

Sheep May Safely Graze

(from the Birthday Cantata, No. 208)

3–6 Octave Handbells and Optional 3 Octave Handchimes or C Instrument

Level III

3, 4, 5, or 6 octaves

Handbells used: 36, (48), (55), (57)

Handbell notation with treble and bass staves. The treble staff has a melodic line. The bass staff has a melodic line and an optional chordal accompaniment. The optional part is marked with a bracket and the word "optional".

optional 3 octave choirs omit notes in ().
4 octave choirs omit notes in [].

3 octaves

Optional handchimes (15) or C instrument

Optional handchime or C instrument notation on a single treble staff with a melodic line.

SCHAFE KÖNNEN SICHER WEIDEN
Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685–1750
Arranged by Martha Lynn Thompson

Andante pastorale (2 beats per measure)

Main musical notation for the piece, arranged in a grand staff with treble and bass staves. It includes dynamics like *p* and *sempre pp*, and performance instructions like "3" and "4".

* 3 octave choirs ring all notes.

4 octave choirs mallet lowest notes within the 4 octave range, keeping a constant quarter note beat and disregarding written note values and ties.

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30 31 32

mp *Sk* 3

33 34 35 36

mp

37 38 39

mp 3

63 64 65 66

Musical score for measures 63-66. The system consists of four staves: a single treble staff at the top, and a grand staff (treble and bass) below. Measure 63 shows a treble staff with a half note G4 and a bass staff with a half note G3. Measure 64 has a treble staff with a half note G4 and a bass staff with a half note G3. Measure 65 has a treble staff with a half note G4 and a bass staff with a half note G3. Measure 66 has a treble staff with a half note G4 and a bass staff with a half note G3. The grand staff contains complex chordal textures with many notes.

67 68 69

Musical score for measures 67-69. The system consists of four staves. Measure 67 has a treble staff with a half note G4 and a bass staff with a half note G3. Measure 68 has a treble staff with a half note G4 and a bass staff with a half note G3. Measure 69 has a treble staff with a half note G4 and a bass staff with a half note G3. The grand staff contains complex chordal textures. A wavy line with 'Sk' above it spans measures 68 and 69, with the text 'Shake top 2 notes.' above it.

70 71 72 73

Musical score for measures 70-73. The system consists of four staves. Measure 70 has a treble staff with a half note G4 and a bass staff with a half note G3. Measure 71 has a treble staff with a half note G4 and a bass staff with a half note G3. Measure 72 has a treble staff with a half note G4 and a bass staff with a half note G3. Measure 73 has a treble staff with a half note G4 and a bass staff with a half note G3. The grand staff contains complex chordal textures. A wavy line with 'Sk' above it spans measures 70 and 71, with the text 'Shake top 2 notes.' above it. Another wavy line with 'Sk' above it spans measures 72 and 73, with the text 'Shake top 3 notes.' above it.

110 111 112

mp *mp* *Sk*

p 7 7 3

113 114 115

mp

116 117 118

3 3

119 120 121

3 3 *rit. e dim.* 3 *pp* R