4 - 6 octaves handbells

Ten Soundings

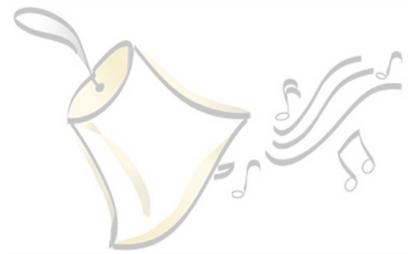
Fanfares for Bells



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Performance Notes and Suggestions

Ten Soundings for Bells is a unique collection of ten short, level one to level two, twenty-measure compositions. Each Sounding consists of a four measure introduction/coda and sixteen measures of thematic material. Within each piece, there exist no bell changes. Further, each piece is one page in length and can be played by either 2-3 octave ensembles (left page) or 4-6 octave ensembles (right page) and can be memorized, if desired. Because each version is scored in the same key and features the same notes, each version is compatible, making this collection perfect for concert or massed festival settings.

Below are some suggestions on inclusion of these short pieces into your programming:

Church

Church ensembles electing to include any of these *Soundings* in worship settings are encouraged to explore the following possibilities with each setting:

- A short, one-minute fanfare to start worship
- Complementary responses to any service element
- Benedictions or prayer responses (slower Soundings)
- Processional and recessional material

Additionally, these would make excellent introductions and short supplements to hymns. The ensemble may play the entire selection before the opening hymn (provided each selection is in a matching key). At the completion of the hymn, the first four measures may be played as a final statement. In place of the entire selection, only the first four measures may be played.

Although certainly not an exhaustive one, a list of hymns each *Sounding* may supplement is provided at the end of these introductory notes. Feel free to add more to the list as the mood dictates.

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School

School ensembles can use these pieces as warm-ups, sight reading exercises, or playing test material. These can also be used as short introductions to concerts or other special events.

Multiple selections may also be played as concert pieces, or for a more unique offering, all ten pieces may be played as a suite. Student-ringers may wish to read a poem or short famous speech before each piece. It will be left up to the director's discretion whether or not the spoken material is to be memorized.

Director/teachers may also find the above option an excellent opportunity for cross-curricular studies in the classroom setting.

Additional Notes

Handchimes may be used for the entirety of each piece or in substitution for bells in several measures. Chime choirs are reminded to exercise caution with more percussive staccato markings, as these may cause damage to the instrument. A straight ring or vibrato should be substituted for shakes.

For a more unique presentation, *Sounding #5* may be performed entirely on suspended mallets. Judicious damping is required so the chords do not "melt" into one another.

Where notated, two octave ensembles should omit notes enclosed in parentheses (), and four octave ensembles should omit notes enclosed in brackets [].

With the exception of *Sounding #9*, all pieces are one-page numbers. *Sounding #9* is two pages to save system clutter, but no page turns are necessary.

No bells used charts are included, since all bells within the selected key signature and specified range are needed (minus six octave ensembles, where only two or three notes are used in the bottom half).

Enjoy each offering, and may you feel as much enrichment ringing these as I did composing them.

Soli Deo Gloria!

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Suggested Church Hymns

Sounding #I in Eb

All Creatures of Our God and King

This Is My Father's World

Fairest Lord Jesus

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

The Church's One Foundation

God of the Ages

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Sounding #2 in Bb

How Great Thou Art

Majesty, Worship His Majesty

Angels from the Realms of Glory

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Standing on the Promises

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

America the Beautiful

Sounding #3 in G

When in Our Music God is Glorified

For the Beauty of the Earth

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Sounding #4 in D

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

Joy to the World

The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done

Thine Be the Glory

Blessed Assurance

Rejoice, the Lord Is King (DARWALL'S 148th)

Sounding #5 in C

Morning Has Broken

When Morning Gilds the Skies

When We All Get to Heaven

Sounding #6 in F

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

(CORONATION)

Lift High the Cross

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today (EASTER

HYMN)

Up from the Grave He Arose

Sounding #9 in Ab

To God Be the Glory

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

O How I Love Jesus

Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

How Firm a Foundation

Faith of Our Fathers

Sounding #10 in G

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Come, Thou Almighty King

O Worship the King

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

For All the Saints

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart lease return to our store

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus O OTGET THIS ITEM

Angels We Have Heard on High

Sounding #7 in A

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (DIADEM)

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Sounding #8 in C

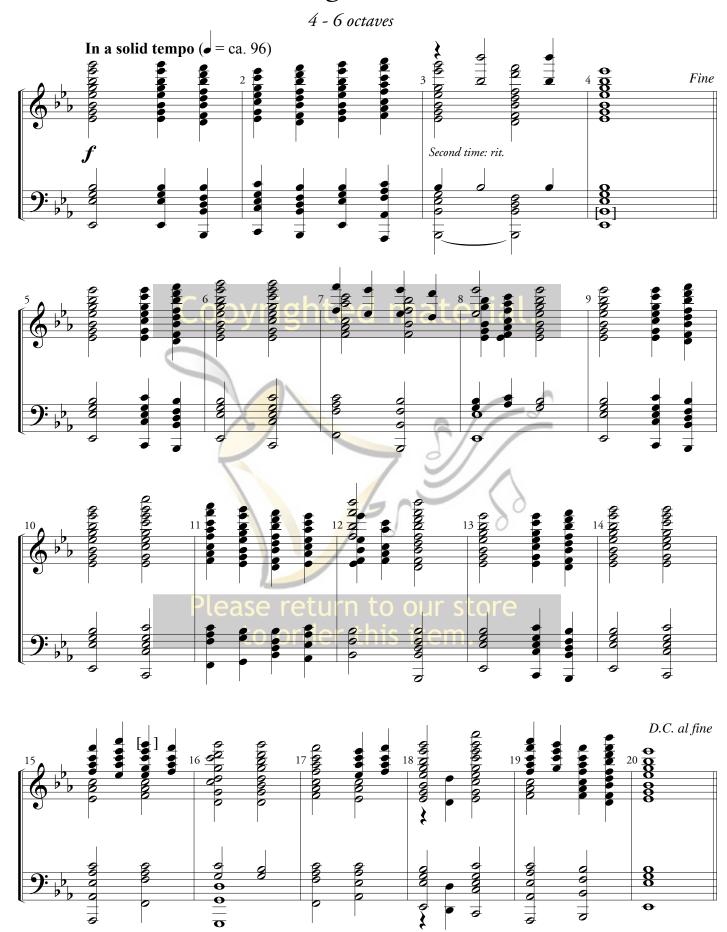
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Sounding #1 in Eb



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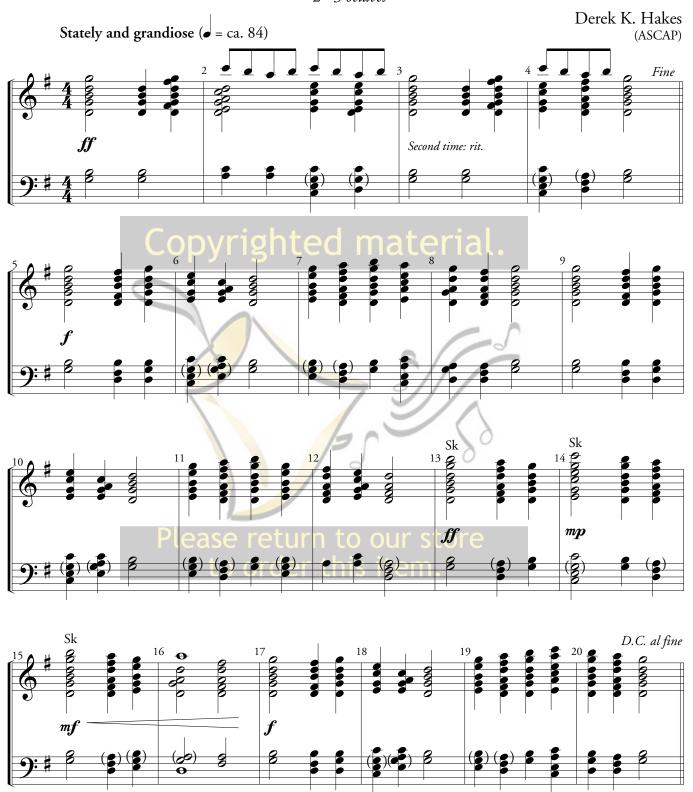




^{*}Play G6 and Bb6 second time only

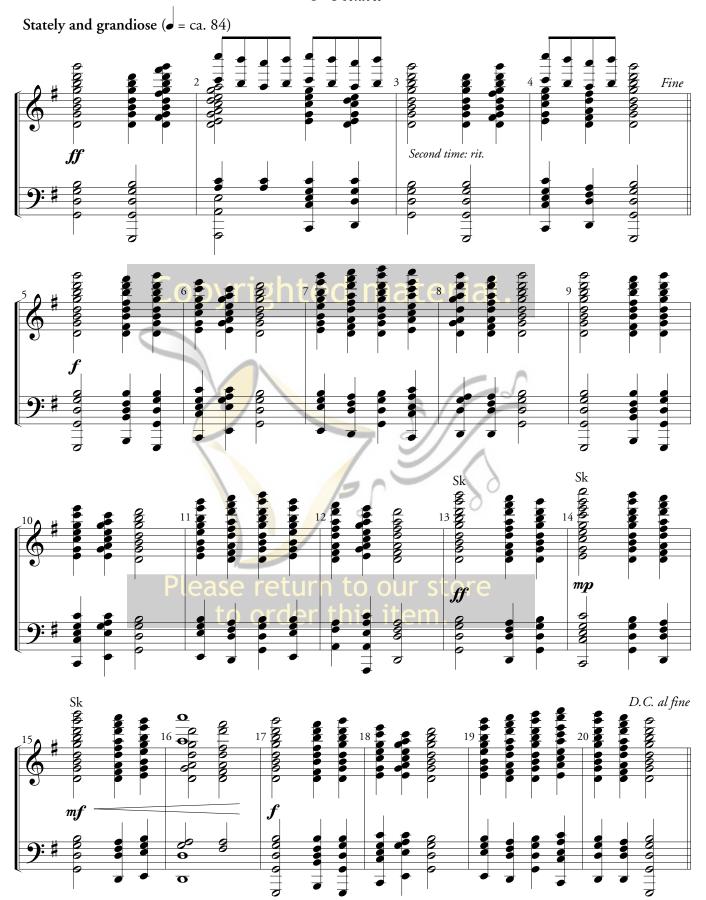


Sounding #3 in G



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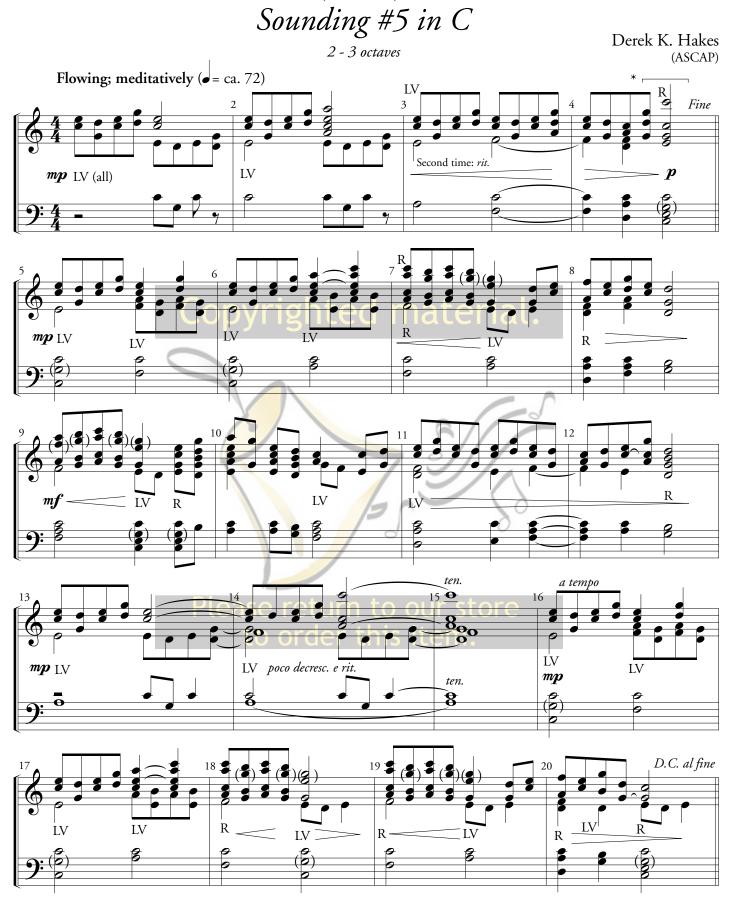
4 - 6 octaves



Sounding #4 in D

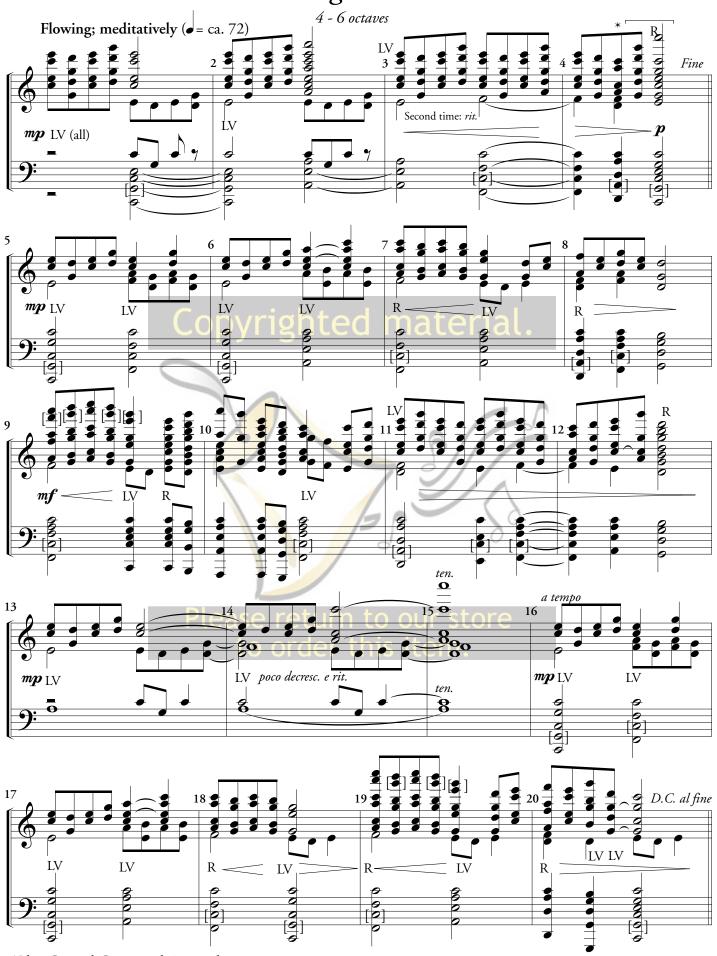




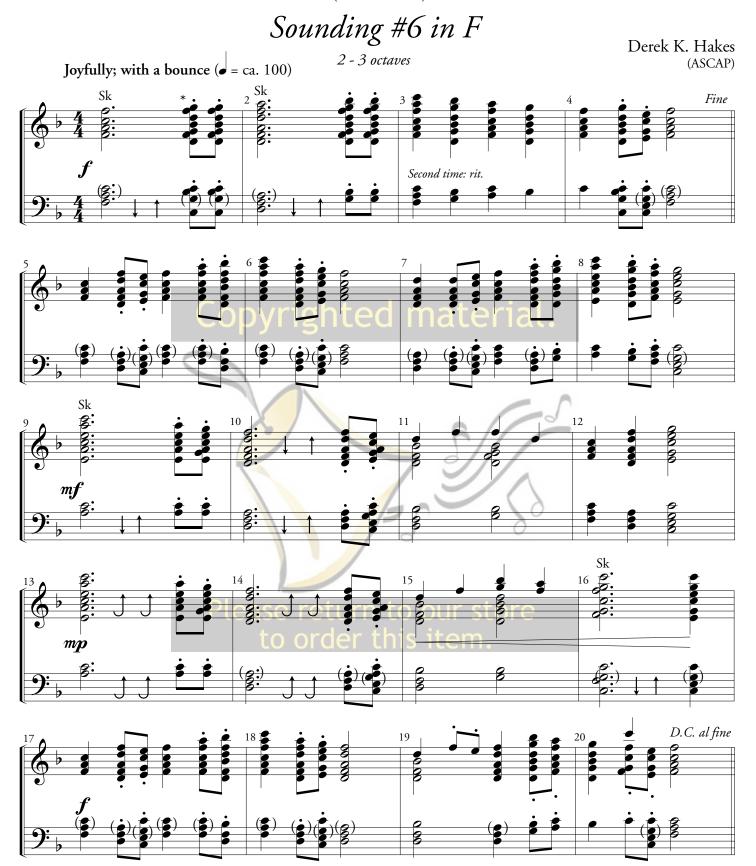


*Play G6 and C7 second time only

Sounding #5 in C



*Play G7 and C8 second time only



^{*}Perform all staccato dots with either a RT, pluck, or martellato; additionally, if this piece is bring performed memorized, the echoes may become either body echoes or gyros

Sounding #6 in F



^{*}Perform all staccato dots with either a RT, pluck, or martellato; additionally, if this piece is bring performed memorized, the echoes may become either body echoes or gyros

"Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting. And let all the people say, 'Amen.' Praise the Lord!" (Psalm 106:48)

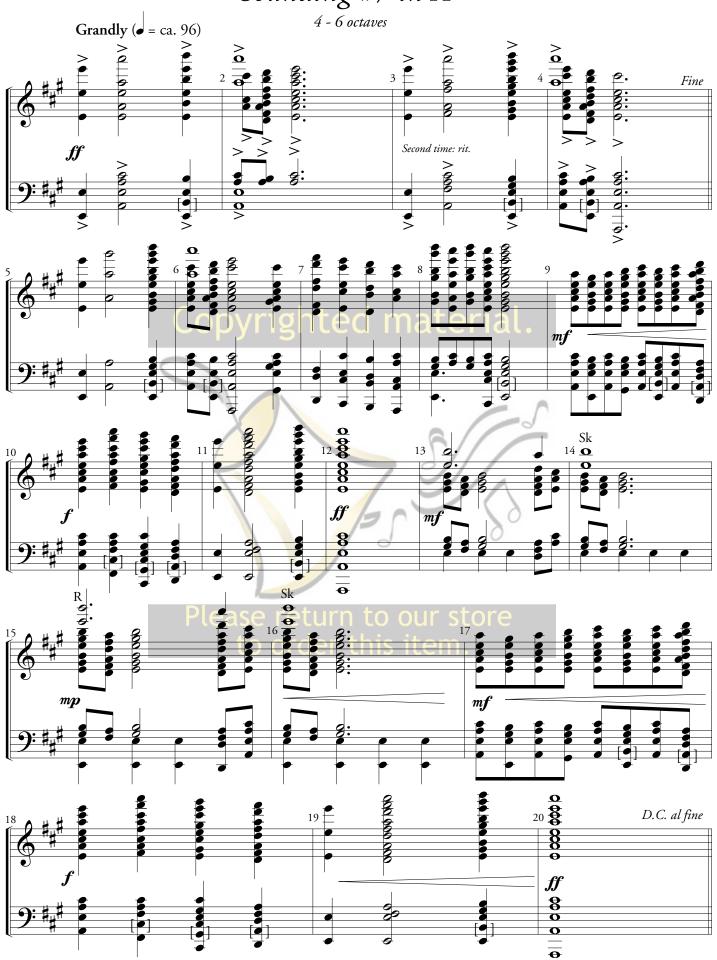


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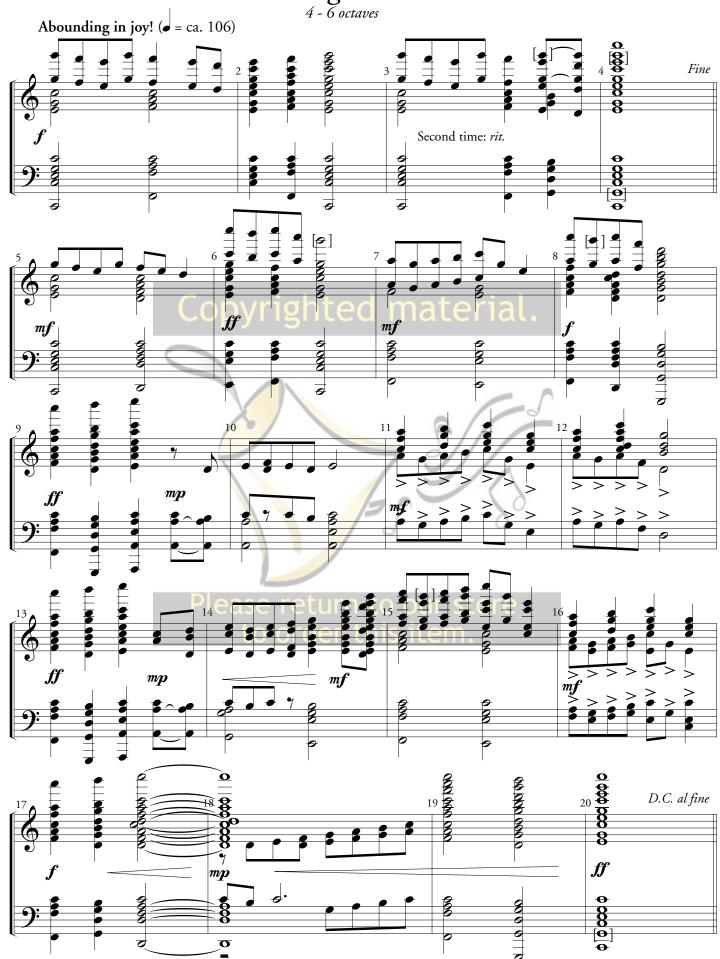
Sounding #7 in A



Sounding #8 in C



Sounding #8 in C



Sounding #9 in Ab

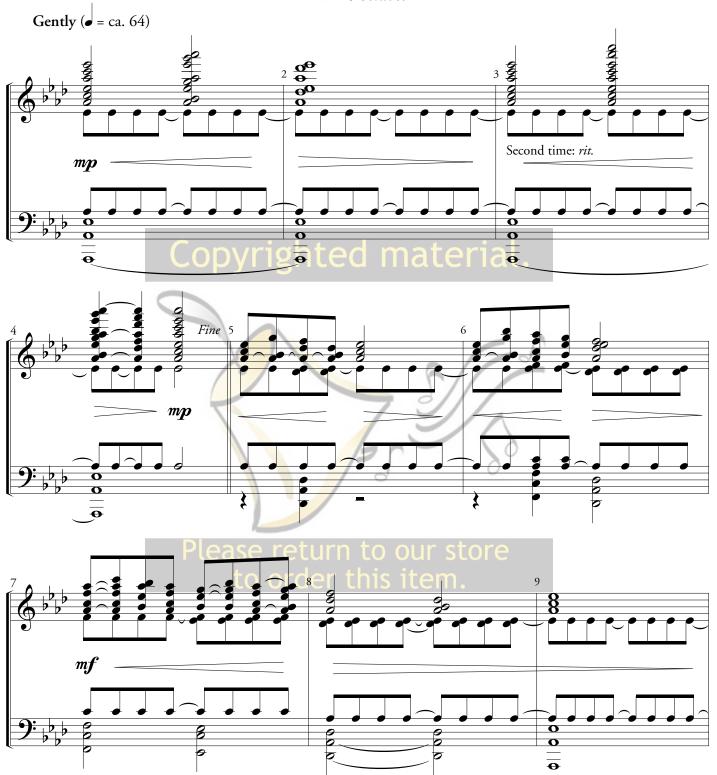
2 - 3 octaves





Sounding #9 in Ab

4 - 6 octaves



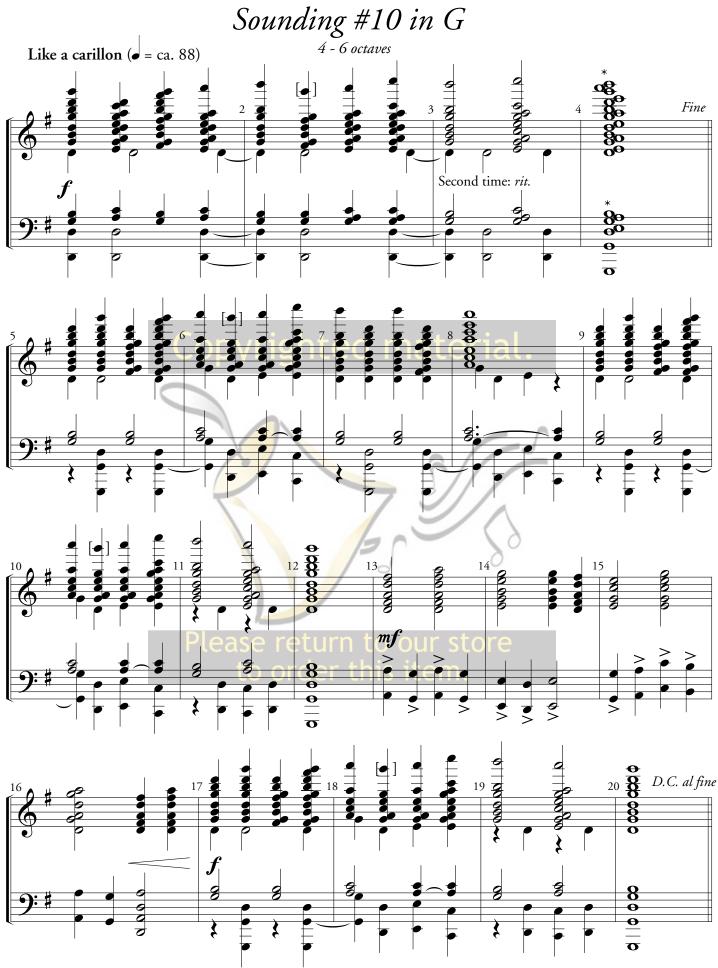


Sounding #10 in G



^{*}Play all extra tones (As and Es) the second time only

^{**}Downstemmed notes measures 5-12 and 17-20 are for three octave ensembles only



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