Part One:

3 + 2 + 6 – 2 – 1 – 2 = 6

1½ + ½ + 2 – ½ – 1½ + 2 = 4

6 + 6 – 2 – 1 – 3 – 1 = 5

The first letter of the puzzle = O

Part Two:

The intervals = 2nd 4th 7th 5th (2 + 4 + 7 + 5 = 18)

The second letter of the puzzle = R

Part Three:

A tie joins two notes of the same pitch. This means that we count two note values but we only play 1

The third letter of the puzzle = A

Part Four:

The note names are: G, C, F, D (7 + 3 + 6 + 4 = 20)

The fourth letter of the puzzle = T

Part Five:

The different time signatures are:

4/4 2/4 4/4 2/4 3/4

When the top numbers are added together the total answer = 15

The fifth letter of the puzzle = O

Part Six:

1 + 2 + 6 – ½ –1½ + 2 – 4 + 1 = 6

The sixth letter of the puzzle = R

Part Seven:

The degrees of the scale used to create a Tonic Triad are 1, 3, 5. (added together = 9)

The seventh letter of the puzzle = I

Part Eight:

How many quavers does this tie equal. The answer is 15

The eighth letter of the puzzle = O

When all of the letters are put together they provide the final answer to the sentence below:

In 1734 (aged 49) Johann Sebastian Bach wrote the Christmas ORATORIO