

# What Wondrous Love Is This

Handbells Used: 3 Octaves (36 bells)  
 4 Octaves (47 bells)  
 5 Octaves (54 bells)  
 plus two opt. bells (A2, B $\flat$ 2)

Three octave choirs omit notes in ( ); three and four octave choirs omit notes in < >.

*Southern Harmony*, 1835  
 Piano Setting by JOEL RANEY  
 Setting for Handbells by ARNOLD B. SHERMAN

*Reflectively* (♩ = ca. 112)

The original piano setting on which this arrangement is based can be found in the collection *Piano Meditations for Communion* by Joel Raney, Code No. 8247.

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won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul, what

11 12 13 14

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won - drous love is this, O my soul! What

15 16 17 18

won - drous love is this that caused the Lord of

19 20 21

bliss to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul, for my

22 23 24 25

This system contains measures 22 through 25. The vocal line is in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The lyrics are: "bliss to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul, for my". The piano accompaniment is in a grand staff (treble and bass clefs). Measure numbers 22, 23, 24, and 25 are indicated above the piano staff. A slur covers measures 22 through 25 in the piano part.

soul, to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul!

26 27 28 29

This system contains measures 26 through 29. The vocal line continues with the lyrics: "soul, to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul!". The piano accompaniment continues in the grand staff. Measure numbers 26, 27, 28, and 29 are indicated above the piano staff. A slur covers measures 26 through 29 in the piano part.

30 31 32 33

*mf* *pp*

This system contains measures 30 through 33. The vocal line is mostly silent, with a few notes in measures 30 and 31. The piano accompaniment features a complex texture with many notes in the bass clef. Measure numbers 30, 31, 32, and 33 are indicated above the piano staff. Dynamic markings *mf* (mezzo-forte) and *pp* (pianissimo) are present. Arched lines connect notes across measures, and upward-pointing arrows are located below the piano staff in measures 30, 31, 32, and 33.