

The Lord Is Beautiful

SATB (Call and Response) and Keyboard,
with Shakers, Claves, and Drum

Tanzanian Traditional
Gesangbuch, Münster, 1677

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A

Call: *Ni - me - mwo - na Bwa - na.*

Soprano Alto: *Ni - me - mwo - na Bwa -*

Tenor Bass:

Keyboard: *(a tempo)*

Shakers: *(3 + 3 + 2)*

Claves: *(3 + 3 + 2)*

Drum: *(3 + 3 + 2)*

Text Pronunciation Guide, Translation, and Performance Notes are on page 8.

Section A **Text:** Tanzanian Traditional; **Tune:** NIMEMWONA BWANA, Tanzanian Traditional (PD).

Section B **Text:** *Gesangbuch*, Münster, 1677; Tr. Church Chorals and Choir Studies, 1850, alt. (PD).

Tune: SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 1842 (PD).

Alternate Section B **Text:** *Gesangbuch*, Münster, 1677; Tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823-1904 (PD).

Tune: SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 1842 (PD).

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Musical score for three voices (Soprano, Alto, Bass) and piano, page 3.

The score consists of four systems of music:

- System 1:** Treble clef, 3/4 time, B-flat key signature. Soprano part: "Ni - me - mwo - na." Alto part: "na." Bass part: "Bwa -".
- System 2:** Treble clef, 3/4 time, B-flat key signature. Soprano part: "na." Alto part: "Ni - me - mwo - na Bwa -". Bass part: "Bwa -".
- System 3:** Treble clef, 3/4 time, B-flat key signature. Soprano part: "Bwa -". Alto part: "Bwa -". Bass part: "Bwa -".
- System 4:** Treble clef, 3/4 time, B-flat key signature. Soprano part: "Bwa -". Alto part: "Bwa -". Bass part: "Bwa -".

Piano accompaniment is present in all systems, indicated by a treble clef and bass clef staff with various dynamic markings and rests.

B

10 *a little slower*

Call

Soprano Alto

10 *a little slower mp*

Fair - est Lord Je sus, Ru - ler of all

Tenor Bass

a little slower Ni - me - mwo - na Bwa - na.

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na - ture, O thou of God to earth come
Ni - me - mwo - na Bwa - na. O thou of God to earth come
Ni - me - mwo - na Bwa - na.

17

8

down, down, Thee will I cher - ish, Thee will I
Ni - me - mwo - na Bwa - na.

21 (Call)

f

D.S. al Fine

Ni - me mwo - na Bwa - na.

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D.S. al Fine

hon - or, Thou my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.

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