

Hail, O Blessed Light

for SATB Chorus and Handbells

William Austin (1587–1634)

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4 octaves
Handbells needed: 48

Joyous and buoyant
♩ = 75

T
All this night shrill chan-ti-cleer, Day's pro-claim-ing trum-pet-er,

B
All this night shrill chan-ti-cleer, Day's pro-claim-ing trum-pet-er,

Joyous and buoyant
♩ = 75

Hb.
mf / Skw LV R

T
5
Claps his wings and loud-ly cries, Mor-tals, mor-tals, wake and rise! See a won-der

B
Claps his wings and loud-ly cries, Mor-tals, mor-tals, wake and rise! See a won-der

Hb.
p

9

T *f*
Heav'n is un - der; From the earth is ris'n a Sun Shines all night, though day be done. ____

B *f*
Heav'n is un - der; From the earth is ris'n a Sun Shines all night, though day be done. ____

Hb. *mf* *f*

13

S *mf*
Wake, O earth, wake

A *mf*
Wake, O earth, ____ wake ev - 'ry

T *mf*
Wake, O earth, wake

B *mf*
Wake, O earth, ____ wake ev - 'ry

Hb. *mp*
LV LV R
R LV R

17

S
ev - 'ry thing! Wake and hear the joy I ___ bring; ___ Wake and joy; for

A
thing! Wake and hear the joy I ___ bring; Wake and joy; ___ for all this

T
ev - 'ry thing! Wake and hear the joy I ___ bring; ___ Wake and joy; for

B
thing! Wake and hear the joy I ___ bring; Wake and joy; ___ for all this

Hb.

20

S
all this night Heav'n and ev - 'ry twin - kling _ light, _____

A
night Heav'n and ev - 'ry twin - kling _ light, All a - maz - ing,

T
all this night Heav'n and ev - 'ry twin - kling _ light, _____

B
night Heav'n and ev - 'ry twin - kling _ light, All a - maz - ing,

Hb.

* This short passage need not be perfect to get the "twinkling" effect.

23

S *p* Still stand gaz - ing, An - gels, pow'rs, and all that be, *f* Wake and joy this Sun to see. _____

A *f* Still stand gaz - ing, An - gels, pow'rs, and all that be, Wake and joy this Sun to see. _____

T *p* Still stand gaz - ing, An - gels, pow'rs, and all that be, *f* Wake and joy this Sun to see. _____

B *f* Still stand gaz - ing, An - gels, pow'rs, and all that be, Wake and joy this Sun to see. _____

Hb. *mf* *f* R

27

S _____

A _____

T _____

B _____

Hb. LV LV R

31

S *f*
Hail, O Sun, — O bless-ed Light, Sent in-to the world by _ night! Let thy rays — and heav'n-ly

A *f*
Hail, O Sun, — O bless-ed Light, Sent in-to the world by night! Let thy rays — and heav'n-ly

T *f*
Hail, O Sun, — O bless-ed Light, Sent in-to the world by _ night! Let thy rays — and heav'n-ly

B *f*
Hail, O Sun, — O bless-ed Light, Sent in-to the world by night! Let thy rays — and heav'n-ly

Hb. *mf*

35

S *p*
pow'rs Shine in these dark souls of _ ours; For most du - ly Thou art tru - ly

A *p*
pow'rs Shine in these dark souls of _ ours; For most du - ly Thou art tru - ly

T *p*
pow'rs Shine in these dark souls of _ ours; For most du - ly Thou art tru - ly

B *p*
pow'rs Shine in these dark souls of _ ours; For most du - ly Thou art tru - ly

Hb.

39

S *f* God and man, we do con - fess; Hail, O Sun of Right-eous - ness! *ff* Hail, O Sun of

A *f* God and man, we do con - fess; Hail, O Sun of Right-eous - ness! *ff* Hail, O Sun of

T *f* God and man, we do con - fess; Hail, O Sun of Right-eous - ness! *ff* Hail, O Sun of

B *f* God and man, we do con - fess; Hail, O Sun of Right-eous - ness! *ff* Hail, O Sun of

Hb. *f*

43

S Right - eous - ness! O bless - ed Light! (A#-Bb)

A Right - eous - ness! O bless - ed Light! (A#-Bb)

T Right - eous - ness! O bless - ed Light! (A#-Bb)

B Right - eous - ness! O bless - ed Light! (A#-Bb)

Hb. *ff* LV R Sk R