

# ARCANGELO CORELLI

## CONCERTO GROSSO (CHRISTMAS CONCERTO) Op. 6 No. 8

### PREFACE

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The present edition of Corelli's "Christmas" Concerto is based on the edition by Roger of Antwerp, printed in 1714. At that time, 12 Concerti Grossi—namely 8 Church Concerti (Concerti da Chiesa) and 4 Chamber Concerti (Concerti da Camera) were published under opus number 6. The Christmas Concerto is the eighth of this series. Very few changes were made from the original, notably:

The Pastorale, in accordance with modern practice, has one sharp.

The tenor clef within the bass part has been used only when necessary.

A few expression marks have been added (in small type).

The Concerto is called "Christmas Concerto, because of the inscription in the score": "Concerto fatto per la notte di Natale."

Arcangelo Corelli was born in 1653 and died in 1713.

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