

Son Of God, Savior

(Agnus Dei Round)

Stephen Dean

INTRO: (♩ = ca. 76)

Keyboard

Bm Em A D

① D Gmaj7 Cmaj7 F#7

(Christmas) Je - sus, Lamb of God, born to - night, one of us, }
 (Easter) Je - sus, Lamb of God, ris'n a - gain glo - rious - ly, }
 (Pentecost) Je - sus, Lamb of God, filled with pow'r, fire of love, }
 (General) Je - sus, Lamb of God, Lord of love, King of kings, }

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(Christmas) Son of God, born in Beth - le - hem, }
 (Other) Son of God, bear - ing all our sins, }

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(Christmas) Come and set us free, Sav - ior of the world, }
 (Other) You have set us free, Sav - ior of the world, }

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Je - sus, Lamb of God, Word made flesh, Bread of Life,

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Performance Notes

This is a simple canon for use at Mass, during the Breaking of the Bread or Communion. It started as a Christmas piece, which is why the Christmas verse is printed first. If sung by a choir or an assembly with the time to learn it, the group is divided into three parts who sing all the lines successively at four bars' distance. Groups 1 and 2 stop when they have sung through once, but join in with the last group when it reaches the last line, and the piece ends with a *rallentando*.

With ingenuity, a method of getting a less-tutored assembly to join in could be devised; for instance, using two choir groups (A and B) and assembly:

	Choir A	Assembly	Choir B
1st time	Line 1	—	—
2nd	2	1	1
3rd	3	1	1
4th	4	1	2
5th	—	—	3
6th	4	4	4


The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of five vocal staves and a piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Son of God, Savior, have mercy on us. (continue to 2) feed us now, give us life. (continue to 3) Je - sus, Lord al - might - y, be — our light. (continue to 4) Son of God, Sav - ior, grant — us peace. (repeat 4 with final group)". The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines in both hands. A large "PREVIEW" watermark is overlaid on the score.

Assembly Editions

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