

Side Notes:

- There is this cool chord progression in a song of Beethoven's. You've probably never heard the song...unless, of course you've played it in my "67 Fun Songs" book. It is called "German Dance." Over the years, I have often found myself jamming on this chord progression. Once I even tried to see how many different variations of this song I could come up with, just for fun. Well, one day I was on a road trip listening to Alison Krauss' song "Broadway" and I had the thought to try my Beethoven chord progression with the very nice rhythmic feel of this Alison Krauss song... adding a new melody part of my own. The result is "Fishing Stream."
- Still reading? Visit the "Piano Teacher's Corner" of my web site, jonschmidt.com, to hear Beethoven's "German Dance." To hear "Fishing Stream," go to the main page of my site, under "Free Stuff."

Helpful Hints:

- I used to have trouble keeping track of four flats until I realized: Hey...just put a flat on every note with a black key below it—except for G.
- Which reminds me of my favorite joke: How are a duck and a bicycle the same? They both have handle bars—except the duck.
- Oh all right...I'll transpose this song to the key of one sharp and make it available on my site if you are still afraid of four flats. You can find it at my online store at jonschmidt.com.

The Fishing Stream

♩ = 100-110

Nice weather we're having

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inspired by Beethoven

mf (rhythm aid for an eighth-note beat)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 (rhythm aid for an eighth-note beat)

1 2 3 4

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

pedal ad-lib, except where noted

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6

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

1 2 3 4 5

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

1 2 3 4 5

5

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