

*** *The Nativity* ***
A Christmas Cantata
By Thomas Parks
Performance Notes

Instruments used are: Flute, French Horn in F, Cymbal, Two Timpani, Harp, Violin, Viola, Cello, Contrabass, & Piano.

Harp chord names are included for Guitar or Synthesizer use.

It's very hard to understand the lyrics in choral music...*unless you already know them*. Fortunately, I freely adapted the words that much of our faith is based on. I hope that the use of single instruments, played a step softer than the singers, will provide a *transparent accompaniment* to your clear diction.

I included a Recitative to be spoken before the songs.

The score was written in "Personal Composer." Pcomposer.com

Finally, I pray that your hearts are touched, *and your faith reinforced*, by singing this...Mine certainly was by writing it.

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