

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

Choral of the cantata Herz und Mund und Tat und Leben, BWV 147.

J. S. Bach (1685 – 1750)

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Piano

p cantabile legato

$\text{♩} = 68$

The piano introduction is in G major, 3/4 time, with a tempo of quarter note = 68. It features a continuous pattern of eighth-note triplets in the right hand and a steady bass line in the left hand. The texture is cantabile and legato.

S. & A.

T. & B.

mf

Je - sus blei - bet mei - ne Freu - de,
 Je - su, Joy of man's de - si - ring,

The vocal entry for Soprano and Alto begins at measure 6. The melody is simple and homophonic, with lyrics in German and English. The dynamic is mezzo-forte (mf).

T. & B.

Je - sus blei - bet mei - ne Freu - de,
 Je - su, Joy of man's de - si - ring,

Pno

The piano accompaniment continues with the triplet pattern from the introduction, providing harmonic support for the vocalists. The texture remains light and flowing.

S. & A.

T. & B.

mei - nes Her - zens Trost und Saft.
 Ho - - - ly wis - - - dom, love most bright.

The vocal entry for Tenor and Bass begins at measure 13. The melody continues the simple, homophonic style. The lyrics are in German and English.

Pno

The piano accompaniment continues with the triplet pattern, maintaining the cantabile and legato texture throughout the piece.

Pno

The piano accompaniment concludes with the triplet pattern, ending on a final chord. The overall mood is peaceful and joyful.

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S. & A.

T. & B.

Pno

Je - sus weh - ret al - lem Lei - de,
 Drawn by Thee, our souls as pi - ring,

Je - sus weh - ret al - lem Lei - de,
 Drawn by Thee, our souls as - pi - ring,

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S. & A.

T. & B.

Pno

Er ist mei - - - nes Le - bens Kraft.
 Soar to un - - - cre - a - ted light.

Er ist mei - - - nes Le - bens Kraft.
 Soar to un - - - cre - a - ted light.

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Pno

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S. & A.

T. & B.

Pno

mei - ner Au - - gen Lust und Son - ne,
 Word of God, our flesh that fash - ion'd,

mei - ner Au - - gen Lust und Son - ne,
 Word of God, our flesh that fash - ion'd,

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S. & A.

T. & B.

Pno

mei - ner See - le Schatz und
 With - er the fire of life im -

mei - ner See - le Schatz und
 With - er the fire of life im -

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S. & A.

T. & B.

Pno

Won - ne; da - rum lass ich
 pas - sion'd. Stri - ving still to

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 pas - sion'd. Stri - ving still to

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S. & A.
T. & B.

Je - - - sum nicht, aus dem Her - - - zen
thruh un - - - known, Soa - - - ring, dy - - - ing

Pno

60

S. & A.
T. & B.

und Ge - - - sicht. und Ge - - - sicht.
round Thy throne. round Thy throne.

Pno

65

Pno

70

Pno

rit.