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## Messiah

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PART I
1-1 SINFONIA











1-2 Recitative: Comfort ye, my people (tenor)



1-3 Air: Every valley shall be exhalted (tenor)






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1-4 Chorus: And the glory of the Lord


















1-5 Recitative: Thus saith the Lord of Hosts (bass)



1-6 Air: But who may abide the day of His coming (contralto)




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## 1-7 Chorus: And He shall purify the sons of Levi



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1-8 Recitative: Behold, a virgin shall conceive (contr'alto)

Contr'alto


1-9 Air: O thou that fellest good tidings (contralto)

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1-10 Chorus: O thou that fellest good tidings






1-11 Recitative: For, behold! darkness shall cover (bass)



1-12 Air: The people that walked in darkness (bass)


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1-13 Chorus: For unto us a child is born

















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light, his burthen, his bur - then is light,









## PART II

2-1 Chorus: Behold the Lamb of God!


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2-2 Air: He was despised and rejected (alto)






2-3 Chorus: Surely He hath borne our griefs
















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2-5 Recitative: All they that see Him (tenor)

Violino I II

Violino III

Viola

Tenore





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2-6 Chorus: He trusted in God that He would


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2-7 Recitative: Thy rebuke hath broken (tenor)



comfort him. He looked for some to have pi-ty on him, but there was no man; neither found he any to comfort him.


2-8 Air: Behold, and see if there be (tenor)


2-9 Recitative: He was cut off out of the land (tenor)


2-10 Air: But thou didst not leave (tenor)



2-11 Chorus: Lift up your heads, O ye gates




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2-12 Recitative: Unto which of the angels (tenor)


2-13 Chorus: Let all the angels of God worship





2-14 Air: Thou art gone up on high (alto)



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Larghetto
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2-17 Chorus: Their sound is gone out into all lands


Oboe I

Oboe II

Canto

Alto

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Basso

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## MESSIAH





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2-18 Air: Why do the nations so furiously (bass)
Violino I

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2-19 Chorus: Let us break their bonds

















2-20 Recitative: He that dwelleth in heaven (tenor)


2-21 Air: Thou shalt break them with a rod (tenor)





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2-22 Chorus: Hallelujah





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3-1 Air: I know that my Redeemer liveth (soprano)




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3-3 Recitative: Behold, I tell you a mistery (bass)


3-4 Air: The trumpet shall sound (bass)




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## 3-5 Recitative: Then shall be brought to pass (contr'alto)

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3-6 Duet: $O$ death! where is thy string? (contr'alto and tenor)







3-7 Chorus: But thanks be to God



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giv-eth us the vic - tory, through our Lord


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3-8 Air: If God be for us (soprano)
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3-9 Chorus: Worthy is the Lamb

Tromba I II

Violino II

Viola

CANTO

Alto

Tenors

BASSO

Bassi


















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