## **EDITOR'S NOTE**

Carl Czerny (1791–1857) was born in Vienna to a musical family, his grandfather a violinist and his father a piano teacher. After piano lessons with his father at an early age, Czerny became a student of Beethoven's. Although he began a career as a concert pianist, he abandoned his public performances to become a piano teacher, counting among his students Franz Liszt. As a teacher, Czerny wrote volumes of piano exercises and studies for his students, repertoire for which he is most known. As a composer of choral music, Czerny produced two volumes of offertories and graduals as well as extended works for chorus and orchestra including settings of the Te Deum.

Carl Czerny's "Beatus Vir" is for SATB chorus, a cappella. The translation of the Latin text is as follows: Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who takes joy in his commandments. His seed will be powerful on earth, the generation of the righteous will be blessed. Glory and wealth will be in his house, and his justice will last forever.

This edition is based upon a hand copied score located in the Musiksammlung of the Osterreichische Nationalbibliothek in Vienna, Volume One of a collection of Graduals, F24 St. Peter D78/I–XXII.

The present edition adheres closely to the above-mentioned source, noting editorial markings in parantheses. Voice parts, notated in moveable clefs, were rewritten in treble clef: where text was indicated in only one voice part, the text has been written out in full.

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