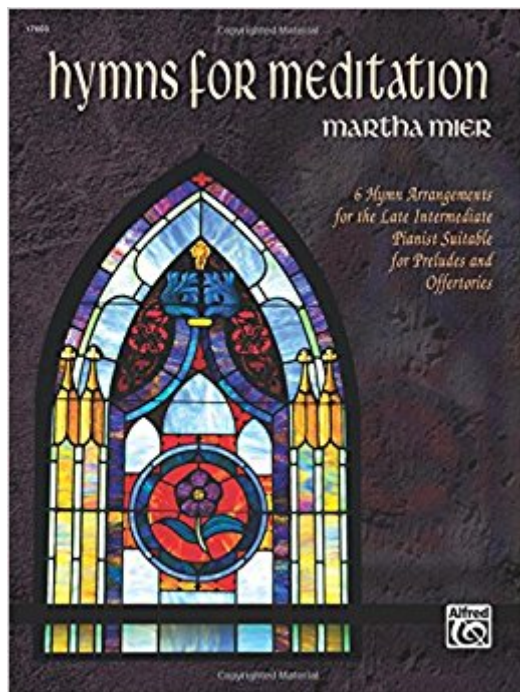


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# Hymns For Meditation



## Synopsis

Church pianists are often asked to provide music that is reflective and meditative in nature. The six hymns in this collection by Martha Mier were chosen because of their beauty and for the messages of comfort and hope that they convey. Titles: In the Garden \* It Is Well with My Soul \* Near to The Heart of God \* Sweet Hour of Prayer \* 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus \* What A Friend We Have In Jesus

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## Customer Reviews

...of old-time favorites that are soothing and worshipful. These pieces are complex enough to sound ethereal, yet easy enough to accomplish as an intermediate piano player. I hope to find more collections like this one to add to my repertoire.

Difficulty level is much higher than anticipated but the songs are beautiful!

I was disappointed I have other music of hers that I liked

Hymns For Meditation was a little bit too easy but the arrangements were still very pretty and I enjoyed playing them.

This is not destined to be my very favorite hymn-arrangement book, but it is immensely usable if you

are a church pianist who plays all the time. The hymns are traditional, well known, with lovely, flowing arrangements that are perhaps less upper-moderate in ability level than claimed. I studied piano for only a few years, organ for 3 semesters in college, and was not a music major, but I have played the organ and often the piano at churches since I was a teenager, more than 50 years. So I have developed more ability than my formal study would indicate. I say this so that the one considering this book will realize they need a certain level of expertise, but perhaps not as much study as "upper intermediate" would indicate. I received this book a few days ago and was able to play through it in its entirety. Sunday night I will use several pieces at church, perhaps even one as the offertory. They are playable, and they are flowing, my two top requirements. My very favorite arranger for church piano is Tom Fettke, whose piano arrangements are lots more creative, but also very playable. His are "velvet," as several of his book titles indicate. Martha Mier's hymns in this volume are not quite as velvety, but for the church musician who wants simple enjoyment, or needs lovely music without much practice involved, "Hymns for Meditation" might well serve.

Good to play but sometimes a bit dramatic for our smaller Meeting.

This book is really great for Intermediate Piano Players! I love to start my students out with these (when they begin playing offertories.) The selections are long enough for the kids to feel accomplished, but yet short enough for an offertory. Another great thing is that the songs are arranged in easy keys for the little people. YAY! So refreshing! Gives us some breathing room to work on dynamics instead of always drilling the scales and junk. Good Job to Martha Meir! You are quite popular with many intermediate pianists! These are creative, but the chording is simple, and they're so "flowy", that they sound simply elegant. There are a few octave reaches, so beware about that all you tiny-handed people :).

These are a challenge for me to play, but sound just like I was hoping - beautiful master arrangements. I have a Martha Mier christmas book that I also like, and these are just as nice.

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