

# WENCESLAS CANON

for 3-part mixed voices (with optional baritone)  
and handbells or Orff instruments, hand drum, and finger cymbals  
with optional SoundTrax CD\*

Words from the  
Traditional English Carol

Old English Melody  
Arranged by **ANDY BECK**

With a steady pulse ( $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 76$ )

Handbells or ORFF I

Handbells or ORFF II

FINGER CYMBALS

HAND DRUM

5

*mp*

*mp*

\* Also available for 2-part/S.S.A. (46435). SoundTrax CD available (46436).  
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PART I

PART II

PART III

13

*mp*

Good King Wen - ces - las looked out on the Feast of Ste - phen,  
"Hith - er, page, come stand by me, if thou know'st it, tell - ing

*mp*

17

when the snow lay round - a - bout, \_\_\_\_\_ deep and crisp and e - ven. \_\_\_\_\_  
 yon - der peas - ant, who is he? \_\_\_\_\_ Where and what his dwell - ing?" \_\_\_\_\_

21

Good King Wen - ces - las looked out  
 "Sire, he lives a good league hence,



25

on the Feast of Ste - phen, when the snow lay round - a - bout, \_\_\_\_\_  
 un - der - neath the moun - tain, right a - gainst the for - est fence, \_\_\_\_\_

*mp*

Good King Wen - ces - las looked out on the Feast of Ste - phen,  
 "Sire, he lives a good league hence, un - der - neath the moun - tain,

29

deep and crisp and e - ven. \_\_\_\_\_  
 by Saint Ag - nes' foun - tain." \_\_\_\_\_

when the snow lay round - a - bout, \_\_\_\_\_ deep and crisp and e - ven. \_\_\_\_\_  
 right a - gainst the for - est fence, \_\_\_\_\_ by Saint Ag - nes' foun - tain." \_\_\_\_\_

33

*mf*

Bright - ly shone the

*mf*

*mf*

*mf*

*mf*

36

moon that night, though the frost was cru - el,

39

when a poor man came in sight, gath - 'ring win - ter

42

1.

fu - el.

*decresc.*

*decresc.*

46 2.

fu - el.

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

50 PART I

*f*

Good King Wen - ces - las looked out on the Feast of

PART II

PART III

*f*

Good King Wen - ces -

*f*

*f*

*f*

53

Ste - phen, when the snow lay round - a - bout, \_\_\_\_\_

*f*

Good King Wen - ces - las looked out

las looked out on the Feast of Ste - phen,

56

deep and crisp and e ven. \_\_\_\_\_

on the Feast of Ste - phen, when the snow lay

when the snow lay round - a - bout, \_\_\_\_\_ deep and crisp and



round - a - bout, \_\_\_\_\_ deep and crisp and e - ven. \_\_\_\_\_  
 e - ven. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

*mp*

Good King Wen - ces - las \_\_\_\_\_

*mp*

Good King Wen - ces -

*decresc.*

*mp*

*decresc.*

*mp*

*decresc.*

*mp*

*decresc.*

*mp*

66

looked out.

Good King Wen - ces - las looked out.

las looked out.

*mf*

*mp*

*mf*

*mf*

*mf*

69

*f*

*f*

*f*

*f*

*f*

*f*

*mf*

*f*