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Three Hymns for Special Occasions

Hymn for Baptism
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SATB and organ

Leslie Betteridge

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Mr. Betteridge has given much of his life to Church music. One of his earliest compositions, a Toccata for violin and piano, which he composed at the age of 18, was played at a Festival of British Music by Marie Hall, a world-famous violinist.

His first major appointment in Church music was organist and choirmaster at the well-known Church of St Barnabas, Oxford. During World War II he served in the army, finished as a Staff Major at the War Office, London. Recommencing his musical work, he succeeded Dr. George Oldroyd at St Michael and All Angels, Croydon.

In 1964, he was appointed to the Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity, Bermuda, where he took a leading part in the musical life of the island. In addition to his Cathedral work, he conducted the Bermuda Philharmonic Society chorus and orchestra. It was during this time Paraclete Press became interested in his work, and began publishing his compositions for choir and organ.

He is an Associate of Trinity College, London, and a Fellow of the Royal College of Organists.

For all members of the Community of Jesus.

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Hymn For Baptism

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Boldly

S
A

Voices

Organ

1. We praise you for this child, — Who
2. The moth-er too we praise, — Her

5

is so meek_ and mild_ — Like Je- sus Christ, in days of_ old, Who
ba- by she_ will raise_ — To in- flu- ence the world for_ good, That

9

came_ to_ save_ — This_ ba- by for the realms a- bove, We
all_ man- kind_ — Will_ strive for peace and not for war, But

13

1.

Organ

gath- er_ here to_ share_ — our_ love. 2. The
for e- ter- nal_ rest_ — a - far.

Ped.

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15 2.



(- far.) 3. O Je - su, for this child, — So

Ped.

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pure and un - de - filed, — We trust that You, to him/ will grant A her


23



life — of — hope: — When — fi - nal - ly he/ she comes to rest With

27

rall. -----



Organ

You for — ev - er will — be — blest.

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Hymn For Healing

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Harmony

S
A

Organ

T
B

1. God we praise You for all heal - ing Of man - kind, through
2. Praise all Doc - tors for their learn - ing, Like Saint Luke in

4

sci - ence and love; Ev - o - lu - tion is re - veal - ing All the won - ders
days gone by: All the peo - ples, who are yearn - ing For their know - ledge;

8

from a - bove We a - non are look - ing for - ward
we re - ly On the pow - ers that stu - dy gave them,

Unison

11

To, we hope, the fi - nal Truth, 'Glo - ry be to God on High'.
Like to Je - su's heal - ing skills, 'Glo - ry be to God on High'.

Ped.

v. 2 D.C.

(over)

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15 Unison

3. On the fu - ture re - ve - la - tion_ Of_ God's plan_ for_

18

us be - low Will de - pend_ on_ our_ con - ver - sion From all sins, and

22

this we know_ That if_ we_ would_ live in Hea - ven_

Descant
(Optional)

25

'Glo - ry be to_ God on High'.

Unison

We all_ e - vil must for - go_ 'Glo - ry_ be to_ God on High'.

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Hymn of Hope

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(Based on the 'Comfortable Words' from the
King James Prayer Book, Holy Communion.)

S
A

Organ

T
B

(Unison) 1. Hear the words that Christ our Sa- vior
(Harmony) 2. God sent down His Son, Lord Je- sus,

5

Spoke to_ all, of hope_ and love._ "Come to me_ and I_ will save you
To this_ world of sin_ and strife;_ Hop- ing that_ all wea- ry sin- ners

9

Organ

For the Heav'n-ly realms_ a - bove."
Would seek e - ver - last - ing_ life.

(over)

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(Harm.)
3. La - ter on we heard more wis - dom From Saint Paul, who tru - ly said _
(Unis.)
4. Then Saint John, the Lord's dis - ci - ple, To our God did ad - vo - cate _

17

That Christ Je - sus came_ to save us Through the cross on which_ He _____
That He should for - give_ all sin - ners Who would live with Him_ in _____

21

Organ

After v. 4

bled.
state. A - - men