

(With apologies to Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy - 1809-1847)

XMAS SWING

Drum Set

for Jazz Ensemble

The music of "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing!" is actually from the second chorus of a cantata written by Mendelssohn in 1840 to commemorate Johann Gutenberg's invention of printing. Dr. William Cummings put Wesley's words and Mendelssohn's music together.

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Holiday swing! $\text{♪} = \text{♪}^3$

The musical score is written for a drum set in 4/4 time. It begins with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a tempo/style marking of "Holiday swing!". The first measure includes a dynamic marking of *f* and a triplet notation $\text{♪} = \text{♪}^3$. The score is divided into systems of four staves each, with measure numbers 6, 12, 18, 24, 30, 36, 42, and 46 indicated at the start of each system. Dynamics include *f*, *mf*, *ff*, and *p*. A section for Bass begins at measure 36, marked with *f*. The piece concludes with a *ff* dynamic marking at the end of the final system.