## CAROLS FOR STRINGS

(from the Occasional Oratorio)

George Frederic Handel Arranged by Vernon F. Leidig

#### INSTRUMENTATION

Conductor Score	1
Violin I	8
Violin II	8
Violin III (Viola 🗞	3
Alternate Violin	3
Viola	75
Alternate Viola	9
Cello	5
Alternate Cello	3
String Bass	5
Piano Accompaniment	1

#### Adagio and March

This is another beautiful and easy-to-play arrangement from the masterful pen of Vernon Leidig. Students will enjoy the rich sonorities of the Adagio section and the rhythmic drive and style of the March. The work has straightforward rhythms and fingerings in the first position, with optional advanced fingerings provided. It is in D major, with a brief modulation to B minor that provides an opportunity to explore half position, Asharps, and more. This arrangement would be an excellent selection for a middle school/elementary string festival.





From the String Editor...

This arrangement/composition is designed to give a variety of performance and teaching options to groups of widely differing ability levels and instrumentation. Toward that end, alternate parts have been provided.

- All bowings and fingerings are in the score and parts.
- Standard fingerings are above the staff and alternate fingerings are below in parentheses. Alternate fingerings are usually for more advanced players.
- Hooked/linked bows are usually marked: vv or
- KEYS TO SYMBOLS: (Depending on the composition, some symbols may not be applicable)
  - x = extended hand position
  - = shift
  - 1-4 = standard fingerings (used as reminders or position indicators)
  - (1–4) = alternate fingerings (usually more advanced)
  - $(\pi)/(V)$  = staggered bow changes or long notes/slurs or lift/retake over a rest
    - , = lift/retake
  - ↑ ↓ = high/low finger placement

We hope these features will simplify and clarify the teaching/rehearsal process. Your suggestions are welcomed.

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