Seven Sacred Canons / Various - Trinkley / 3 Voices, *a cappella* (1 Canon for 8 voices) Optional: Mixed or Men or Women

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by William Boyce Thomas Roseingrave Samuel Arnold Charles King William Hayes For Mixed, Men's or Women's Voices Edited by Bruce Trinkley

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#### Seven Sacred Canons

1.	Glory Be to God on High	. (Canon for 3 Voices)	William Boyce pg. 3	
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3.	As Pants the Hart	(Canon for Soprano, Alto and Bass)	Samuel Arnold 5	
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5.	Alleluja	(Canon for 8 Voices)	William Hayes 8	
6.	Miserere Nobis	(Canon for Soprano, Alto and Bass)	William Hayes 10	
7.	Allelujah	(Canon for 3 Voices)	William Boyce 12	

Seven Sacred Canons are drawn from A Collection of Catches, Canons and Glees, commonly known as The Warren Collection. Thomas Warren (c. 1730-1754), the secretary of the Noblemen and Gentlemen's Catch Club of London, selected the best of the catches and glees written each year and published these in annual volumes for 1762 to 1793. The songs in this 32 volume collection were sung by members of the Catch Club at their regular meetings.

Although originally intended to be sung by men's voices in a secular settings, the pieces are also appropriate for use in church, sung by either the congregation or the choir. The editor has added dynamic and tempo indications and substituted modern clefs for those employed in the 18th Century. Several of the canons have been transposed to suit the average vocal range.

### **Performance Notes**

The canons are of two types. The first type (Numbers 1, 2, 4, 5, and 7) are called "catches" in The Warren Collection and are to be sung as a traditional round where each voice sings the entire piece. In the second type, called "canons" in the collection, each parts stays on its own line, the second and third parts being canons at the fourth and octave below the first part. All parts begin together.

These canons have been chosen for their maximum usefulness and flexibility. Although the series comprises a musical whole which can be sung through entirely, any number of these canons can be extracted and reordered to suit the liturgical season or the available time for singing within a service.

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Each performer should not progress beyond the double bar until the signal is given to conclude. At this point the performer should proceed through the double bar to the final note.

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