NOYE'S FLUDDE

Ripieno Recorders
The Storm

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The animals are in the Ark. For a moment, everything is quiet.
Then the Ark begins to move and it begins to rain (piano and slung mugs).
NOTE: only play the large-size notes.

Noye: It is good for to be still.

Descant Recorder 1

Steady minims $\frac{7}{4}$ = 69 - 72

Solo strings

Descant Recorder 2

Treble Recorder

5

68

(rain - piano and slung mugs)

9

70 (more rain - piano and slung mugs)

13

pp

Treble Solo

16

71

pp

19

Solo strings
express.

76 (wind)

express.

77 (flapping rigging)

Piano

78 (great waves)
Descant Recorders 1 & 2 - unison

breathe when you can!

(breathe when you can!)

(wind machine - panic of animals)

(wind machine)
The storm slowly subsides and all the creatures in the Ark go to sleep.

Voices and organ only

Solo cello, double bass and piano

Descant Recorders 1 & 2 - unison
The storm dies away until we just hear the last drops of rain falling (slung mugs and piano). Noye sends a Raven out of the Ark. He says that if the Raven does not come back, it will be a sign that there must be dry land somewhere.

The Raven flutters and dances to music played on the cello then flies off and disappears in the distance.

Then a Dove comes out of the Ark. The Dove too flutters and dances to music played on a recorder. The Dove disappears in the distance but returns with an olive branch in its beak and gives it to Noye. Noye says that this is a sign of peace and the earth must be dry now. Nevertheless, he will not leave the Ark until God commands him to do so.

God calls to Noye and tells him to leave the Ark with his wife and children and all the animals and birds.

The animals start to wake up as the bugles begin to play. They sing Alleluia!

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