

THE BUMBLE BEEatitudes

*A Buzzy Introduction to
the Sermon on the Mount*

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FOREWORD

I cannot wait for you to enter Happy Hiveland and meet all of these fun and unique bees that live there! I hope you are ready to jump into a world that is based on the teachings of Jesus on the beatitudes, a powerful and rich, but also deceptively difficult passage to comprehend.

When I was researching this project, I learned a lot about bees and wasps, as well as quite a bit about the birds that like to eat bees and wasps. But the FIRST thing I learned was that bees communicate through a series of dance moves. WHAT? Could that be true? It will not be a surprise to you that I found this delightful and exciting. After that, the world came together, with a group of bees that base their lives around their BEEatitudes, with a "move and a groove for each beatitude."

There is something for every child in this musical: The Queen Bee who leads the dance moves and speaks wisely about the beatitudes, the sporty bees that play buzzketball, the Royal Flowers who perform as backup singers for the queen at Buzzapalooza and the visiting Beeanca that brings us into the story. There's also skateboarding wasps for your older kids, and delightfully self-absorbed birds, the Summer Tanagers, who are "Gen Beak" and have their own language that sounds suspiciously like Gen Z's modern slang of today. Above all, every bee gets to be reminded, or learn for the first time, about the truths that Jesus taught in the Sermon on the Mount. They learn about receiving God's mercy, and then showing it to others. They learn about hungering and thirsting for righteousness, as well as learning what it means to be poor in spirit. They learn about loving enemies, and also learning that it's okay to be sad when things hurt, and that God will walk with them until they feel better.

This musical is full of sweet truths that you and your choir will be singing for many years to come. (I know, I am singing them now and reminding myself daily of how to walk in the way of the BEEatitudes.) I am deeply grateful for the insightful teaching on the Beatitudes of my pastor Ryan Post, at Village Church in Burbank. His book and sermons on the beatitudes have informed so much of this musical, and I know you will be blessed by his insights.

I am thankful for all of you that have journeyed with me for so many years. Isn't God good? I'm in awe of all your ministries, and how God uses you all to touch the lives of His beloved children. Please share the great things that God is doing in your groups on my Facebook group: "Christy Semsen's Epic Kids Choir Forum." You can become a member and use it as a resource to communicate with other directors who have posted questions, photos, and videos of their productions! My email is csemSEN@gmail.com and I'd love to hear from you. I'm thrilled to be part of this journey with you!

—Christy Semsen

SCENE 1

(As drums begin, BEES start coming out, spinning around across the stage.)

Bee Attitudes

Words and Music by

CHRISTY SEMSEN

Arranged by Daniel Semsen

and Andrew Van Vlear

AV 1**1** Big Band (Swing!) ($\text{♩} = 194$) 

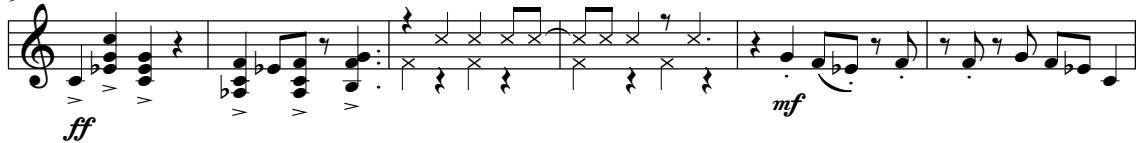
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2TOBEE: I'm off to the *buzzket-ball* court. Coming?

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ABBEE: Yep, *beeee* there soon!

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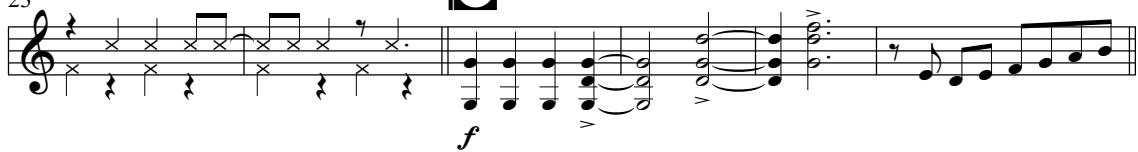

RUBEE: Are you going to *Buzzapalooza* today?

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PHOEBEE: You better *beeeelieve* it!

(The BEES fly off.)

23



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SOLO 1

29 *mf*

Ev - 'ry day's a new ad - ven - ture_ in our hap - py Hive - lands.

SOLO 2

There's a trea - sure we've dis - cov - ered_ as we groove and jive. And -

④

(The BEES fly back on to sing the chorus.)

SOLO 1 & 2

CHOIR

mf

you may see we think dif - f'rent - ly. It's be - cause of this one thing: We have

41

Bee at - ti - tudes,_ Bee at - ti - tudes._ Be -

45

cause of the Good News we have Bee at - ti - tudes._ We've

49

trained our buz - zy brains_ to see the way Christ aims._

⑤

Ev - 'ry day we choose Bee - at - ti - tudes!_

CHOIR 1

57 *f*

Buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz. Eight

⑥

great an-nounce-ments. Buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz.

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6

CHOIR 2

f

64

Buz - zle, buzz buzz-zle buzz-zle. Buz - zle.

69

7

Buz - zle, buzz buzz-zle buzz-zle. Buz - zle.

73

CHOIR 3

f

Buz-zy buzz-zy buzz. Buzz buzz-zy buzz-zy buzz.

77

8

Buz-zy buzz-zy buzz. Buzz Buzz buzz-zy buzz-zy buzz.

81

CHOIR 1

Buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz. Eight

CHOIR 2

Buz - zle, buzz buzz-zle buzz-zle. Buz - zle.

CHOIR 3

Buz-zy buzz-zy buzz. Buzz buzz-zy buzz-zy buzz.

84

9

great an-nounce-ments. Buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz

Buz - zle, buzz buzz-zle buzz-zle. Buz-zy buzz-zy buzz. Buzz

The Bumble BEEfatitudes - Script-Vocal

ALL

7

87

f

buzz. We have Bee at - ti - tudes,_

Buz - zle.

Buz - zy buzz.

91

Bee at - ti - tudes._ Be - cause of the Good News we have

95

Bee at - ti - tudes._ We've trained our buz - zy brains_ to

99

see the way_ Christ aims._ Ev'ry day we choose Bee-at-ti - tudes!

(10)

104

2

We're all a - buzz with bless-ings from a - bove.

110

(11)

We're all a - buzz with bless - ings from a - bove.

114

CHOIR 1 and 2

We're all a - buzz with bless - ings

CHOIR 3

Buz - zy buz - zy buzz. Buzz

The Bumble BEEatitudes - Script-Vocal

8

117

12

from a - bove. We're all a - buzz
buz - zy buz - zy buzz. Buz - zy buz - zy buzz.

120

ALL f

with bless - ings from a - bove. We've
Buzz Buz - zy buz - zy buzz.

123

trained our buz - zy brains_ to see the way_ Christ aims._

127

Ev - 'ry day we choose Bee at - ti - tudes!_

131

Ev - 'ry day we choose Bee at - ti - tudes!_

135

2

Ev - 'ry day we choose Bee at - ti - tudes!_

SCENE 2

(Lights come up on Happy Hiveland. BEEANCA, RUBEE and PHOEBEE are center stage.)

RUBEE: Beeanca, I'm so glad you made it! We are going to have a buzztacular time this week!

BEEANCA: I can't wait! Thanks for letting me visit!

(KIRBEE enters from stage right.)

RUBEE: Phoebee, this is my cousin Beeanca. She's visiting for Buzzapalooza!

PHOEBEE: Oh, you'll love it! Especially Queen Bee's Royal Flowers! They're beee-autiful! (She notices KIRBEE, walking past them.) Wanna fly over to Buzzapalooza with us, Kirbee?

KIRBEE: No thanks! I gotta be on wasp patrol in 10 minutes. We've lived in peace for 102 days, but gotta beeee ready.

RUBEE: Kirbee, this is my cousin Beeanca.

(KIRBEE nods his head in greeting.)

BEEANCA: (talking nervously) Hi! It's my first time away from home. My mom gave me a list of things to remember.

(BEEANCA puts up fingers as she says each one.)

Don't Talk to Wasps

AV 2

13 Brightly (♩ = 125)

BEEANCA

Words and Music by CHRISTY SEMSEN
Arranged by Daniel Semsen

1

mf

Re-mem-ber to eat five mil - li - grams of hon - ey,

mf

wash my stin - ger, don't talk to wasps!

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KIRBEE: Well, that shouldn't beee a problem here. This has been a wasp-free zone since 0Bee40. On that note, I'm off to the tree zone!

(KIRBEE exits)

(FLORA enters stage left upstage, carrying a garment bag with a costume inside.)

PHOEBEE: *(calling after KIRBEE)* Thank you for your service! *(turning BEEANCA)* He has a really important job. Lots of bees... *(she screams as she sees FLORA)* Aughhh! It's Flora, one of the Royal Flowers from Queen Bee's Court. I'd know her anywhere! Flora! Flora!

FLORA: *(continues quickly past, but waving)* Hello, everyone! See you on the Buzzway!

PHOEBEE: I'm such a super fan, can you sign my wing?

FLORA: *(she stops to sign)* Of course! Always fun to meet a fan.

RUBEE: *(to BEEANCA)* Phoebee is very serious about being a Royal Flowers fan. She has all the merch.

BEEANCA: There's merch?

PHOEBEE: Oh yes. And there's a whole routine, it's the best part. Let's buzz up to the front!

(They fly up near the "stage.")

BEEANCA: What do you mean... a routine?

PHOEBEE: You know how we bees communicate through dance moves? Well, there's a move, and a groove for each *Beeatitude*.

RUBEE: *(explaining more)* The *Beeatitudes* are sayings that Jesus taught on the Sermon on the Mount. And our whole hive is built around them!

BEEANCA: *(impressed)* Ooooh...

AV 13 14 *(Music begins for "Queen Bee Song")*

PHOEBEE: Ooh, ooh! I think it's about to start! *(gushing)* I just love Queen Bee! She is sooo buzznificent. And... I heard a rumor that she's almost one year old!

BEEANCA: WOW! She's so old!

PHOEBEE: Here come the Royal Flowers!

(ROYAL FLOWERS come out with flower hats and green feather boas.)

Song: Queen Bee Song

Queen Bee Song

Words and Music by
CHRISTY SEMSEN
and NATHANIEL SEMSEN
Arranged by Nathaniel Semsen

AV 3

14 Driving Swing ($\text{J} = 184$)

1

5

9

12

15

16

CHOIR

mf

It's Buzz-a - pa - loo - za! The cel - e - bra-tion

19

of the year! Buzz-a - pa - loo - za! All are

23

wel - come here at Buzz-a - pa - loo - za! Bees have

27

flown from far and near. Buzz-a - pa - loo - za!

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12
30

16

God's truth you'll see and hear!

ANNOUNCER BEE: Introducing, the one, the only — Queen Bee and the Royal Flowers!

(KIDS cheer.)

(QUEEN BEE processes out of the Hive like a diva (or is lowered from the ceiling).)

QUEEN BEE: Thank you and welcome to Buzzapalooza! We've built this happy hive on the truth that Jesus taught.

33 *A little faster (♩ = 196)*

38

43

17

48

QUEEN BEE *mf*

QUEEN & ROYAL FLOWERS

There's a move and a groove for each BEE-at - i - tude! We

51

QUEEN BEE

move, we groove. There's a move and a groove for each

54

QUEEN & ROYAL FLOWERS

QUEEN (spoken) and CHOIR *mf*

BEE - at - i - tude! We move, we groove There's a

57 *add ROYAL FLOWERS*

60 *QUEEN (spoken)
and CHOIR* **(19)**

63 *add ROYAL FLOWERS* *mf* *QUEEN BEE*

67 *CHOIR* *QUEEN BEE* **(20)**

71 *CHOIR* *CHOIR*

75 **(21)**

79

82 *add QUEEN* *CHOIR*

The Bumble BEEatitudes - Script-Vocal

14
85

move and a groove for each

BEE-at - i - tude! We

move,

we

add QUEEN

88

CHOIR

groove

There's a move and a groove for each

BEE-at - i - tude! We

add QUEEN

91

CHOIR

[22]

add QUEEN

move, we groove.

There's a move and a groove for each

BEE-at - i - tude! We

95

CHOIR

move, we groove.

The mer - ci - ful__ and pure__ in heart get

99

[23]

bless-ings five__ and six.__

And the peace-mak - ers and the

102

per - se - cu - - ted__

end off the mix.__ This is__ the__

QUEEN BEE

105

f

Bum-ble BEE - at - i-tudes,

the Bum-ble

BEE - at - i - tudes

108

[24]

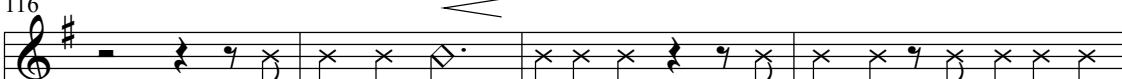
the Bum-ble BEE - at - i-tudes,

the Bum-ble BEE-at - i-tudes

QUEEN BEE
and CHOIR

112 **f** <

 It's the Bum-ble BEE - at - i-tudes, the Bum-ble BEE-at - i-tudes

116 <

 the Bum-ble BEE - at - i-tudes, the Bum-ble BEE-at - i-tudes

QUEEN BEE: As you know, we bees communicate through a series of dance moves. *(to audience)* Don't believe it? Look it up! Here we go!

120


124 [25]


127 CHOIR **ff**

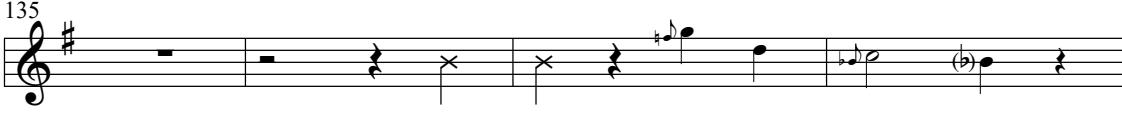
 Poor in spir - it!

(CHOIR does motions that illustrate "poor in spirit.")

131

 Those who mourn!

(CHOIR does motion that illustrate "those who mourn.")

135

 The meek!

(CHOIR continues to illustrate each beatitude through their movements.)

139 [26]

 Righ-teous!

The Bumble BEEatitudes - Script-Vocal

16
143

Mer-ci-ful! Pure in heart!

148

27

f

Peace-mak - ers! Per - se - cu - ted! There's a

153

move and a groove for each BEE-at - i - tude. We move, we

156

groove. There's a move and a groove for each BEE-at - i - tude. We

159

move, we groove. There's a move and a groove for each

162

BEE-at - i - tude. We move, we groove. There's a

165

28

move and a groove for each BEE-at - i - tude. We move!

168

ff

—

This is the Bum - ble BEE - at - i - tudes, the

171

—

Bum-ble BEE - at - i - tudes, the Bum-ble BEE -

174

177

180

183

at - i-tudes, the Bum-ble BEE - at - i-tudes. It's the Bum-ble BEE - at - i-tudes, the Bum-ble BEE - at - i-tudes, the Bum - ble BEE - at - i - tudes, the Bum - ble BEE - at - i - tudes!

SCENE 3

(Outside of Happy Hiveland, lights come up on a buzzketball court in the forest. TOBEE and ABBEE are tossing a ball around.)

ABBEE: **Is that all ya got, Boomer?**

TOBEE: *(flatly)* **Really! I'm only 12 hours older than you!**

ABBEE: **Exactly! You're 14 and a half days old, Grandpa.**

TOBEE: **Although, now that you mention it, my *bees knees* have been bothering me lately.**

(KIRBEE flies out and announces.)

KIRBEE: **Buzz Alert, we have incoming!**

TOBEE: **Uh oh! A wasp?**

KIRBEE: **No! It's the Summer Tanagers. You gotta watch out for those birds. They are *Gen Beak*, and they are something else. (whispers) Just as I thought! There they are!**

(The SUMMER TANAGERS fly on. They are super image-obsessed and ridiculous. Over the top.)

SUMMER 1 **Hey, Summer, your beak looks great today.**

AV 14 [29] (Music begins for "The Summer Tanagers")

SUMMER 2: **Do you think so, Summer? My feathers aren't too flat?**

SUMMER 3: **No, Summer. Your drip is iconic.**

Song: The Summer Tanagers

The Summer Tanagers

Words and Music by

CHRISTY SEMSEN

and NATHANIEL SEMSEN

Arranged by Nathaniel Semsen

AV 4

[29] Fast Swing ($\text{♩} = 190$) 

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Don't mess with us! We're

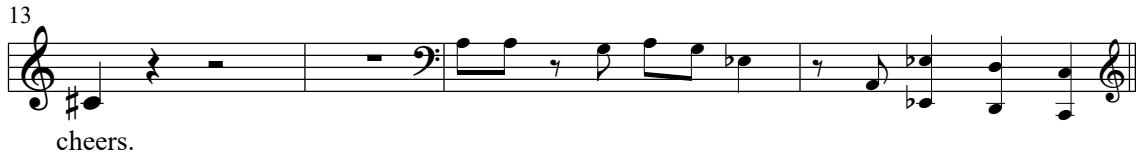
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red be-cause we're fierce. When we fly in ev - 'ry - bod - y

SUMMER 1, SUMMER 2, SUMMER 3: (*bored*) Yay.

SUMMER 1: Why aren't they clapping?



17 SUMMER 1

TANAGERS
and CHOIR

We slay in ev - 'ry way. We're the Sum-mer, the Sum-mer, the



Sum-mer Tan - a - gers. Step out of the way. We're the



Sum-mer, the Sum-mer, the Sum-mer Tan - a - gers. >

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SUMMER 1: Oh, girl, spill the tea, what did that bluebird say?

SUMMER 2: She flew right up to her and said... (pause, looks to SUMMER 3)

SUMMER 3: "Those wings are dippin'?"

(They gasp!)

SUMMER 2: No cap!

SUMMER 1: That's so mid.

SUMMER 3: Yep. She big mad. (sigh) I'm bored. I want a snack.

SUMMER 1: I think there's a wasp colony around the corner.

SUMMER 2: (sly) They might be able to provide us with a... snack.

SUMMER 1: I hope they're low key slow. I'm tired.

SUMMER 2: Oh, they'll be slow. It'll be cringe.

SUMMER 3: Facts.

(They leave)

TOBEE: (Wide eyed) What. Was. That?

ABBEE: (incredulous) And why are they all named Summer?

KIRBEE: (shrugging) I told you. *Gen Beak* has their own language. Not to mention, they're pretty dangerous. They've been known to snack on wasps, and sometimes bees, too.

TOBEE: (alarmed) But they said they're headed for the wasp colony!

ABBEE: We should warn the wasps!

KIRBEE: I'd advise against that, civilian. That's a risky journey.

ABBEE: But being merciful is one of our *Bumble Beeatitudes*. Blessed are the merciful.

TOBEE: That's true. Mercy reminds us of what God has already done for us. ...

AV 15 [31] (Music begins for "The Mercy of God")

TOBEE: ... And we can't help but extend that same kindness to others.

Song: The Mercy of God

The Mercy of God

Words and Music by

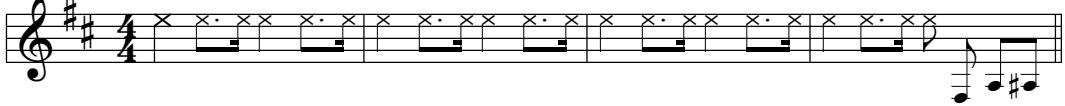
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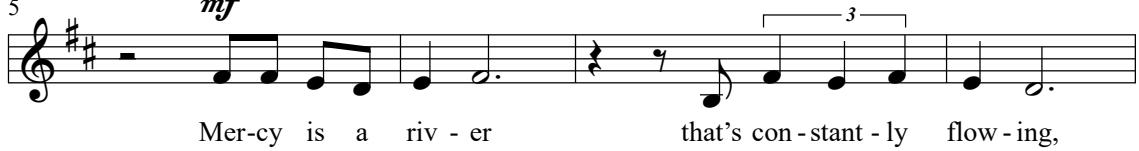
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AV 15

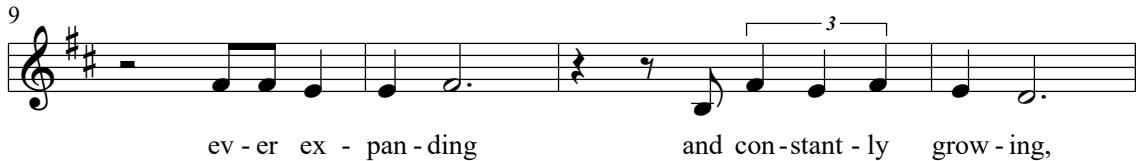
(31) Fast Shuffle ($\text{♩} = 150$) 

1 *mp* (Hi-hat)


SOLO 1

mf


5 Mer-cy is a riv - er that's con - stant - ly flow - ing,



9 ev - er ex - pan - ding and con - stant - ly grow - ing,

13 SOLO 2



13 wash-ing o - ver the dry and cal-loused heart

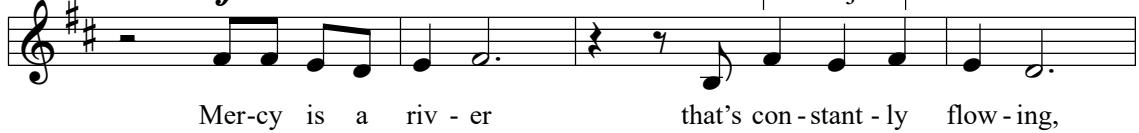


17 that's for - got - ten the Love that gave me a fresh new start.

(32)


21 Mer-cy is a riv - er that's con - stant - ly flow - ing,

CHOIR

mf


26 Mer-cy is a riv - er that's con - stant - ly flow - ing,

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30

ev - er - ex - pand - ing

and con-stant - ly grow - ing.

34

(33)

Now that I can see it, can't help but give it a - way.

38

mf

Jump on in; take the leap.

Let's go swim-min' in the

41

f

mer - cy of God.

Let the waves crash o - ver you and me.

44

(34) 3

Let's go swim - min'

in the mer-ky of God.

50

mf

Lord, help me to see

ev -'ry - one I meet through the

53

lens of Cal - va - ry.

Help me to see

ev -'ry -

56

(35)

chill

one I meet through the lens of Cal - va - ry.

Let's

60

walk in the way of mer - cy,

be dai - ly filled by the

The Bumble BEEatitudes - Script-Vocal

22
63

Spir-it of God. Let's walk in the way of for - give - ness, be

66

dai - ly filled by the Spir-it of God. Let's walk in the way of mer-

69

- cy, be dai - ly filled by the Spir-it of God. Let's

36

walk in the way of for - give - ness, be dai - ly filled by the

75

f

Spir - it of God. Jump on in;____ take the leap.____

78

Let's go swim-min' in the mer-cy of God. Let the waves crash o - ver

81

37

you and me.____ Let's go swim - min' in the mer-cy of God,

85

the mer-cy of God, the mer-cy of God,

89

the mer-cy of God, the mer-cy of God!

SCENE 4

(Back at Happy Hiveland, the Buzzapalooza festival is continuing.)

PHOEBEE: I love you, Queen Bee! I love you, Royal Flowers! What a show!

ABBEE: (entering with KIRBEE and TOBEE) Hey, you bees!

RUBEE: Hey, Abbee! Come to move and groove with us?

ABBEE: We'd love to, but right now we have a *stinger* of a problem.

KIRBEE: We just saw the Summer Tanagers. They're back, and they're ready to snack!

TOBEE: And they're headed straight for Waspland!

RUBEE: I just had a huge *buzzthrough*! Queen Bee, can we go warn the wasps?

BEEANCA: This is awkward to have to point out, but... um...

Don't Talk to Wasps

AV 16

38

Brightly (♩ = 125) BEEANCA

Words and Music by CHRISTY SEMSEN
Arranged by Daniel Semsen

1

mf

Re-mem-ber to eat five mil - li - grams of hon - ey,

4

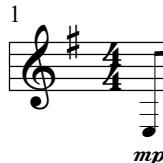
wash my stin - ger, don't talk to wasps!

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QUEEN BEE: Seems we might have an excellent opportunity to put some of our *Beeatitudes* into practice. ...

AV 17 39 (Music begins for "Love God")

QUEEN BEE: ... Some bees think that hungering and thirsting for righteousness means just being good, but in the original Greek, the word "righteousness" means right relationship with God AND our neighbors.

Love God**AV17****[39]** With deep yearning ($\text{♩} = 120$)Words and Music by
CHRISTY SEMSEN
Arranged by Daniel Semsen**[40]***SOLO 1*

I've been try - ing to live a life that's good;



do what's right, and do the things I should.

[41]

I've been sear - chin' for a way to grow,



for a plan_to know which way to go. But now I think I

both SOLOS

know. How do you hun-ger, how do you thirst for



righ - teous-ness; is the ques - tion first? The an - swer lies in a

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The Bumble BEEatitudes - Script-Vocal

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34

com - bi - na - tion that will blow your minds and change the na - tion.____

37

— We wa - nna love God with all of our hearts, our

40

high-est goal, the place to start. But the next step goes

43

f (Shout!)

hand in hand: to love our neigh - bors at His com - mand. E!

46

E! E! E! E - ven our en - e - mies! E!

50

E! E! E! E - ven our en - e - mies!____

QUEEN BEE: *(urgently)* Listen, Bees! If we ignore the cries of the broken and oppressed, we will be out of touch with the heart of Christ!

54

QUEEN BEE

f

Love the Lord your God with

59

CHOIR

f

all your heart and all your soul and all your mind, the first and

61

QUEEN BEE

great - est com - mand - ment. And love your neigh - bor as your - self,

SCENE 5

(Set has changed to Wasp Land. The BEES stand in spot off on the side, while the WASPS are standing around with skateboards; some are doing tricks in place—some may actually be skating.)

TOBEE: *(whispering)* There's the wasp colony.

BEEANCA: I'm scared of wasps. I don't think I can do this.

ABBEE: One of our *Beeatitudes* is that we are blessed when we are poor in spirit. That means we know we can't do it on our own.

TOBEE: We need to empty ourselves to be filled up with Jesus. Give Him your fear, and He will fill you up!

ABBEE: *(with compassion)* Look at them. They're not prepared for what's coming at all!

RUBEE: Bees, I'm going in. *(she walks up to one of them)* Excuse me, Wasps? My name is Rubee, and while I certainly don't want to impose on your turf, we wanted to let you know that there's been an unexpected, and actually pretty dangerous turn of events that...

(WILDER WASP turns and interrupts.)

WILDER WASP: Have you seen me shred my new trick? I'm really stoked about this move.

RUBEE: Uh. No. I'm sorry, I haven't.

WINONA WASP: Yeah, He carves out a gnarly darkslide.

ABBEE: *(walking up to help)* Well, that's just very nice, except we have to...

WILDER WASP: If you're here to see the Wasp Jam, take a seat over there. Winona's a ripper. She can land a kickflip over the gap!

KIRBEE: *(trying again with authority)* Mr. Wasp. I am Admiral Kirbee. We have very concerning news. The Summer Tanagers are on their way.

WILDER WASP: That's rad!

TOBEE: No, no. We've come to bring assistance.

(WASPIES skate away.)

ABBEE: This isn't working.

KIRBEE: Bees, I have a plan. As you know, one of our *Beeatitudes* is being meek.

BEEANCA: Meek? How does that help?

AV 18 [48] *(Music begins for "The Wasp Way")*

TOBEE: We know that being "meek" is a strength. It's "strength harnessed under control."

KIRBEE: (calling out) Beee ready to form a line of defense when the Summer Tanagers arrive.

The Wasp Way

Words and Music by

NATHANIEL SEMSEN and CHRISTY SEMSEN

Arranged by Nathaniel Semsen

AV18

(48) Rap! (♩ = 131)

1

5

WINONA WASP

9 **mf** WILDER WASP

All that real - ly mat - ters is fun in the sun. Don't be

11 WASP 1

mess-in' with my vibe. I ain't hurt-in' no one. The rea-son for my life is to

14 **(49)**

get re - spect. No, I won't give up on that goal. I have

WINONA and WILDER

16 **f**

no re - grets. It's the Wasp Way, we like to play. The

WASPS

f

It's the Wasp Way, we like to play. The

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19

WASPS

Wasp Way, just skate all day. It's the Wasp Way, we

CHOIR

Wasp Way, just skate all day. The Wasp Way, just

(50)

like to play. The Wasp Way, just

we like to play. The Wasp Way,

WINONA WASP (Opt. WASP 2)

skate all day. I'm dream-in' of the day I'll get my

just skate all day.

26

mon - ey and fame. Does-n't mat - ter what it's for, as long as peo - ple

28

KNOW. MY. NAME. The wind is in my hair; my

(51)

feet are on the move. Bet-ter not get in my way, I swear, I got noth -

32

WASPS

in' to lose! It's the Wasp Way, we like to play. The

CHOIR

It's the Wasp Way, we like to play. The

The Bumble BEEatitudes - Script-Vocal

30
35

Wasp Way, just skate all day. It's the Wasp Way, we
Wasp Way, just skate all day. The Wasp Way, just like to play. The Wasp Way, just skate all day.
we like to play. The Wasp Way, just skate all day.

BEEANCA: **Oh, no! The birds are here!**

All SUMMERS: **It's lunchtime!**

41
45 SUMMER Hey, ev - 'ry - bod - y, TANAGERS the Tan - a - gers are back. SUMMER We're

(WASPS are completely oblivious. Swaying in a line, not noticing the birds.)

KIRBEE: **Quick, get in between the birds and the wasps!**

SUMMER 1: **How cute, it's little bees!**

RUBEE: **Don't worry! We're here to help!**

47 TANAGERS low - key hun - gry and we're read - y to snack. 2 2
53 CHOIR Meek - ness is - n't weak - ness, it is pow - er un - der con -
55 trol! Just be - tween us, it's our meek - ness that makes us strong!

57

Meek-ness is - n't weak-ness, it is pow - er un-der con -

59

trol! Just be-tween us, it's our meek-ness that makes us strong!

61

Don't mis - un - der - stand, we can tell you first - hand. Just be -

63

cause we are meek, does - n't mean we are weak!

KIRBEE: **Attention, Bee Brigade! Defend. Our. Enemies!**

(They take out their stingers, forming a line in front of the still oblivious WASPS and do a stage combat routine. WASPS continue to sing, oblivious, while BEES do their routine. Then BEES join in singing.)

65

(54)

It's the Wasp Way, we like to play. The

68

WASPS

It's the Wasp Way, we like to play. The

CHOIR 1

It's the Wasp Way, we like to play. The

71

Wasp Way, just skate all day. It's the

Wasp Way, just skate all day. The

The Bumble BEEatitudes - Script-Vocal

32
73

7

A musical score in G clef, 2/4 time, with a key signature of two flats. The melody is in soprano range. The lyrics are: "Wasp Way, we like to play. The". The word "like" is highlighted with a thick black bar under the note. The lyrics are aligned with the notes on the staff.

A musical score for a single melodic line. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The time signature is common time (indicated by a 'C'). The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth note patterns. The lyrics are: "Wasp Way, we like to play. The". The first two measures are "Wasp Way," with a short rest. The third measure starts with a fermata over a note, followed by a eighth note, a sixteenth note, and a eighth note. The fourth measure starts with a sixteenth note, followed by a eighth note, a sixteenth note, and a eighth note. The fifth measure starts with a sixteenth note, followed by a eighth note, a sixteenth note, and a eighth note. The sixth measure starts with a sixteenth note, followed by a eighth note, a sixteenth note, and a eighth note. The lyrics "we like to play. The" are aligned with the notes in the sixth measure.

75 **55** *ff*

Wasp Way, just skate all day. It's the
CHOIR 1
ff

Wasp Way, just skate all day. The

77

Wasp Way, we like to play. The

Wasp Way, - we like to play. The

CHOIR 2

ff

Meek-ness is - n't weak-ness, it is pow - er un-der con -

79

Wasp Way, just skate all day. It's the

Wasp Way, just skate all. It's the

trol! Just be-tween us, it's our meek-ness that makes us strong!

81

Wasp Way, we like to play. The

Wasp Way, we like to play. The

Meek-ness is - n't weak-ness, it is pow - er un-der con -

83 **56**

Wasp Way, just skate all day.

Wasp Way, just skate all day.

trol! Just be-tween us, it's our meek-ness that makes us strong!

SUMMER 2: **I'm bored!**

SUMMER 3: **The vibe is off.**

SUMMER 1: **Bad vibe.**

(The SUMMER TANAGERS leave.)

85 *ALL*

Just be - tween us, just be - tween us,

87

just be - tween us, it's our meek - ness that makes us strong!

SCENE 6

BEEANCA: The birds are gone! We did it!

(The BEES cheer!)

KIRBEE: Good work, Bee Brigade!

RUBEE: Now, let's get back to Buzzapalooza!

BEEANCA: Just a minute. I want to ask them something.

(BEEANCA approaches WINONA WASP.)

BEEANCA: Excuse me, Miss Wasp. I'm Beeanca. I just wanted to say... *(she gets up her courage)* Let's *beee* friends. *(she smiles)*

WINONA WASP: *(distracted)* What?

BEEANCA: *(cheerful)* I'm not scared of you anymore.

WINONA WASP: *(dismissing)* No thanks, little bee. Not interested. *(she leaves)*

BEEANCA: *(calling after her)* But, you could come back to Buzzapalooza with me!

RUBEE: *(approaching BEEANCA gently)* Hey, Beeanca, let's go.

BEEANCA: Why'd she leave? We scared off the birds. We helped.

TOBEE: *(kindly, matter of fact)* We did.

BEEANCA: And they still don't want to *beee* friends?

RUBEE: Doesn't look like it, honeybee.

AV 19 **57** *(Music begins for "It's Okay")*

BEEANCA: *(pause)* I feel sad.

RUBEE: That's okay.

ABBEE: Looks like it's starting to rain.

(Little RAINDROPS come out, as well as PEOPLE with umbrella choreography.)

Song: It's Okay

It's Okay

Words and Music by
NATHANIEL SEMSEN and CHRISTY SEMSEN
Arranged by Nathaniel Semsen

AV 19

[57] With great compassion (♩ = 86)

1

SOLO (opt. BEEANCA)

mp

5

Rain-drops slid-ing down the win-dow pane, the sun is hid-ing till an-

8

oth-er day. This cloud-y feel-ing is hard to ex-plain. Does

11

[58]
CHOIR

mp

an - y-one else ev-er feel this way? Oh, rain-drops fall.

15

Oh, I hear them call. Cre-a-tion's cho-rus sings to the

19

[59]
f

Lord who made them all. It's o - kay if there

24

comes a day when you're not o - kay. But e - ven

27

when God feels far a-way, I will walk with you till a bright - er

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BEE 1: Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Matthew 5:4.

31 *mp* [60]

day. Oh, rain-drops fall.

37

Oh, I hear them call. Cre-a-tion's cho-rus sings to the

41 [61]

Lord who made them. God is there in the hurt-ing.

45

He is there in the pain. God is there in the suf-fering. He re-

49 [62]

mains the same. Com-fort is com-ing. He will wrap you in His

53

arms. Mer-cy is run-ning to soothe the scars. It's o-

58 *a tempo*

kay if there comes a day_ when you're not_ o - kay. But e-ven

62 [64]

when____ God feels far a-way, I will walk with you____ till a

65

bright - er day.

SCENE 7

QUEEN BEE: **As our Buzzapalooza celebration continues, we are happy to have our little Bee Brigade back with us! I'm proud of you all for standing up for your enemies.**

BEEANCA: Yeah, that was hard.

RUBEE: **But, we were able to put our *beatitudes* into practice!**

PHOESEE: And, our raindrop friends have helped nurture some new little seedlings.

AV 10 | **65** (*Music begins for “How the World Will Know”*)

(Flowers [K and younger] pop out behind little hills and smile—wait for song.)

QUEEN BEE: There's always more to learn from our *bumble beeatitudes*. It isn't always the easy way, but it's the best way!

How the World Will Know

AV10

65 With urgency (♩ = 174)

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CHRISTY SEMSEN

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The Bumble BEEatitudes - Script-Vocal

38
24

CHOIR
mf

Still I feel anx - i - e - ty ris - ing,

29

more than ev-er be - fore. A di - vid - ed gen - er - a -

35

67 3

- tions - what used to work is not e - nough.

41

f

This is how the world will_ know, how ev - 'ry - one will

46

tru - ly see that Je - sus Christ is_ Lord.

51

68

They'll see it through our u - ni - ty!_

56

Woah! Woah!

62

69

mp

Make peace when - ev - er you can.

67

Help oth - ers to do the same._

72

Let's give all_ that we have_

The Bumble BEEatitudes - Script-Vocal

70

mf

39

77

for peace in Je - sus' name. 'Cause we're

81

frac - tured more than ev - er, en-trenched in

86

our own views. It's hard to

90

cut through the noise, but we need to hear the truth.

94

71 3 f

This is how the world will know, how

101

ev - 'ry - one will tru - ly see that Je - sus

106

72

Christ is Lord. They'll see it through our u - ni - ty!

111

— Woah!

116

73

Woah!

122

mf

Let's make peace in Je - sus' name.

BEE 1: Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
(Matthew 5:9 NIV)

126

130 **(74)**

Let's make peace in Je - sus' name.

136 **mp**

This is how the world will know, how

141 **mf**

ev - ry - one will tru - ly see that Je - sus

146 **(75)**

Christ is Lord. They'll see it through our u - ni - ty!

151

— Woah!

156 **(76)** **f**

Woah! This is how the

162 **2**

world will know! This is how the world will know!

167 **2** **ff**

This is how the world will know!

SCENE 8

AV 11 **77** (*Music begins for “Bee Attitudes Reprise”*)

QUEEN BEE: As our *Buzzapalooza* is drawing to a close, let's ask ourselves, are we being formed by our *Beeatitudes*?

RUBEE: Are we growing in love for our enemies?

KIRBEE: Are we known as peacemakers?

ABBEE: *Bees* of mercy?

PHOEBEE: We are not called to *bee* great or significant.

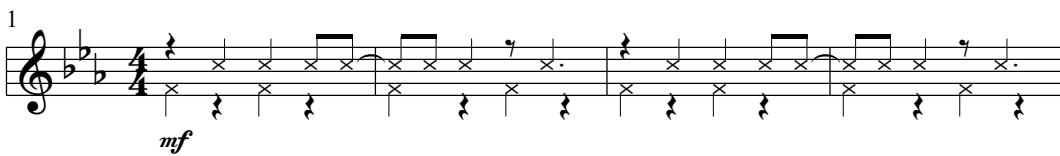
BEEANCA: We are only called to *bee* faithful.

Bee Attitudes Reprise

with Queen Bee Song

Big Band (Swing!) ($\text{♩} = 194$) 

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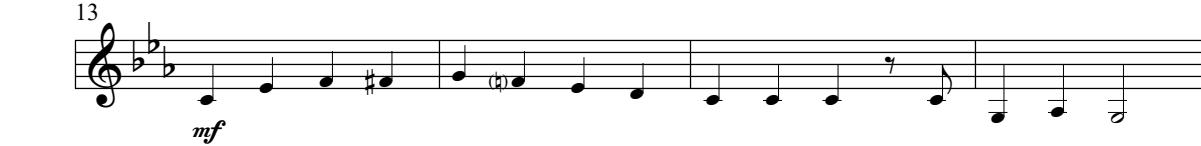
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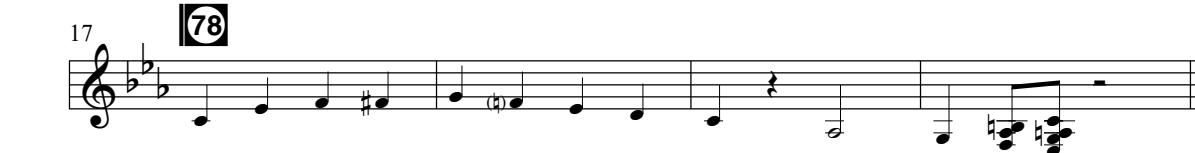


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The Bumble BEEatitudes - Script-Vocal

42

CHOIR 1

BEE ATTITUDES (Christy Semsen)

21

f

(Arranged by Daniel Semsen and Andrew Van Vlear)

Buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz. Eight

24

[79]

great an-nounce-ments. Buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz.

28

CHOIR 2

f

Buz - zle, buzz buzz buzz buzz. Buz - zle.

33

[80]

Buz - zle, buzz buzz buzz buzz. Buz - zle.

37

CHOIR 3

f

Buz-zy buzz-zy buzz. Buzz buzz-zy buzz-zy buzz.

41

[81]

Buz-zy buzz-zy buzz. Buzz buzz-zy buzz-zy buzz.

45

CHOIR 1

Buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz. Eight

CHOIR 2

Buz - zle, buzz buzz buzz buzz. Buz - zle.

CHOIR 3

Buz-zy buzz-zy buzz. Buzz buzz-zy buzz-zy buzz.

The Bumble BEEatitudes - Script-Vocal

43

48

(82)

great an-nounce-ments. Buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz buzz

Buz - zle, buzz buzz buzz buzz.

Buz-zy buzz-zy buzz. Buzz

51

ALL
f

buzz.

Buz - - - zle.

Buz - zy buzz - zy buzz.

We have

53

Bee at - ti - tudes,

Bee at - ti - tudes.

Be -

57

cause of the Good News,

we have Bee at - ti - tudes.

We've

61

trained our buz - zy brains,

to see the way Christ aims.

65

Ev - 'ry day we choose

Bee - at - ti - tudes!

QUEEN BEE: As we begin to look more and more like Jesus, the kingdom of God is expanding! Let's let these words of Jesus sink down into our *buzzy* souls. Let's move and groove to our *bumble beeatitudes*!

83 *A little faster* ($\text{♩} = 196$)

68

72

76

80

84

f

There's a

QUEEN BEE SONG (Christy Semsen, Nathaniel Semsen)
(Arranged by Nathaniel Semsen)

84

move and a groove for each BEE-at - i - tude. We move, we

87

groove. There's a move and a groove for each BEE-at - i - tude. We

90

move, we groove. There's a move and a groove for each

93

BEE-at - i - tude. We move, we groove. There's a

96

(85)

move and a groove for each BEE-at - i - tude. We move!

99

ff

This is the Bum - ble BEE - at - i - tudes, the

102

Bum - ble BEE - at - i - tudes, the Bum - ble BEE - at - i - tudes, the

105

at - i - tudes, the Bum - ble BEE - at - i - tudes. It's the

108

Bum - ble BEE - at - i - tudes, the Bum - ble BEE - at - i - tudes, the

111

the Bum - ble BEE - at - i - tudes, the

114

Bum - ble BEE - at - i - tudes!

Bumblebee Bows

(Queen Bee Song)

Words and Music by

CHRISTY SEMSEN

and NATHANIEL SEMSEN

and by Nathaniel Semsen

AV 12

86 Driving Shuffle (♩ = 196)

1

5

10

14

18

22

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38

42

46

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54

58

f

62

ff

66

f

70

(87)

CHOIR

f

73

There's a move and a groove for each BEE-at - i - tude. We move, we groove. There's a move and a groove for each

76

The Bumble BEEatitudes - Script-Vocal

48

79



BEE-at - i - tude. We move, we groove. There's a

82



move and a groove for each BEE-at - i - tude. We move, we

85



groove. There's a move and a groove for each BEE-at - i - tude. We

88



move! This is the Bum-ble BEE - at - i-tudes, the

92



Bum-ble BEE - at - i - tudes, the Bum-ble BEE -

95



at - i-tudes, the Bum-ble BEE - at - i - tudes. It's the

98



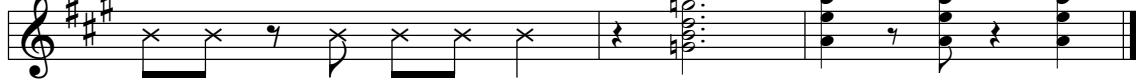
Bum-ble BEE - at - i-tudes, the Bum-ble BEE - at - i - tudes,

101



the Bum - ble BEE - at - i - tudes, the

104



Bum - ble BEE - at - i - tudes!

PRODUCTION NOTES

This show is so much fun! And the options for creative bee themed sets and costumes are limitless!

If you like, it is fun to divide each grade into groups where they can be featured on a song! Give them a costume accessory, and let them perform in front. This is a great way to add color, interest, and give all the kids something special to do!

- Raindrops (very young kids) Song: It's Okay
- Sunflowers Song: How the World Will Know
- Sporty Bees Song: Love God
- Honeybees Song: Mercy of God
- Royal Flowers Song: Queen Bee Song
- Bee Brigade Song: The Wasp Way
- (Optional) Wasps Song: The Wasp Way

CHARACTERS

LEAD CHARACTERS (11)

Bees

RUBEE	happy, bubbly friendly bee
BEEANCA	spunky, cute, younger cousin visiting
TOBEE	sporty bee
ABBEE	energetic friendly
KIRBEE	no nonsense military type bee-on the brigade
PHOEBEE	super fan of Queen Bee and Royal Flowers
QUEEN BEE	the Queen.
FLORA	Royal Flower, Queens court

Birds

SUMMER 1	Summer Tanager/Gen Beak, self absorbed, bored, red
SUMMER 2	Summer Tanager/Gen Beak, self absorbed, bored, red
SUMMER 3	Summer Tanager/Gen Beak, self absorbed, bored, red

SMALLER CHARACTERS (4)

Wasps

WILDER WASP	WASPIE SKATER
WINONA WASP	WASPIE SKATER (2 lines)
(1 line)	
ANNOUNCER BEE	(announces Queen Bee)
BEE 1	

Optional character-splits and additions

- Queen Bee Body Guard
- Walker Wasp
- Additional Skateboarding Wasps
- Bee Tap Dancers (Opening Song)
- Buzzketball Players (Scene 3)
- Raindrops
- Sunflowers
- Royal Flower Dancers
- Umbrella dancers

SETTING

Happy Hiveland (Buzzapalooza, The Tree Zone)

Waspland

THEME

Learning to follow the teachings of Christ from the Sermon on the Mount

SOLOS

Bee Attitudes	Solos 1-2
Queen Bee Song	Queen Bee, Royal Flowers, Optional Solo 1-2
The Summer Tanagers	The Summer Tanagers
The Mercy of God	Solos 1-2
Love God	Solos 1-4; Queen Bee
The Wasp Way	Wilder, Winona, Wasp 1
It's Okay	Solo 1-2
How the World will Know	Solo 1-2

PROPS

Basketball
 Skateboards
 Stingers/jousting sticks for bee brigade
 Wings (for Flora to sign)

SET

Make a gold, shiny honeycomb to be center stage, where kids can stick their heads through the hexagon openings. (See IVD demonstration video) Wasp land can have a skate ramp and a sign saying “The Wasp Way” and “Wasp Jam Today!” Treetops around the stage can show that the bees are in the trees.

New—COSTUME LINKS

On our product page at www.semsenmusic.com there is a page you can download with all the links to the costumes that were purchased for the demonstration performance! Download the Costume Links page for Bumble Beeatitudes!

COSTUMES

Choir can wear a Bumble Beeatitudes T-shirt, and bee antena (for some or all).

Costumes for ALL characters can be as simple (choir t-shirt and bee antenea) or elaborate (full costume) as you like!

- Rubee, Beeanca, Abbee, Phoebee bee costume
- Kirbee military shirt and hat
- Flora flower hat and green boa
- Queen Bee crown and elegant/popstar bee costume
- Summer Tanagers red shirts, red skirts, red feather hat
- Wilder and Winona Wasp tie-dyed colored shirts, wasp antenna and bug glasses
- Sunflowers See link
- Royal Flowers See link