

CJ Madsen

Come Unto Me

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CJ Madsen (b. 1993)

Christopher Jed “CJ” Madsen is a second-year doctoral student at the University of Arizona (UofA), with an emphasis in choral conducting. CJ recently received a Masters of Music degree from Brigham Young University (BYU), in Provo, Utah, with an emphasis in choral conducting. He also received a bachelor’s degree in piano performance from BYU.

As a composer and arranger, CJ has had his works performed by UofA Symphonic Choir and all five of BYU’s choral ensembles. CJ’s most recent large work, an opera entitled *He Shall Prepare a Way*, was staged in 2022 and released as an album and concert video. In addition, CJ is the composer of *One Fold, One Shepherd*, a sacred work for choir and orchestra written in 2019. CJ’s total output of compositions numbers over 500 pieces.

CJ grew up in West Jordan, Utah, and was a volunteer missionary for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints from 2012 to 2014 in North Carolina. Much of CJ’s inspiration as a conductor, composer, and pianist come from his belief in Christ, his passion for people, his thirst for powerful music, and his love for his wife (Samm) and four children (Hollis, Charlotte, Jonathan, and Taran). For more information, see CJMadsenMusic.com.

Note from the Arranger

This work was commissioned by my mother, Laura, who is the composer of the original melody of this work. The melody sets the beloved words of the Savior as found in Matthew 11:28-30. It is a reminder that we can bind and connect ourselves to the Savior and receive His strength. The piece should feel lilting, gentle, and full of assurance.

Score

for Laura Madsen
Come Unto Me

Jesus Christ
(Matthew 11:28-30)

for SAB Choir and Piano

Music by Laura Madsen
arr. CJ Madsen

Sacred ♩ = 44

SA *mf* Come un - to me,

Piano *mp* *con pedale*

7 SA and are hea - vy la - den, and I will give you rest.

B all ye that la - bor and I will give you rest.

Pno.

14 SA — Take my yoke u - pon you, and learn of me. For

B — Take my yoke u - pon you, and learn of me. For

Pno.

19

SA I am meek and low-ly in heart, and ye shall find rest un-to your souls. For my

B I am meek and low-ly in heart, and ye shall find rest un-to your souls. For my

Pno.

23

SA yoke is ea-sy, and my bur-den is light,

B yoke is ea-sy, and my bur-den is light,

Pno.

28

SA *mf* Come un - to me, all ye that la - bor and are

B

Pno. *mf*

32

SA
B

hea - vy la - den, and I will give — you rest. ——— Take my yoke u - pon ——— you, and

Pno.

37

SA
B

learn of me. ——— For I am meek and low - ly in heart, and

Pno.

rit.

41

SA
B

ye shall find rest un - to your souls. For my yoke is ea - sy, and my bur - den is light, My

Pno.

Slower $\text{♩} = 36$

rit.

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45

SA

yoke — is ea - sy, and my bur - den is light, *mp*

B

mp

So come un - to me.

Pno.

mp

49

SA

Come to me, *rit.*

me. — And I will give you rest.

B

Pno.

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Come un - to me, _____ and are
all ye that la - bor _____

10

hea - vy la - den, _____ and I will give you rest. _____ Take my yoke u - pon you, and
and I will give you rest. _____ Take my yoke u - pon you, and

17

learn of me. _____ For I am meek and low-ly in heart and ye shall find rest un-to your souls. For my
learn of me. _____ For I am meek and low-ly in heart and ye shall find rest un-to your souls. For my

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yoke is ea - sy, and my bur - den is light, _____ *mf* Come un - to me, _____ all
yoke is ea - sy, and my bur - den is light, _____

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ye that la - bor and are hea - vy la - den, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke u -

36

pon you, and learn of me. For I am meek and low - ly in heart, and

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ye shall find rest un-to your souls. For my yoke is ea-sy, and my bur-den is light My yoke is ea-sy, and my

46

mp Come to me, *rit.*

Alto bur-den is light, Come un-to me. And I will give you rest.

mp

So come un-to me.