

Level 3

# *The Shepherd's Promise*

Arranged for 3 to 5 Octave Handbell Choir  
with optional C Instrument and optional Piano

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Full Score

For 3-5 Octave Handbells with Optional C Instrument and Optional Piano

Handbells used: 37, (48), (58)

optional

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**PERFORMANCE NOTES:**

- 3-octave choirs omit notes in ( ).
- 4-octave choirs omit notes in [ ].
- 5-octave choirs omit notes in <>.

BROTHER JAMES' AIR  
 James Leith Macbeth Bain, 1840-1925  
 NEW BRITAIN  
 W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835  
 Arranged by KAREN LAKEY BUCKWALTER  
 (ASCAP)

**Meditatively** (♩ = 69)

C Instrument

Handbells

Piano

1 2 3 4

*mp* *rit.*

*mp* *rit.*

*mp* *rit.*

\* A Handbell Score (HB767A), and a C Instrument part (HB767B), are available for purchase.

The musical score consists of three systems of staves. The first system covers measures 5 through 9. The second system covers measures 10 through 13. The third system covers measures 14 through 17. The instruments are: Inst. (Solo Instrument), Hb. (Handbells), and Pno. (Piano). The tempo is marked 'a tempo' and the dynamics are 'mp' (mezzo-piano). The score includes various musical notations such as rests, notes, and articulation marks. A large watermark 'Preview Copy - Not for performance' is overlaid diagonally across the score.

\* Handbells ring cue-sized notes in absence of solo instrument.

14 15 16 17

Inst.

Hb.

Pno.

*mf*

R

LV

18 19 20 21

Inst.

Hb.

Pno.

R

LV

22 23 24 25

Inst. *mp*

Hb. *mp* LV R

Pno. *mp*

26 27 28 29 30

Inst.

Hb. LV R

Pno.

31 32 33 34 35

Inst.

Hb.

Pno.

36 37 38 39

Inst.

Hb.

Pno.

*mp*

40 41 42 43

Inst.

Hb.

Pno.

44 45 46 47

Inst.

Hb.

Pno.

48 49 50 51

Inst.

Hb.

Pno.

52 53 54 55

Inst.

Hb.

Pno.

LV R mf



56 57 58 59

Inst.

Hb.

Pno.

60 61 62 63

Inst.

Hb.

Pno.

64 65 66 67

Inst.

Hb.

Pno.

Sk

R

f

f

f

68 69 70 71

Inst.

Hb.

Pno.

7

Inst. 72 73 74 75

Hb.

Pno.

Inst. 76 77 78 79

Hb.

Pno.

80 81 82 83 84

Inst.

Hb.

Pno.

85 86 87 88 89

mp rit. p

mp rit. p

mp rit. p

The musical score consists of three systems of staves. The first system covers measures 80-84. The second system covers measures 85-89. The third system covers measures 85-89. The Instrument part (Inst.) is in the top staff of each system. The Handbells part (Hb.) is in the middle staff of each system. The Piano part (Pno.) is in the bottom staff of each system. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, dynamics (mp, p), and performance instructions (rit.).

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