for Dr. Mary Hopper JAZZ ALLELUIA

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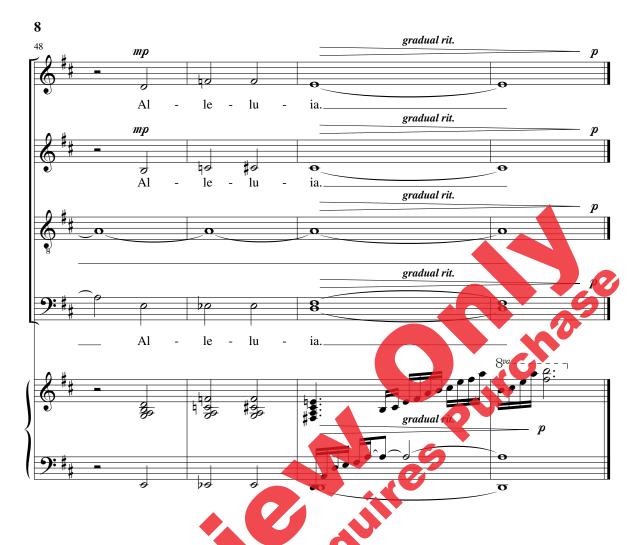












Jazz Alleluia is a highly musical and unique anthem of praise which offers a variety of emotional moments for performer and listener alike. From quiet to soaring, the piece is lyrically simple, yet profound in the exploration of the many "moods" of praising with a single word. The word "Alleluia" or "Hallelujah" (from Hebrew) literally means "Praise ye Yah" or "Praise Jah, you people." By paying close attention to phrasing, dynamics and tempo coloring, the piece will come alive all the more in its presentation.

Craig Curry is a widely-published free-lance composer and arranger. An accomplished pianist, he has released seven albums of his published piano works. Based in Vichita, KS, Craig serves on the faculty at Friends University where he directs the Jazz Vocal Ensemble. He holds degrees from Wheaton College (B.M., Piano Performance) and the University of Miami (M.M., Media Writing and Production).



In the Shadow of the Cross is a poignantly beautiful, yet highly accessible anthem for S.A.T.B. voices that calls the listener to reflect on the love and freedom that is found because of the cross of Jesus. It is suitable for communion, during Lent and Holy Week, or any time that Christ's sacrificial love is the worship theme. Suggested scripture texts which correspond include Is. 32:1–2, Matt. 26–27, Mark 15–16, Luke 3-14, John 19, Gal. 2:19–20, Phil. 2:1–8, Col. 1:15–23, and Heb. 12:1–2.

Lee Dengler is a composer and arranger with over 300 published choral anthems, books for vocal and piano solo, and Christmas and Holy Week cantatas to his credit. He studied choral composition and arranging with Alice Parker and received his Bachelor of Music and Master of Music degrees from West Chester University in West Chester, PA. He is a freelance music editor and engraver.

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