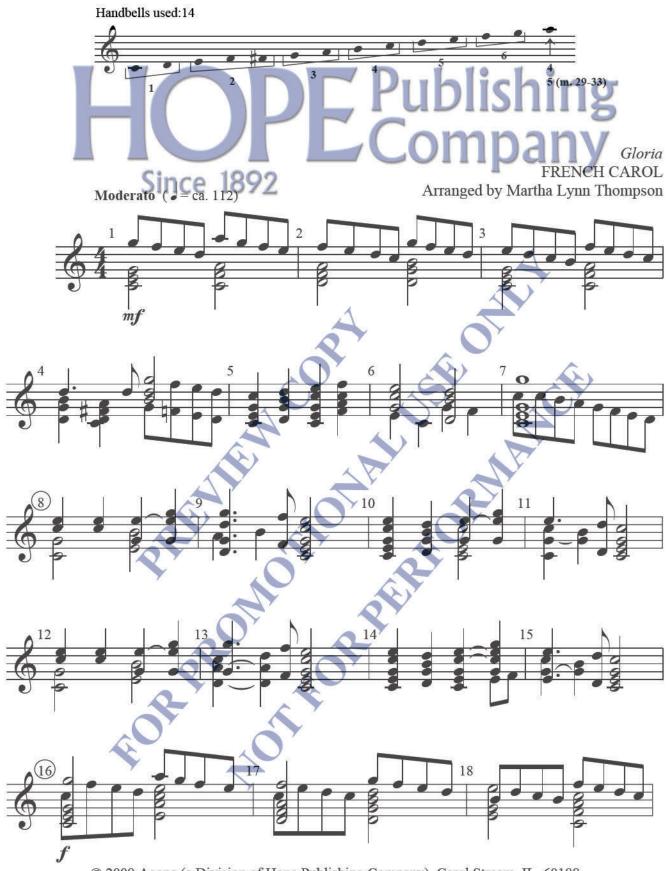




^{*} From here through beat 1 of measure 30, the melody may be rung on handchimes.



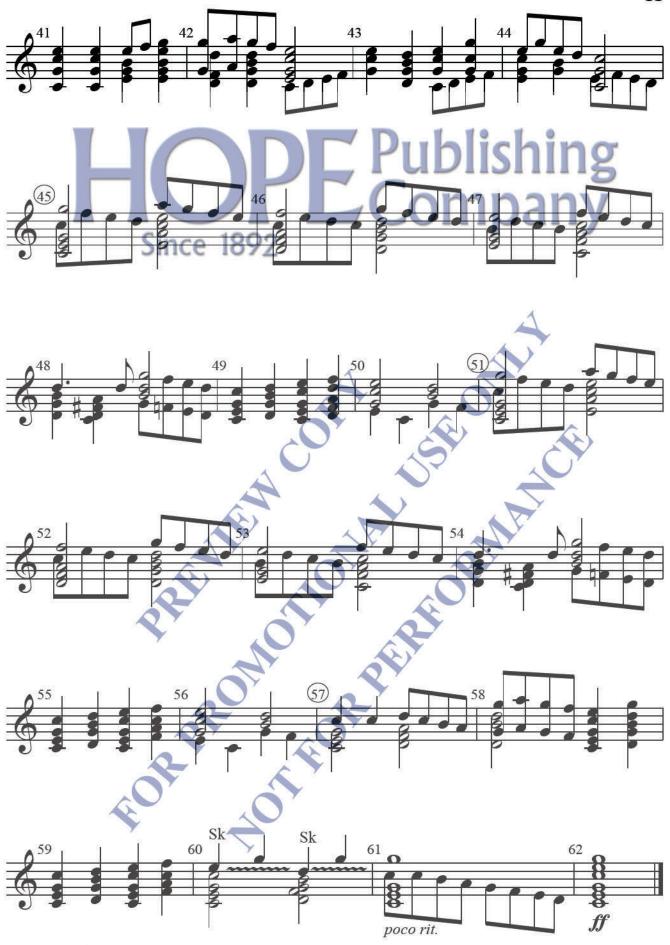
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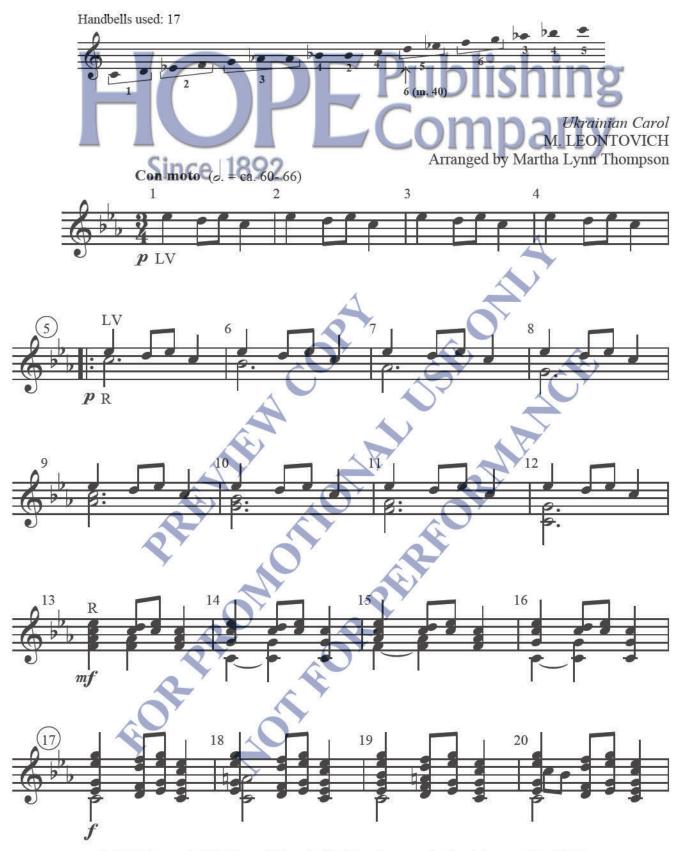




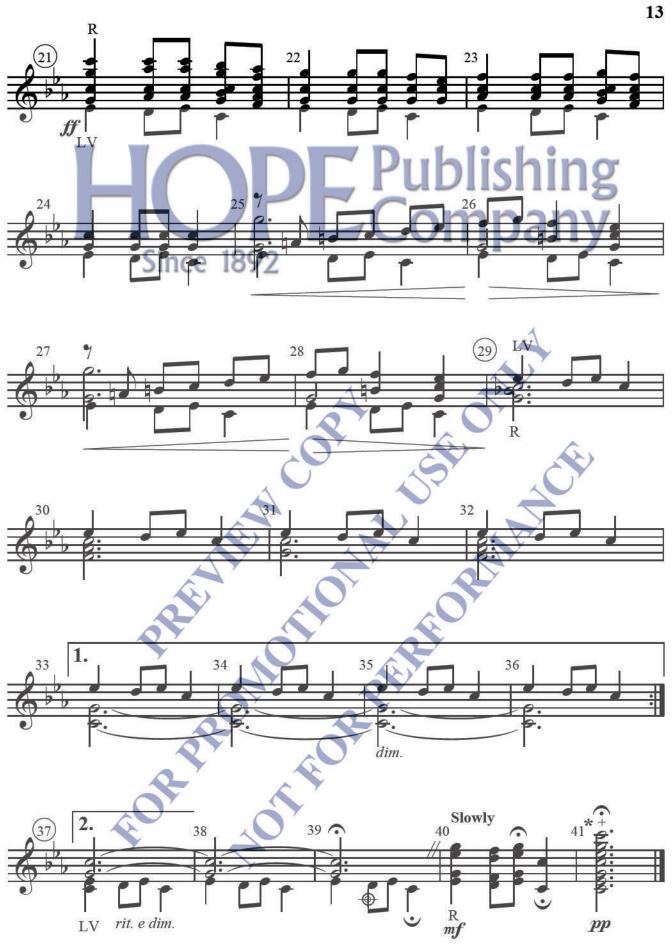


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(Carol of the Bells)

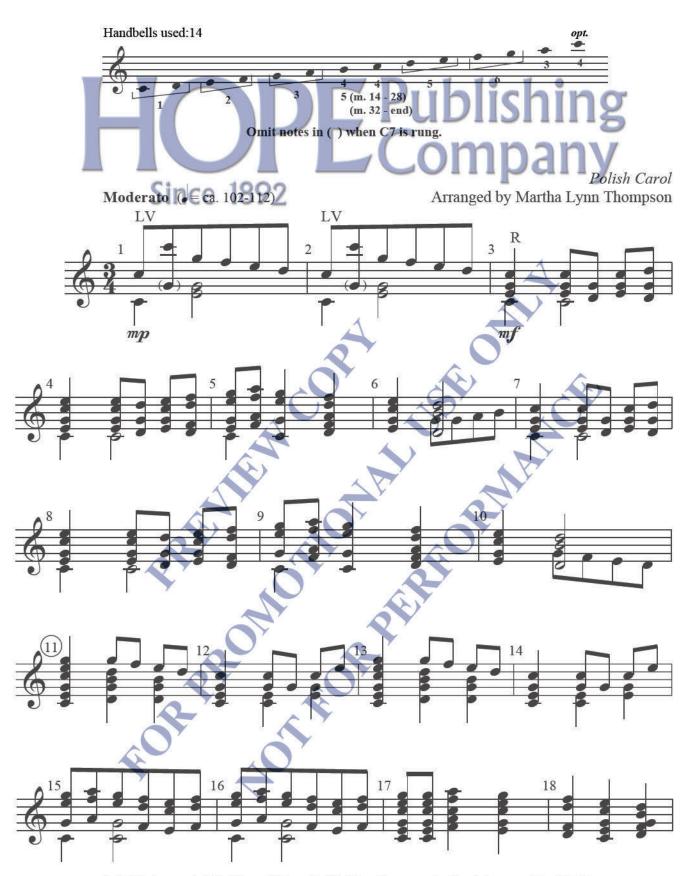


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^{*} The use of mallets is optional.

O Come Rejoicing



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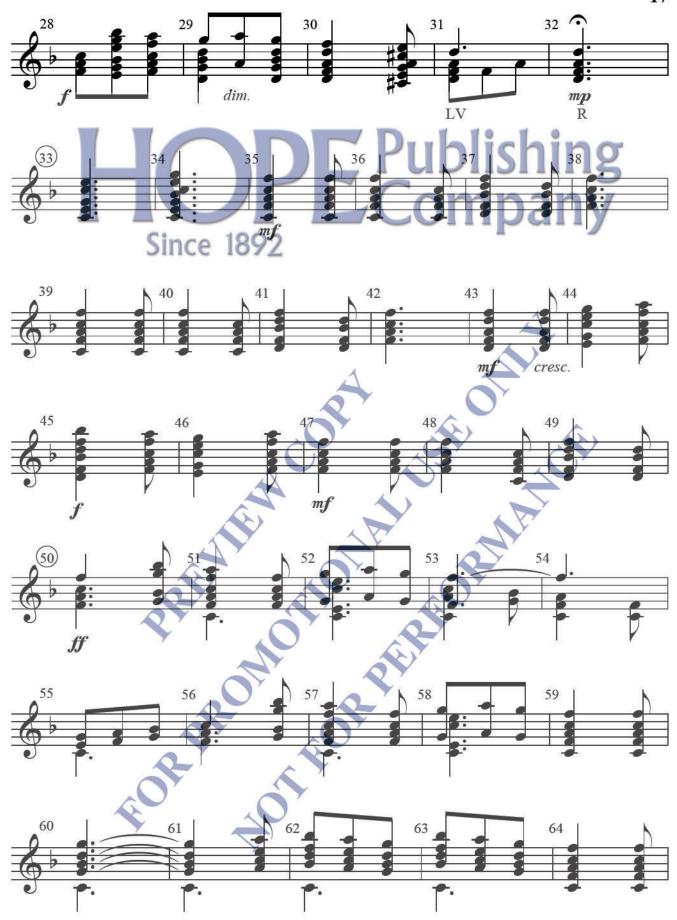


* Bring out melody in down-stemmed notes (21-28).

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