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Fair Waved the Golden Corn

for 2-part choir and organ

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Duration: 2'30"

For the choir of St Thomas, Winchelsea for Harvest 2024

Music by Matt Geer

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Matt Geer (b. 1996) is a composer, conductor-organist and artistic manager. His research interests lie in the philosophy of art aesthetics and experimental music composition. He studied classical composition at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama and has recently finished his PhD in composition and its philosophical implications at Queen's University Belfast. His music has been performed at world-class venues like the Barbican Centre, various cathedrals (St Paul's, Southwark, Belfast, Brussels, Rochester) the Museum of London, the Grimeborn Opera Festival, the Royal College of Music and Harvard University. Currently, Matt is Executive Producer of the Southern Cathedrals Festival (SCF), based at Winchester, Salisbury and Chichester Cathedrals. Prior to this, he worked for the Ulster Orchestra in music outreach across Northern Ireland. Outside music, he is interested in a broader study of philosophy and is an Anglican Tertiary in the Third Order of the Society of St Francis (TSSF).

Text by John Hampden Gurney (1802-1862)

Fair waved the golden corn

*Fair waved the golden corn
in Canaan's pleasant land,
when full of joy, some shining morn,
went forth the reaper-band.*

*To God so good and great
their cheerful thanks they pour;
then carry to his temple-gate
the choicest of their store.*

*Like Israel, Lord, we give
our earliest fruits to thee,
and pray that, long as we shall live,
we may thy children be.*

*In wisdom let us grow,
as years and strength are given,
that we may serve thy church below,
and join thy saints in heaven.*

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Andante moderato ♩ = 96

f

Upper Voices

Fair waved the gol - den corn in

Lower Voices

Fair waved the gol - den corn in

Organ

f


Upper.

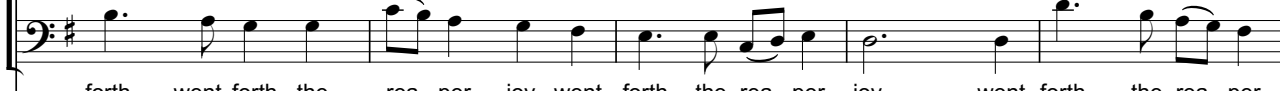
Ca - naan's plea - sant land, when full of joy some shin - ning

Lower.

Ca - naan's plea - sant land, when full of joy, some shin - ning morn, went

Org.

Upper. 
morn, went forth the rea - per band, went forth the rea - per joy, went forth the rea - per

Lower. 
forth, went forth the rea - per joy, went forth the rea - per joy, went forth the rea - per

Org. 

Upper. 
joy! To God so good and


Lower. 
joy! To God so good and

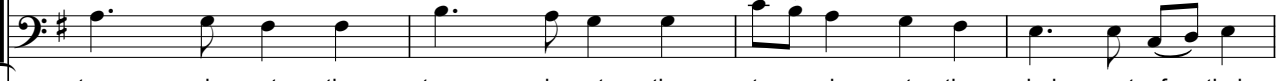
Org. 
[solo trumpets]

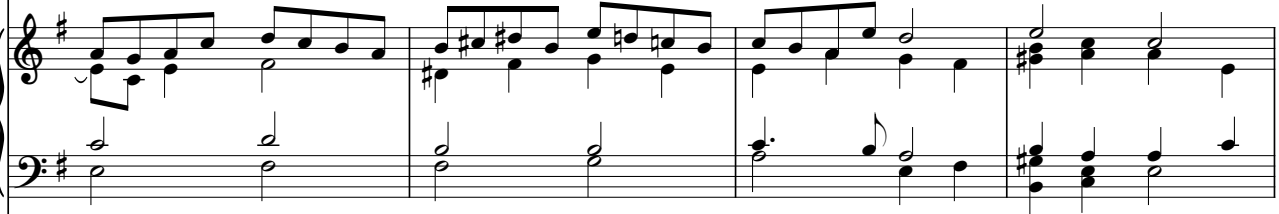
Upper. 
great their cheer - ful thanks they pour; then car - ry


Lower. 
great, their cheer - ful thanks they pour; then car - ry to his


Org. 

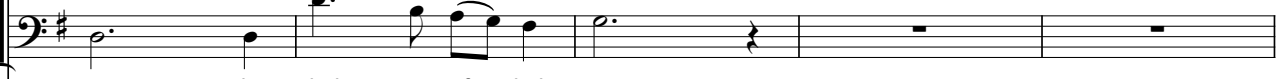
Upper.  to his tem - ple - gate the choi - cest of their store, the choi - cest of__ their

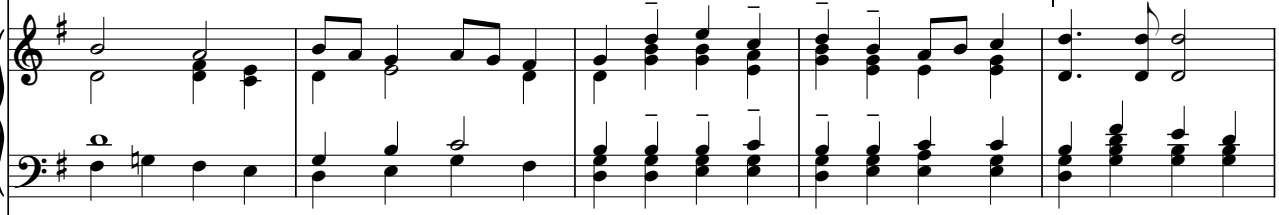
Lower.  tem - ple - gate the tem - ple gate, the tem - ple gate, the choi - cest of__ their


Org. 



Upper.  store, the choi - cest of__ their store.

Lower.  store, the choi - cest of__ their store.

Org.  [solo trumpets]



Upper.  Like Is - rael, Lord, we give, our ear - liest fruits to thee, and

Lower.  Like Is - rael, Lord, we give, our ear - liest fruits to thee, and

Org.  *mp*



Upper. *pray that, long as we shall live, we may be chil - dren be. we may be chil - dren be.*

Lower. *pray that, long as we shall live, we may be chil - dren be. we may be chil - dren be.*

Org.

Upper. *f*

Lower. *f*

Org. *(mf)*

f

Upper. *wis - dom let_ us grow, as years and strength are gi - ven,*

Lower. *wis - dom let_ us grow, as years and strength are gi - ven, that*

Org. *f*

Upper. that we may serve, that we may serve, that we may

Lower. we may serve, that we may serve, that we may serve the

Org.

Upper. serve be - low and join thy saints in hea - ven, and join thy saints in

Lower. church be - low, and join thy saints in hea - ven, and join thy saints in

Org.

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Upper. hea - - ven. and join thy saints in hea - ven.

Lower. hea - - ven. and join thy saints in hea - ven.

Org.

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