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to the musical and spiritual lives of children in this church and the community.

Bwana Asifiwe

Praise the Lord

Traditional Swahili
Incorporating "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"
Joachim Neander, 1650-1680

Incorporating *LOBE DEN HERREN*
Ernewerten Gesangbuch, *Stralsund*, 1665
arr. Mark Burrows

Slowly (♩ = 60) Optional Solo

Soprano
Alto

Piano

mf

Bwa - na,___ bwa - na,___

5
bwa - na a - si - fi - we,___

Translation: Praise the Lord.
Pronunciation: BWA-na ah-see-FEE-way

Percussion suggestions (begin at m. 16):

Bass drum

Congas

Shaker

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9 *f* *div.*

S A Bwa - na,___ bwa - na,___ bwa - na a - si - fi - we.---

T B *f*

Bwa - na,___ bwa - na a - si - fi - we.---

13

Bwa - na a - si - fi - we.--- Praise the

Bwa - na a - si - fi - we.--- Praise the

16 **Energetically** (♩ = 100)
begin percussion

Lord.

Lord.

Energetically (♩ = 100)

20

24

Bwa - na,___ bwa - na,___ bwa-na a - si - fi - we.---

28

Bwa-na a - si - fi - we.--- Praise the___ Lord.---

32

Bwa - na, bwa - na, bwa - na a - si - fi - we.

Bwa - na, bwa - na, bwa - na a - si - fi - we.

36

bwa - na a - si - fi - we. Praise the Lord.

bwa - na a - si - fi - we. Praise the Lord.

40

dim.

44 *mf*

Praise the Lord_ in the heav- ens.

mf

Praise the Lord_ for the Lord is good.

48 *cresc.*

Praise the Lord_ Praise the Lord_ Praise God's_ name_

cresc.

Praise the Lord_ Praise the Lord_ Praise God's_ name_

cresc.

52 *f*

Bwa - na, bwa - na, bwa - na a - si - fi - we_

f

Bwa - na, bwa - na, bwa - na a - si - fi - we_

f

56

Bwa-na a - si - fi - we. Praise the Lord.

Bwa-na a - si - fi - we. Praise the Lord.

60

Bwa - na, bwa - na, bwa-na a - si - fi - we.

Bwa - na, bwa - na, bwa-na a - si - fi - we.

64

Bwa-na a - si - fi - we. Praise the Lord.

Bwa - na a - si - fi - we. Praise the Lord.