
Eighth Note Publications

He Shall Feed His Flock *from Messiah*

George Frederic Handel
Arranged by David Marlatt

THE WORK: George Frederic Handel (1685-1759) wrote his most famous oratorio *Messiah* in a little over three weeks. There is little doubt that this work is one of the most famous and often performed choral pieces in history. Handel conducted many performances in his day and there never seemed to have been a period when the work was not played. The text originates from the Old and New Testaments. The ingenuity of the librettist Charles Jennens is apparent in his selection and adaptation of the biblical text for the various arias and choruses.

He Shall Feed His Flock Like a Shepherd was originally a duet for alto and soprano. This arrangement simplifies this movement and makes use of the sonorous qualities of the horn.

He shall feed his flock like a shepherd: and he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young. (ISAIAH, 40:11)

THE TRANSCRIPTION: The euphonium has been selected to better pass off the continuo line with the tuba, but a trombone is an obvious alternative. The articulations are at the suggestion of the arranger and can be adapted to best suit the performers. The use of cup mutes for the trumpets makes for a contrasting colour against the horn.

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Brass Quintet

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G.F. Handel
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Larghetto e piano

Solo Horn

Trumpet 1(Bb)

Trumpet 2(Bb)

Euphonium

Tuba

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