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## **Bethlehem**

from the cantata, "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

Traditional

"Resignation," Southern Harmony, 1835 Arr. J. Edmund Hughes and Mary Ellen Loose



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## About the arrangers Choral

Dr. J. Edmund Hughes is on the Music Faculty of Chandler-Gilbert Community College (Arizona) where he teaches choir, music theory, and conducting. Since 1990, he has been the Director of Music at Velda Rose United Methodist Church in Mesa. Prior to his appointment at CGCC, he taught at Phoenix College, Tucson Unified School District and at California State University-Fresno. He has been honored by multiple student nominations in "Who's Who Among American Teachers." His choirs have had the distinction of performing at conventions sponsored by the American Choral Director's Association (ACDA), Music Educator's National Conference (MENC) and the Arizona Music Educator's Association (AMEA). He has also presented lectures and demonstrations on special interest sessions at ACDA and AMEA conventions. In 2002 he received the Arizona Outstanding Choral Educator Award by ACDA, and in 2005 he was honored as the Arizona Music Educator of the Year by AMEA.

Dr. Hughes is President and a past President of Arizona ACDA and has served AMEA in numerous capacities. He frequently adjudicates choral festivals and directs honor choirs throughout the Southwest. He received his Bachelors, Masters and Doctorate Degrees from the University of Arizona with doctoral studies at the University of Southern California. Ed lives in Mesa with his wife, Carole and three children (Brandon, Allison and Lauren) and his hobbies are weight lifting and jogging. In January (2008) he completed his fifth half-marathon.

## Piano

Mary Ellen Loose, Composer, Arranger and Professional Accompanist, studied Piano Performance at Brigham Young University and with Dr. Leo Podolsky. She has accompanied many choirs and soloists throughout the Southwest. A member of ASCAP, she has had numerous choral and piano works published and recorded. She is currently on the Music Faculties of Chandler-Gilbert Community College (Chandler, AZ) and Heritage Academy (Mesa, AZ). Mary Ellen resides in Mesa with her four children and one grandson. She enjoys running, weightlifting and working with young people.