

Divine Communion

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English: Arthur Gullidge, renowned composer and arranger of Salvation Army brass band music, was born on April 9, 1909 in Broken Hill to Salvationist parents, William and Emily Gullidge. After his father's death in a mining accident, his mother took him to Tasmania, where she was reinstated as an active Salvation Army officer. Arthur grew up in Salvation Army social homes during his childhood and was introduced to music as an adult by Allen Sharp, who took him under his wing and taught him the cornet.

Arthur began composing music for the Salvation Army brass band and for secular publications under the name W. Arthur Greendale. During World War II, he enlisted with several members of his band to form the core of the 2/22 Battalion Band. During his service in New Guinea, he wrote a piece of music titled "Divine Communion", which became one of the greatest pieces of music in the history of the Salvation Army brass bands.

Unfortunately, Arthur Gullidge was captured by Japanese forces and died when the Japanese transport ship *Montevideo Maru* was torpedoed by an American submarine off the coast of the Philippines on July 1, 1942. His music continues to live on and enrich the spiritual lives of thousands of people around the world.

Français: Arthur Gullidge, compositeur et arrangeur renommé de musique de fanfare de l'Armée du Salut, est né le 9 avril 1909 à Broken Hill de parents membres de l'Armée du Salut, William et Emily Gullidge. Après le décès de son père dans un accident minier, sa mère l'a emmené avec elle en Tasmanie, où elle a été réintégrée en tant qu'officière active de l'Armée du Salut. Arthur a grandi dans les foyers sociaux de l'Armée du Salut pendant son enfance et a été initié à la musique à l'âge adulte par Allen Sharp, qui l'a pris sous son aile et lui a enseigné le Cornet.

Arthur a commencé à composer de la musique pour la fanfare de l'Armée du Salut et pour des publications séculaires sous le nom de W. Arthur Greendale. Pendant la Seconde Guerre mondiale, il s'est enrôlé avec plusieurs membres de sa fanfare pour former le noyau de la fanfare du bataillon 2/22. Pendant son service en Nouvelle-Guinée, il a écrit une pièce de musique intitulée "Divine Communion", qui est devenue l'une des plus grandes pièces de musique de l'histoire des fanfares de l'Armée du Salut.

Malheureusement, Arthur Gullidge a été capturé par les forces japonaises et est décédé lorsque le navire de transport japonais *Montevideo Maru* a été torpillé par un sous-marin américain au large des côtes philippines le 1er juillet 1942. Sa musique continue de vivre et d'enrichir la vie spirituelle de milliers de personnes dans le monde entier.

Deutsch: Arthur Gullidge, ein bekannter Komponist und Arrangeur von Blasmusik der Heilsarmee, wurde am 9. April 1909 in Broken Hill als Sohn der Heilsarmee-Mitglieder William und Emily Gullidge geboren. Nachdem sein Vater bei einem Bergwerksunglück ums Leben gekommen war, nahm ihn seine Mutter mit nach Tasmanien, wo sie wieder als aktive Heilsarmeeoffizierin eingesetzt wurde. Arthur wuchs in Heilsarmee-Einrichtungen während seiner Kindheit auf und wurde als Erwachsener von Allen Sharp, der ihn unter seine Fittiche nahm und ihm das Kornettspiel beibrachte, mit Musik vertraut gemacht.

Arthur begann, Musik für die Brassband der Heilsarmee und für weltliche Veröffentlichungen unter dem Namen W. Arthur Greendale zu komponieren. Während des Zweiten Weltkriegs meldete er sich zusammen mit mehreren Mitgliedern seiner Band, um den Kern der 2/22. Bataillonskapelle zu bilden. Während seines Einsatzes in Neuguinea schrieb er ein Musikstück mit dem Titel "Göttliche Kommunion", das zu einem der größten Musikstücke in der Geschichte der Brassbands der Heilsarmee wurde.

Leider wurde Arthur Gullidge von japanischen Streitkräften gefangen genommen und starb, als das japanische Transportschiff *Montevideo Maru* am 1. Juli 1942 vor der Küste der Philippinen von einem amerikanischen U-Boot torpediert wurde. Seine Musik lebt weiter und bereichert das geistliche Leben von Tausenden von Menschen auf der ganzen Welt.



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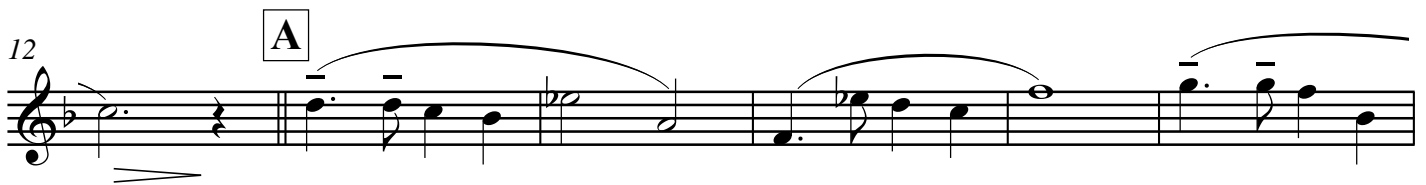
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Andante ♩ = 80

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Andante espressivo

♩ = 88 **C**





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27

mp

mp

Detailed description: This system contains measures 27 through 33. The top staff is a single melodic line in a treble clef, featuring a series of eighth and sixteenth notes with slurs. The bottom two staves are for piano accompaniment, with chords and moving lines in both treble and bass clefs. The dynamic marking *mp* (mezzo-piano) is present at the end of the system.

34

p

Detailed description: This system contains measures 34 through 40. The melodic line continues with similar rhythmic patterns. The piano accompaniment features more complex chordal textures. A dynamic marking of *p* (piano) is indicated at the end of the system.

Andante espressivo ♩ = 88



41

mp

mf

p

Detailed description: This system contains measures 41 through 46. Measure 41 begins with a key signature change to three flats (B-flat major/C minor). The tempo and dynamics are marked as *Andante espressivo* and *mp*. The piano part features a *mf* (mezzo-forte) dynamic in the first few measures, followed by a *p* (piano) dynamic. The melodic line has some rests in the first measure.

47

Detailed description: This system contains measures 47 through 53. The melodic line continues with slurs and ties. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines. The dynamic remains *p*.

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