Crown Him Lord of All

For Children's Choir, Adult Choir & Congregation with Piano and/or Organ and optional Trumpet

Words and Melody by Benjamin Russel Hanby adapted and arranged by Mitchell Covington

Full Score

Performance Notes:

Because the first line of this hymn refers to Jesus in the manger, it is often mistaken for a Christmas carol. However, the hymn takes us through all of Jesus' earthly ministry. This hymn can be shared on any Sunday, but it is particularly appropriate on days when Christian Education, Sunday School, Children's or Family Ministries are being highlighted.

The idea of having children sing the questions of this hymn and adults of the congregation sing the answers underscores the important role of adults in the church as teachers and faith-nurturers for the children who grow up in the church community.

This piece is intended to be accompanied by piano and organ together. However, either organ or piano could be used. The piano part is particularly supportive of childrens voices because it doubles the vocal melody throughout. During the verses, the organ part quietly "fills out" the harmonies. The pedals should not be used during the verses. During the refrains, the organ encourages congregational participation and the pedals should be used.

If performing this piece with organ only, the organist should play the "piano" part.

Benjamin R. Hanby (1833-1867) was the composer of over five dozen songs, including one of the most popular Christmas songs of the 20th century, "Up on a Rooftop." "Who Is He in Yonder Stall" was published in many popular hymnals in the later 19th and early 20th centuries.

Mitchell Covington November, 2012

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