Sunday, November 15, 2015
Lectionary 33

Introduction

November begins with All Saints Day and ends in or near Advent, when we anticipate Christ's coming again. So the readings today tell of the final resurrection and the end time. In the turmoil of hope, fear, and disbelief that these predictions provoke in us, Hebrews sounds a note of confident trust. Christ makes a way for us where there is no way, and we walk it confidently, our hearts and bodies washed in baptismal water, trusting the one who has promised. The more we see the last day approaching, the more important it is to meet together to provoke one another to love.

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
clothed in majesty ever since the world began,
who loves us and frees us from our sins,
who leads us with all the saints to everlasting life.
Amen.
Let us draw near with a true heart
and confess our sins to God.
Silence is kept for reflection.

God our maker and redeemer,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed.
We come for refuge to your infinite mercy.
You have given your only Son to die for us;
have mercy on us, and for his sake,
forgive us all our sin.
By your Holy Spirit, increase in us
true knowledge of you and your will,
and true obedience to your word,
that by your grace we may come to everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.
Almighty God has had mercy on us,
and God's only Son has been given to die for us,
and for his sake God ☩ forgives us all our sin.
Believing in Jesus' name,
you have received power
to become the children of God;
you have received the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Be alert | at all times,* praying that you may have the strength to stand before the | Son of Man. *Alleluia.* *(Luke 23:36)*

Readings and Psalm

Daniel 12:1-3
The deliverance of God's people at the end
Psalm 16
My heart is glad and my spirit rejoices; my body shall rest in hope. *(Ps. 16:9)*
Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25
The way to God opened through Christ's death
Mark 13:1-8
The end and the coming of the Son

Semicontinuous First Reading and Psalm

1 Samuel 1:4-20
Hannah's prayers for a child answered
1 Samuel 2:1-10
My heart exults in the LORD; my strength is exalted in my God. *(1 Sa. 2:1)*

First Reading: Daniel 12:1-3

The book of Daniel is an example of apocalyptic literature, which is full of strange visions and symbolism. Arising during times of great persecution, apocalyptic literature is concerned with God's revelation about the end time and the coming kingdom of God, when God will vindicate the righteous who have been persecuted.

1 "At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a
time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that
time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. 2 Many of those
who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and
everlasting contempt. 3 Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those
who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

Psalm: Psalm 16

My heart is glad and my spirit rejoices; my body shall rest in hope. (Ps. 16:9)

[1]Protect me, O God, for I take ref- | uge in you;
I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good a- | bove all other."
[2]**All my delight is in the godly that are | in the land,**
upon those who are noble a- | mong the people.
[3]But those who run after | other gods
shall have their troubles | multiplied.
[4]**I will not pour out drink offerings | to such gods,**
never take their names up- | on my lips. R
[5]O LORD, you are my portion | and my cup;
it is you who up- | hold my lot.
[6]**My boundaries enclose a | pleasant land;**
indeed, I have a | rich inheritance.
[7]I will bless the LORD who | gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me night | after night.
[8]**I have set the LORD al- | ways before me;**
because God is at my right hand, I shall | not be shaken. R
[9]My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spir- | it rejoices;
my body also shall | rest in hope.
[10]**For you will not abandon me | to the grave,**
nor let your holy one | see the pit.
[11]You will show me the | path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore. **R**

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25

Images of worship and sacrifice are used throughout Hebrews to highlight what Christ has uniquely accomplished through his death. Because we have received forgiveness through Christ's death, we live with sincere hearts by trusting in God's promises and encouraging love and good works from each other.

[11]Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that
can never take away sins. [12]But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins,
"he sat down at the right hand of God," [13]and since then has been waiting "until his enemies
would be made a footstool for his feet." [14]For by a single offering he has perfected for all time
those who are sanctified. [[15]And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,
[16]"This is the covenant that I will make with them
after those days, says the Lord:
I will put my laws in their hearts,
and I will write them on their minds,"
[17]he also adds,
"I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."
[18]Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.]

[19]Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of

Jesus, [20]by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), [21]and since we have a great priest over the house of God, [22]let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. [23]Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. [24]And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, [25]not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Gospel: Mark 13:1-8

In the last week of his life, Jesus warned his disciples concerning trials that were to come upon them and upon the world. He exhorts the listener: Do not be alarmed.

[1]As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" [2]Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

[3]When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, [4]"Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" [5]Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. [6]Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. [7]When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. [8]For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs."

Semicontinuous First Reading: 1 Samuel 1:4-20

This story introduces us to Elkanah, a devout Israelite, and his wife, Hannah, who is barren. God grants Hannah's prayer and she bears a son, Samuel, who will be an important figure in Israel's history. Samuel, the last of Israel's judges, anoints the first two kings of Israel, Saul and David.

[4]On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; [5]but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the LORD had closed her womb. [6]Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the LORD had closed her womb. [7]So it went on year by year; as often as she went up to the house of the LORD, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. [8]Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?"

[9]After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the LORD. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the LORD. [10]She was deeply distressed and prayed to the LORD, and wept bitterly. [11]She made this vow: "O LORD of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head."

[12]As she continued praying before the LORD, Eli observed her mouth. [13]Hannah was praying

silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk.
14So Eli said to her, “How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your
wine.” 15But Hannah answered, “No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk
neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the LORD. 16Do not
regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and
vexation all this time.” 17Then Eli answered, “Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition
you have made to him.” 18And she said, “Let your servant find favor in your sight.” Then the
woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no
longer.

19They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the LORD; then they went back to their
house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the LORD remembered her. 20In due time
Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, “I have asked him of the
LORD.”

Semicontinuous Psalm: 1 Samuel 2:1-10

My heart exults in the LORD; my strength is exalted in my God. (1 Sa. 2:1)

1My heart exults in the LORD; my strength is exalted | in my God.
My mouth derides my enemies, because I re- | joice in my victory.
2**There is no Holy One like the LORD, no | one besides you;**
there is no Rock | like our God.
3Talk no more so very proudly, let not arrogance come | from your mouth;
for the LORD is a God of knowledge, and by the LORD ac- | tions are weighed.
4**The bows of the might- | y are broken,**
but the feeble | gird on strength. R
5Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread, but those who were hungry are | fat with spoil.
The barren has borne seven, but she who has many children | is forlorn.
6**The LORD kills and | brings to life;**
the LORD brings down to Sheol and | raises up.
7The LORD makes poor | and makes rich;
brings low, and al- | so exalts.
8**The LORD raises up the poor from the dust; lifting the needy from the ash heap, to make them sit with princes and inherit a | seat of honor.**
For the pillars of the earth are the LORD‘s, and on them God has | set the world. R
9You, LORD, will guard the feet of your | faithful ones,
but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness; for not by might does | one prevail.
10**The LORD‘s adversaries shall be shattered; the Most High will thun- | der in heaven.**
O LORD, you will judge the ends of the earth; you will give strength to your king, and exalt the power of | your anointed. R

Prayers of Intercession

The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.

United into one by the power of the Holy Spirit, let us pray with all God's saints for healing, wholeness, and peace in all the earth.

A brief silence.

Holy One, we pray for healing in the church; for forgiveness when we are quick to judge; for mercy when we are slow to love neighbors; for an end to racial divisions on Sunday mornings. Let us pray.
Have mercy, O God.
For stars and planets, black holes, and all the wonders of the universe; for astronomers and aerospace engineers; for science teachers and curious students; for the renewal of all creation. Let us pray.
Have mercy, O God.
For political refugees and all who seek asylum; for war-torn nations and our global neighbors accustomed to the sound of bombs and gunfire (*especially*); for our national enemies and for our country. Let us pray.
Have mercy, O God.
For people living with Alzheimer's disease and Parkinson's disease; for the family, friends, and caregivers who love them; for all who cannot afford medical care when they are sick; for all who mourn and suffer (*especially*). Let us pray.
Have mercy, O God.
For new parents and grandparents; for families grieving a miscarriage; for foster parents and homeless youth; for families living with domestic violence; for the newly married, recently divorced, and happily single. Let us pray.
Have mercy, O God.
Here other intercessions may be offered.

In thanksgiving for all the faithful departed who now sing your glory (especially), that our voices might join with theirs in praise today and always. Let us pray.
Have mercy, O God.
Into your care, Alpha and Omega, we entrust all for whom we pray. Be with us now and always, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Offering Prayer

Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills
were gathered together to become one bread,
so let your church be gathered together
from the ends of the earth into your kingdom,
for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever.
Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Goodness is stronger than evil.
Life is stronger than death.
Taste the goodness and life of God.

Prayer after Communion

O God, you have called your servants
to ventures of which we cannot see the ending,
by paths as yet untrodden,
through perils unknown.
Give us faith to go out with good courage,
not knowing where we go,
but only that your hand is leading us
and your love supporting us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Sending of Communion

Gracious God, you took the form of a servant,
offering yourself as food, comfort, and strength
to a sick and hurting world.
Anoint with a servant heart
those who take your word and sacrament
to our sisters and brothers
in their homes/in prisons/in hospitals.
Grant grace, mercy, healing, and hope
to those who feast on your body and blood
and receive your words of new life.
May we all recognize that we have a place and a home
in the body of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Blessing

The love of God who created you,
the mercy of ✢ Jesus Christ who died for you,
and the power of the Holy Spirit who strengthens you,
keep you at one with all the faithful, living and departed,
and remain with you now and forever.
Amen.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Christ is with you.
Thanks be to God.

Commemorations for the Week

Elizabeth of Hungary
Tuesday, November 17, 2015
Born in Hungary, Elizabeth was betrothed to the son of the Landgrave of Thuringia, and at age four was taken to be raised with him at the Wartburg Castle. Ten years later they were married. She was very generous to the poor, and after her husband's death she lived in cruel hardship until her own death at age twenty-four.

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WHEN MORNING GILDS THE SKIES

Sw. Flute 8′, Trem. (C♯)
Gt. Dulciana [D] *Prepare* [A♯] *00 2454 321*
Ped. Soft 16′ *Ped. 32, Chorus*

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VAN DENMAN THOMPSON

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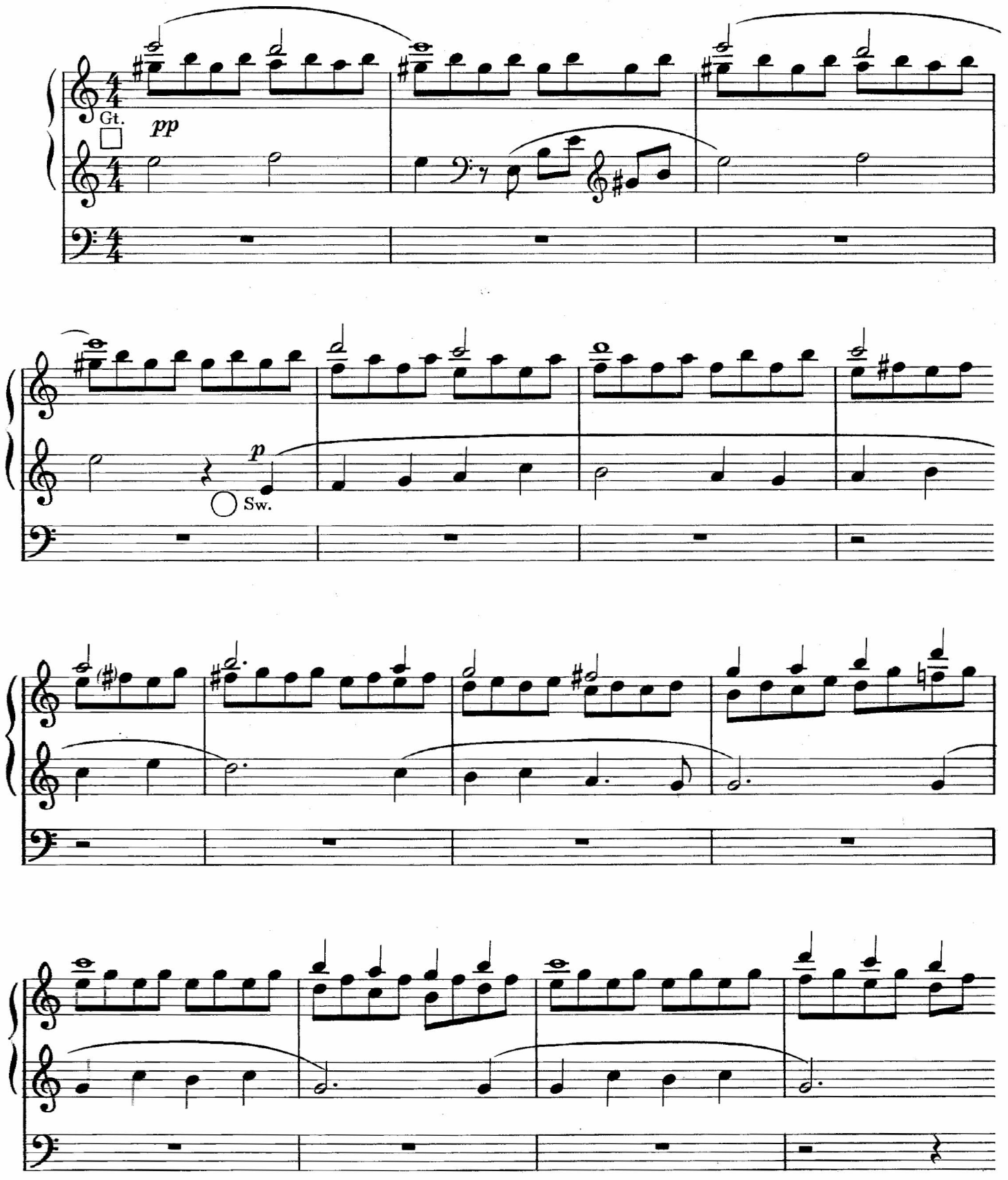

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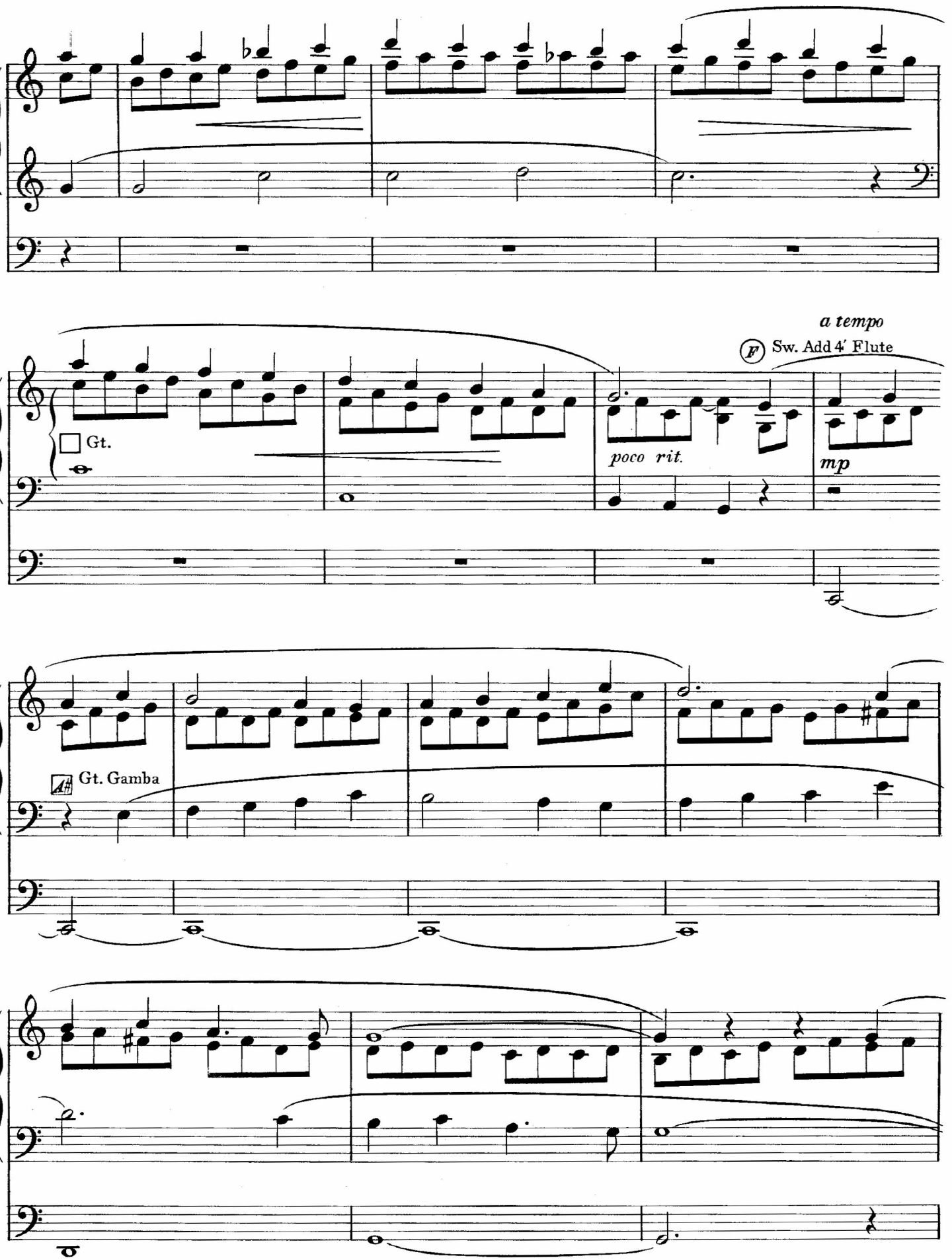
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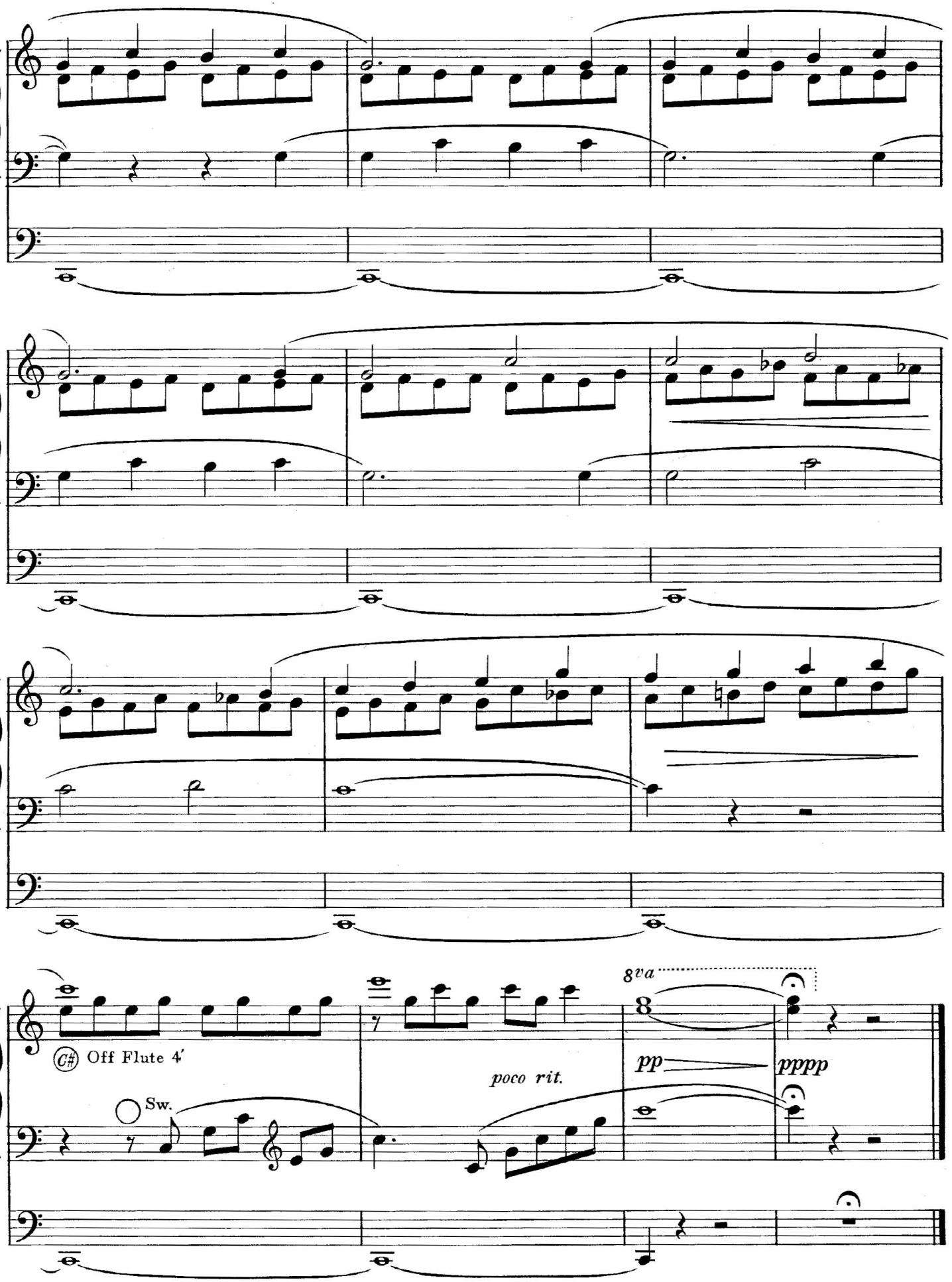
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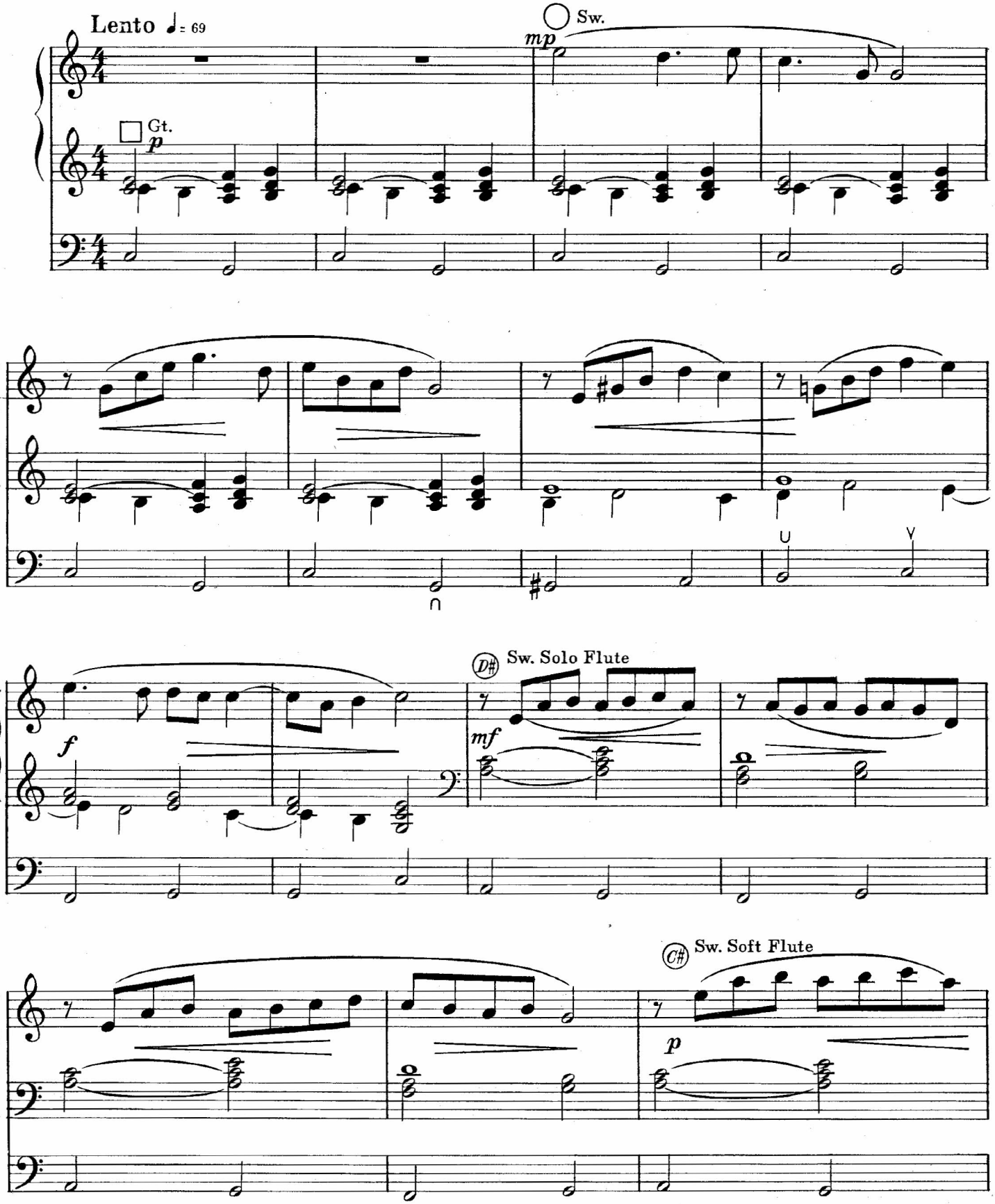
ROBERT GRAHAM



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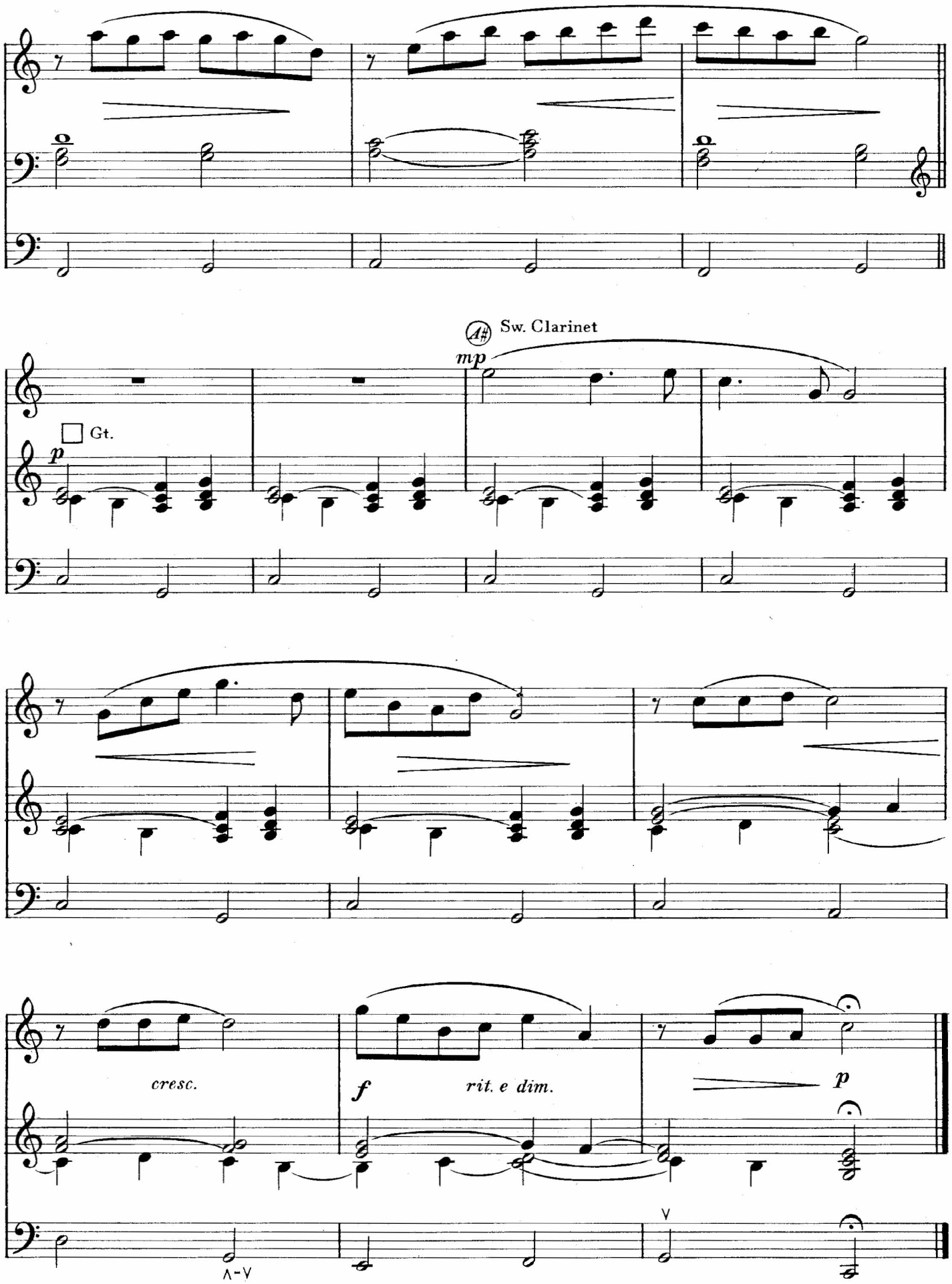
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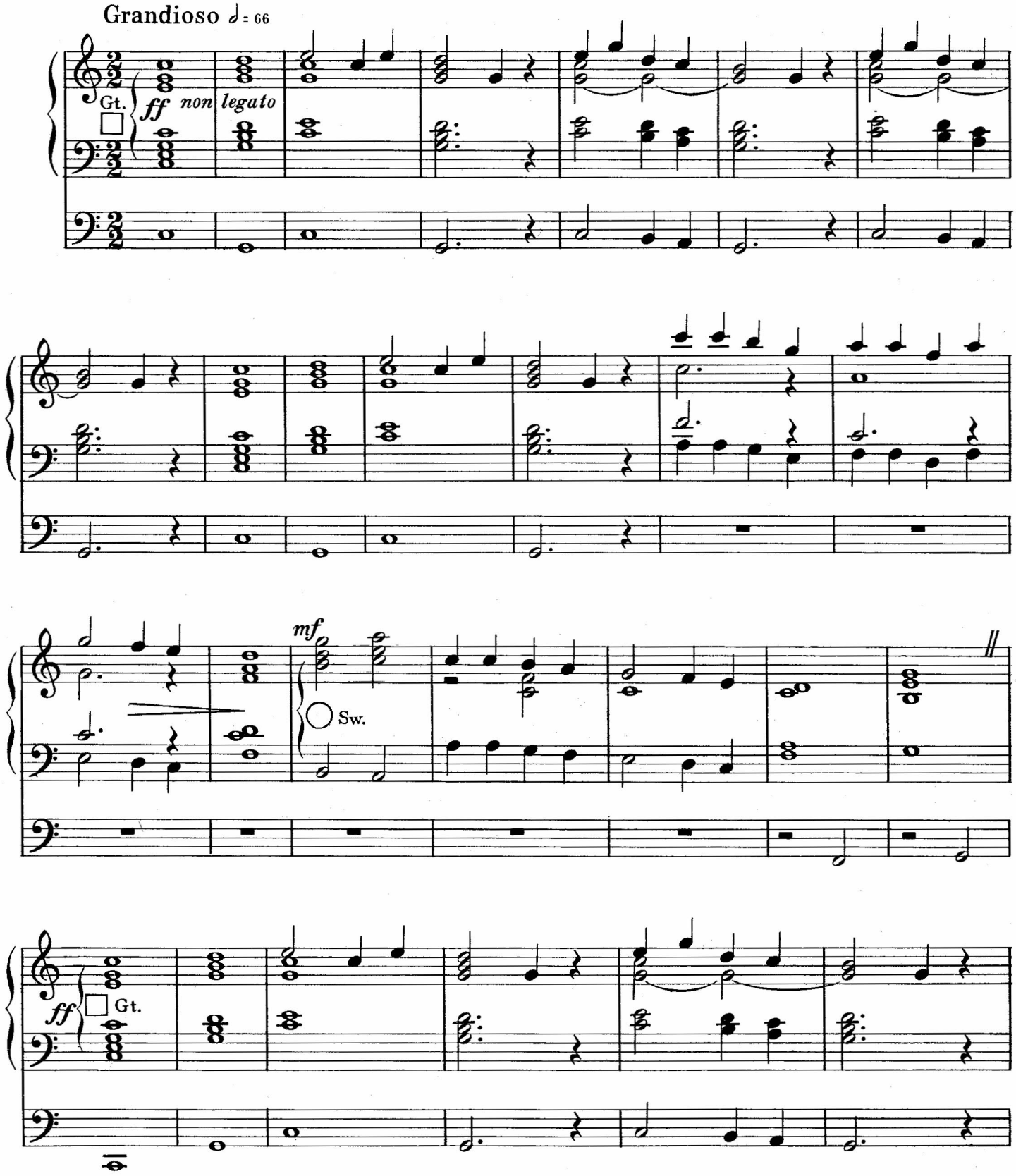

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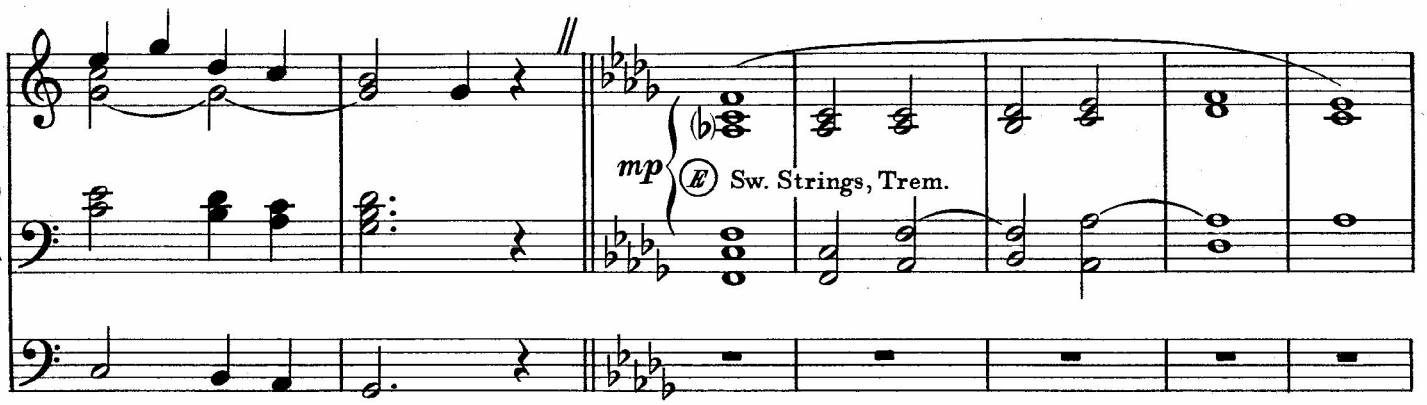

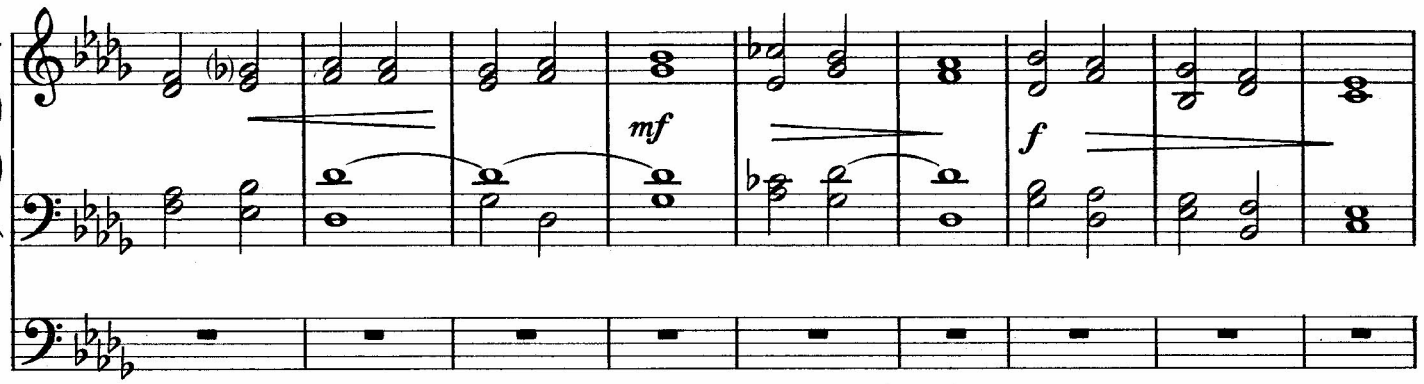

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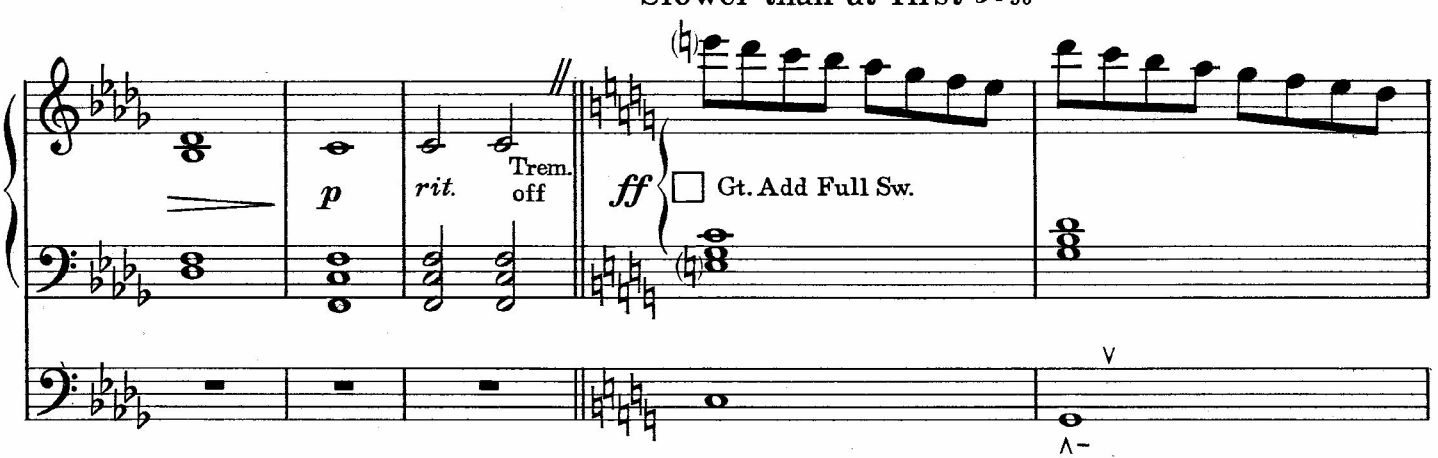

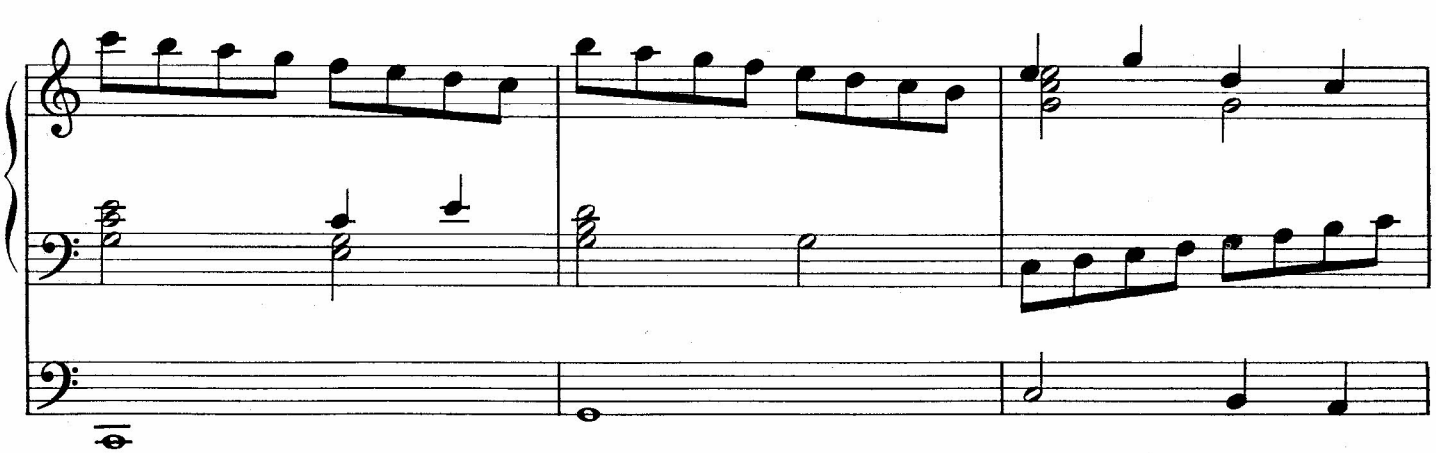

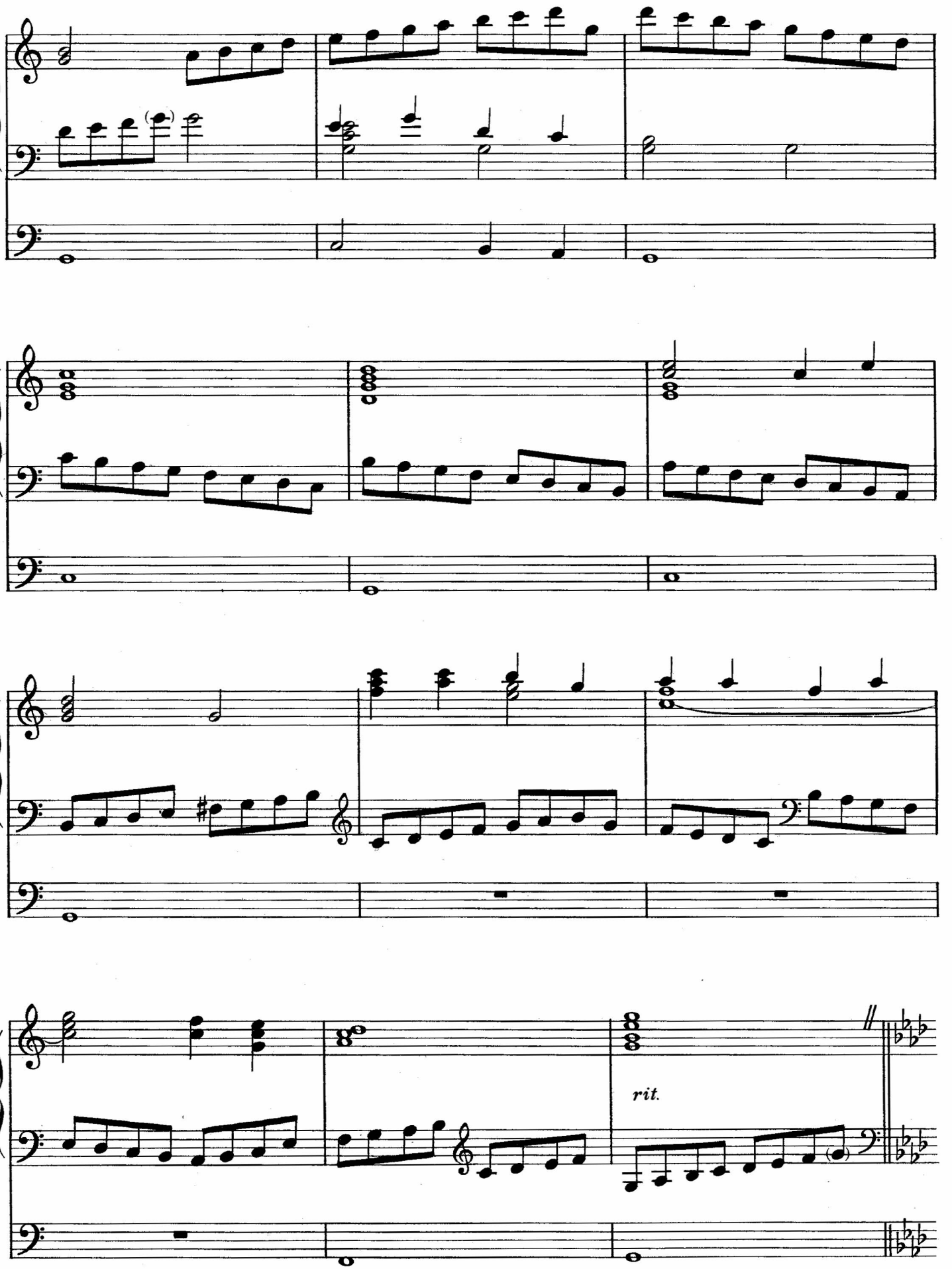
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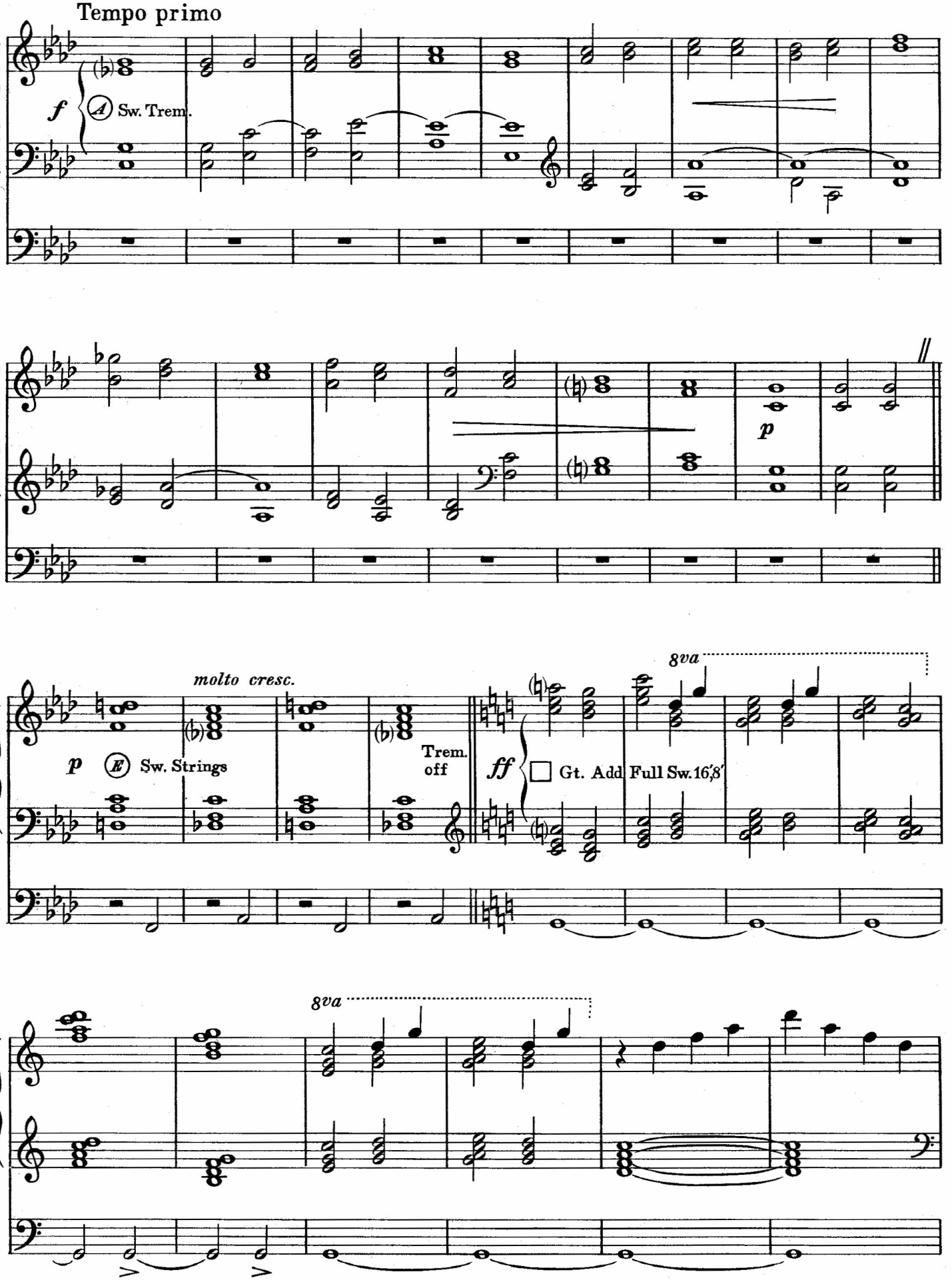
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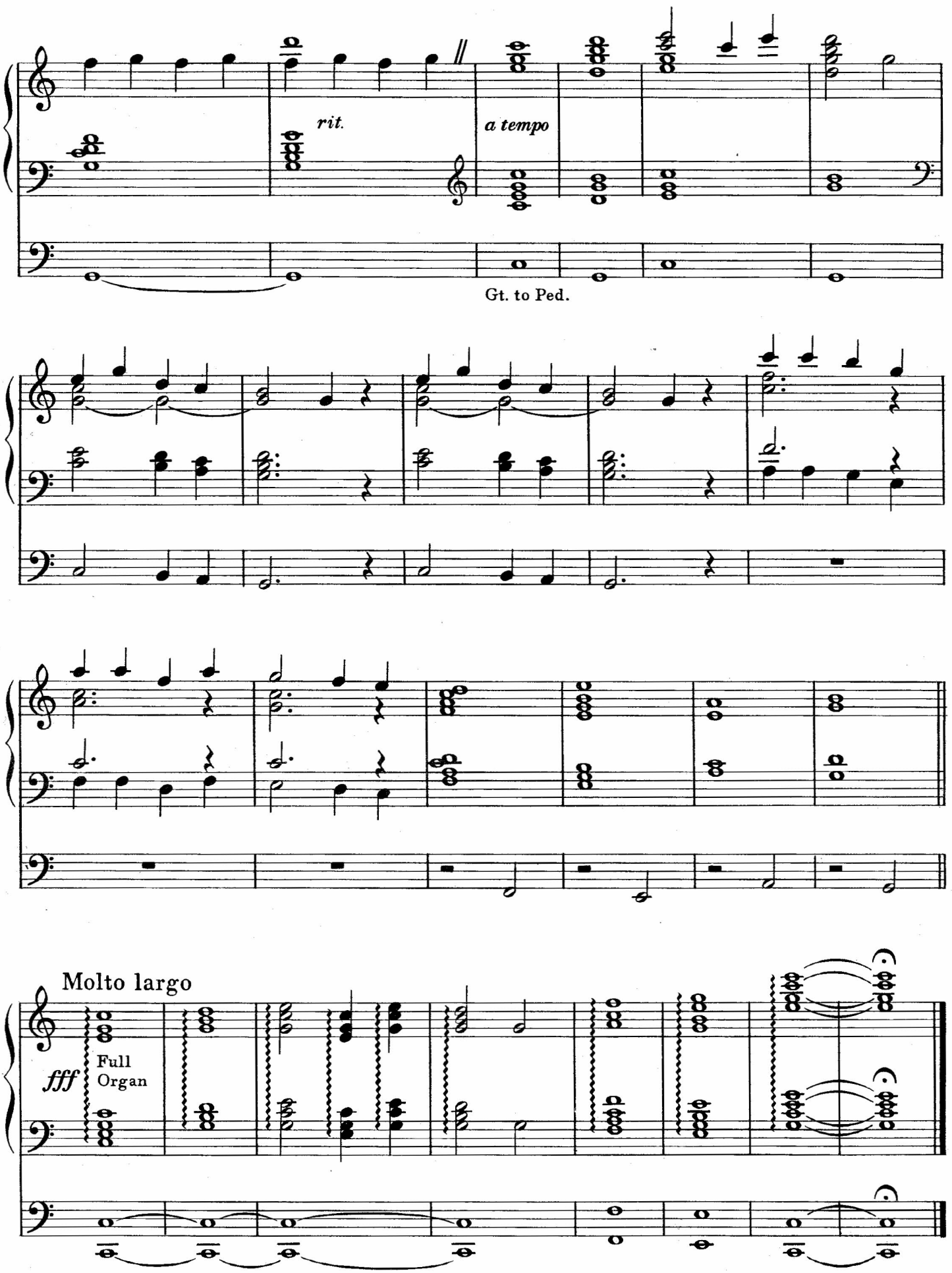
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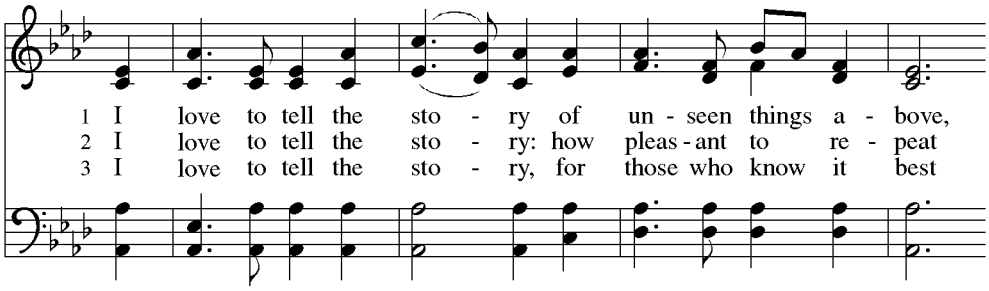

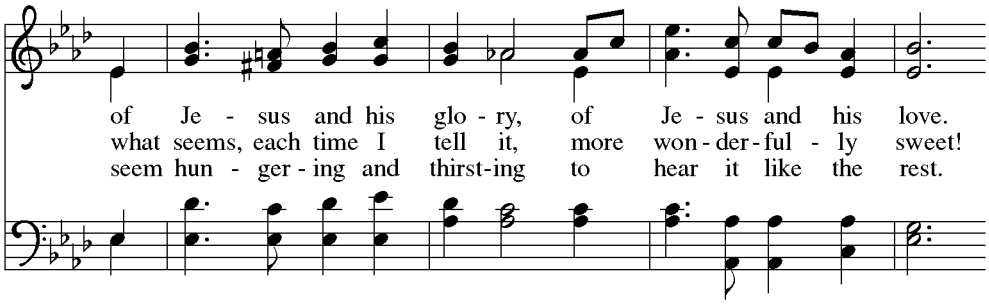

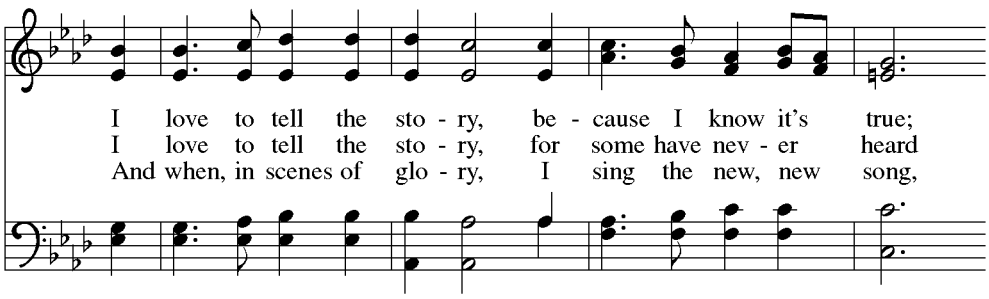

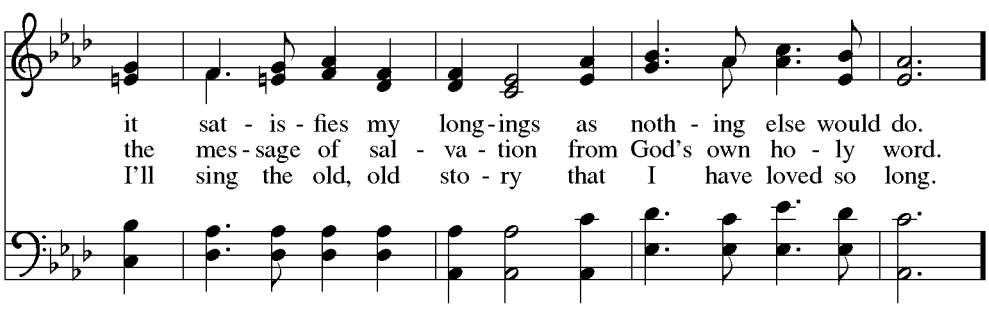

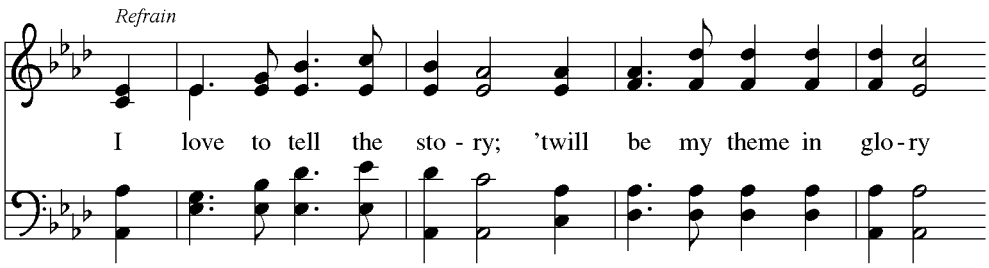

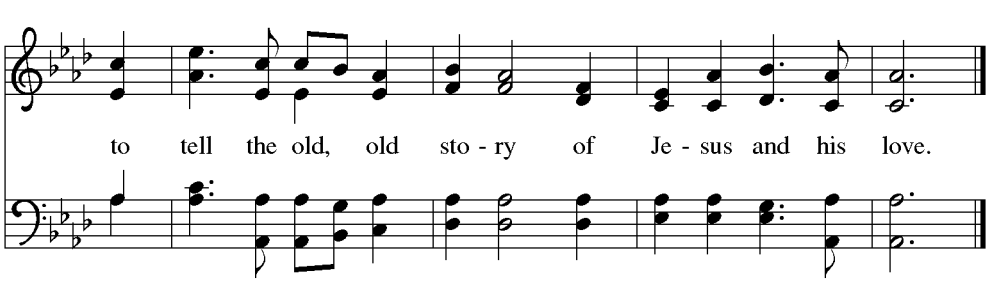

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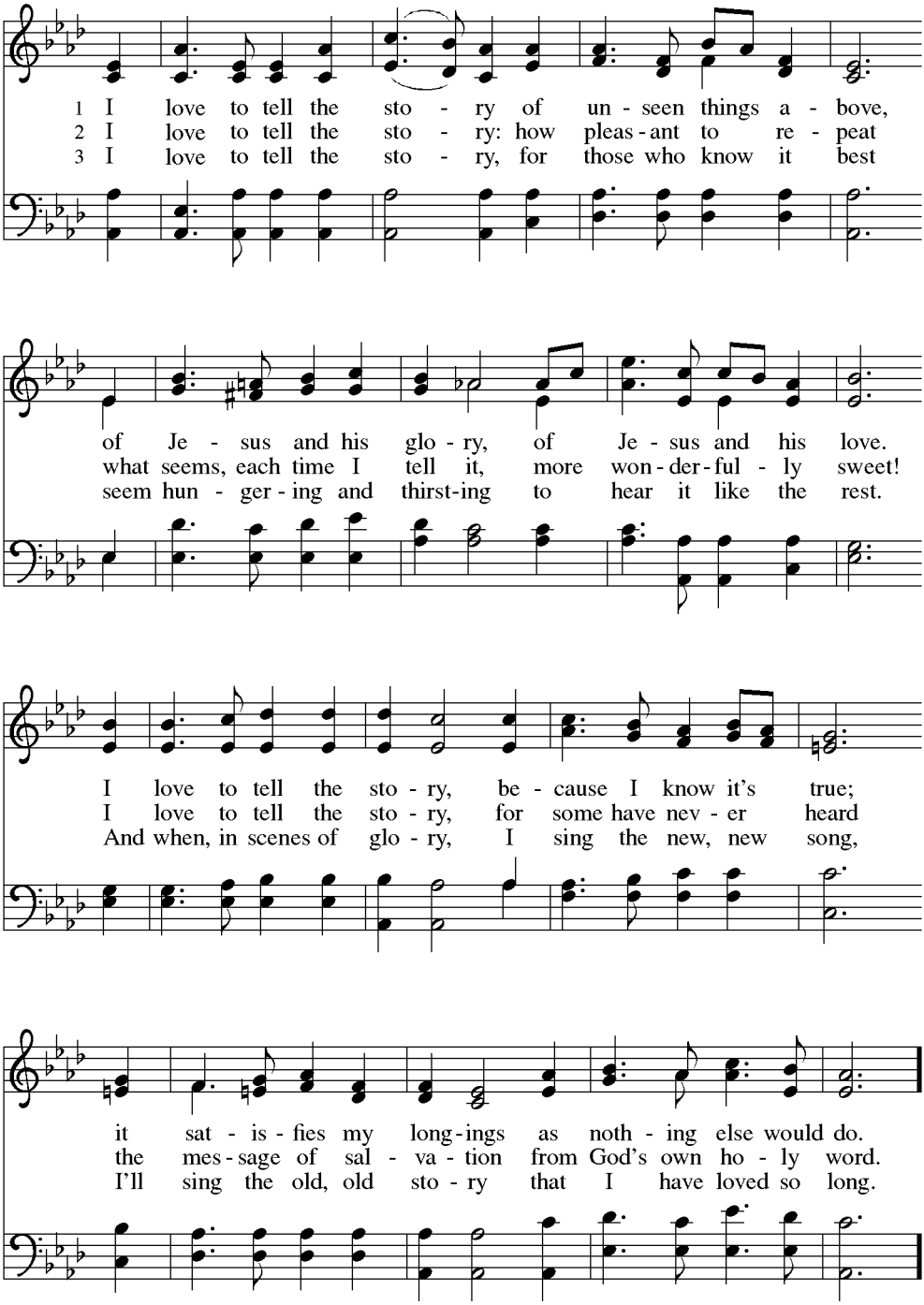

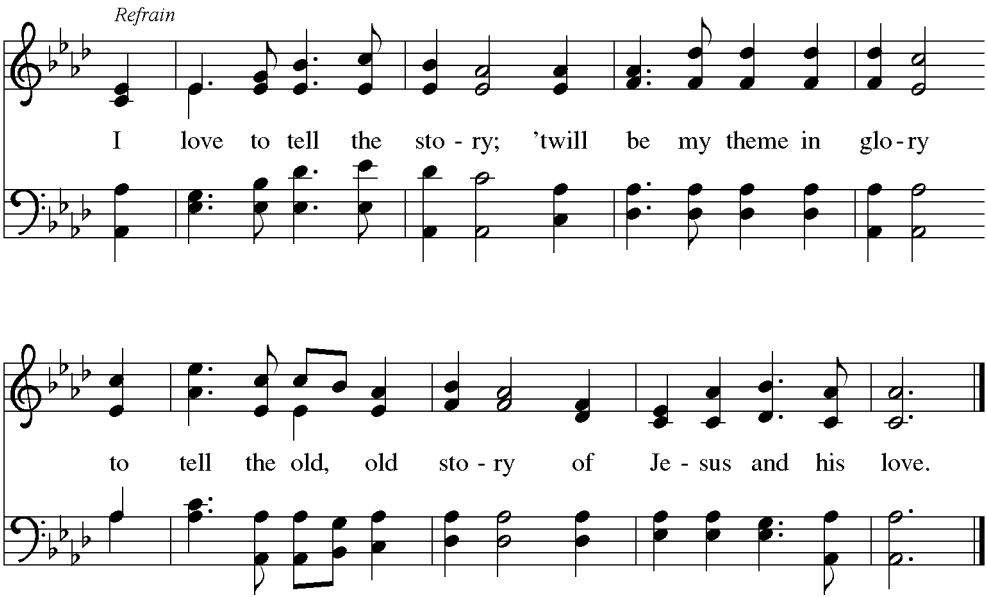

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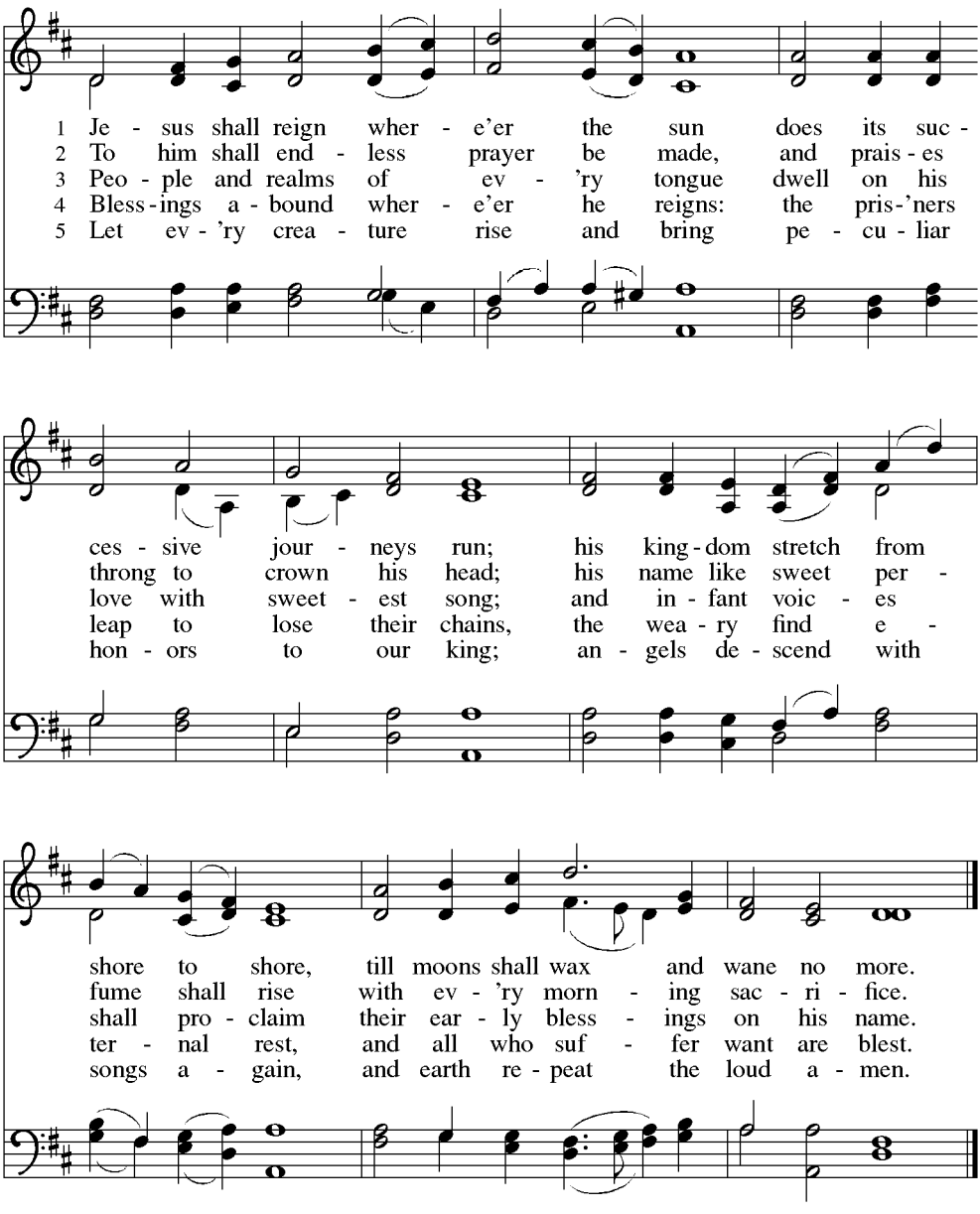

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Jesus Shall Reign

DUKE STREET

Introduction

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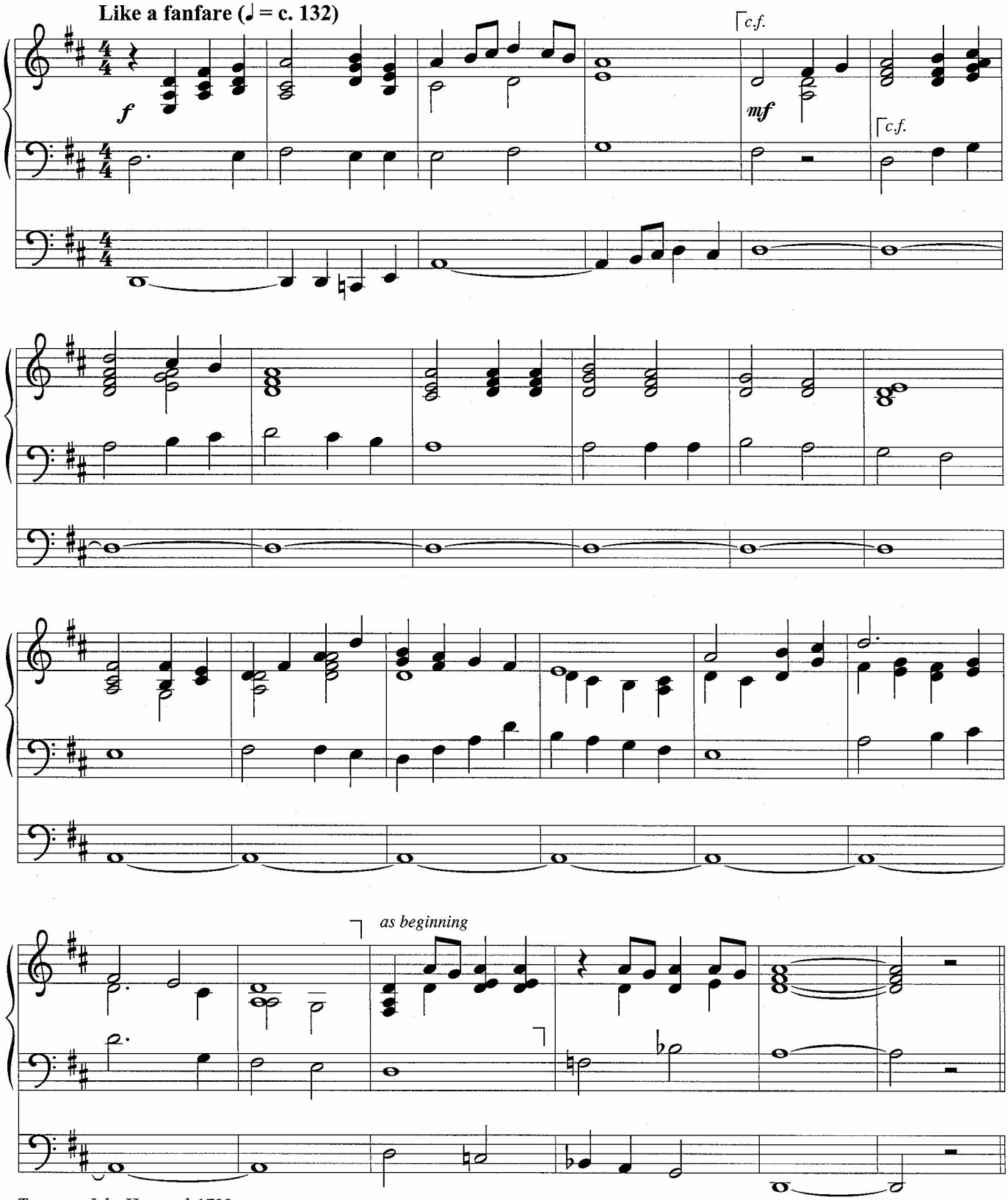

Tune: attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

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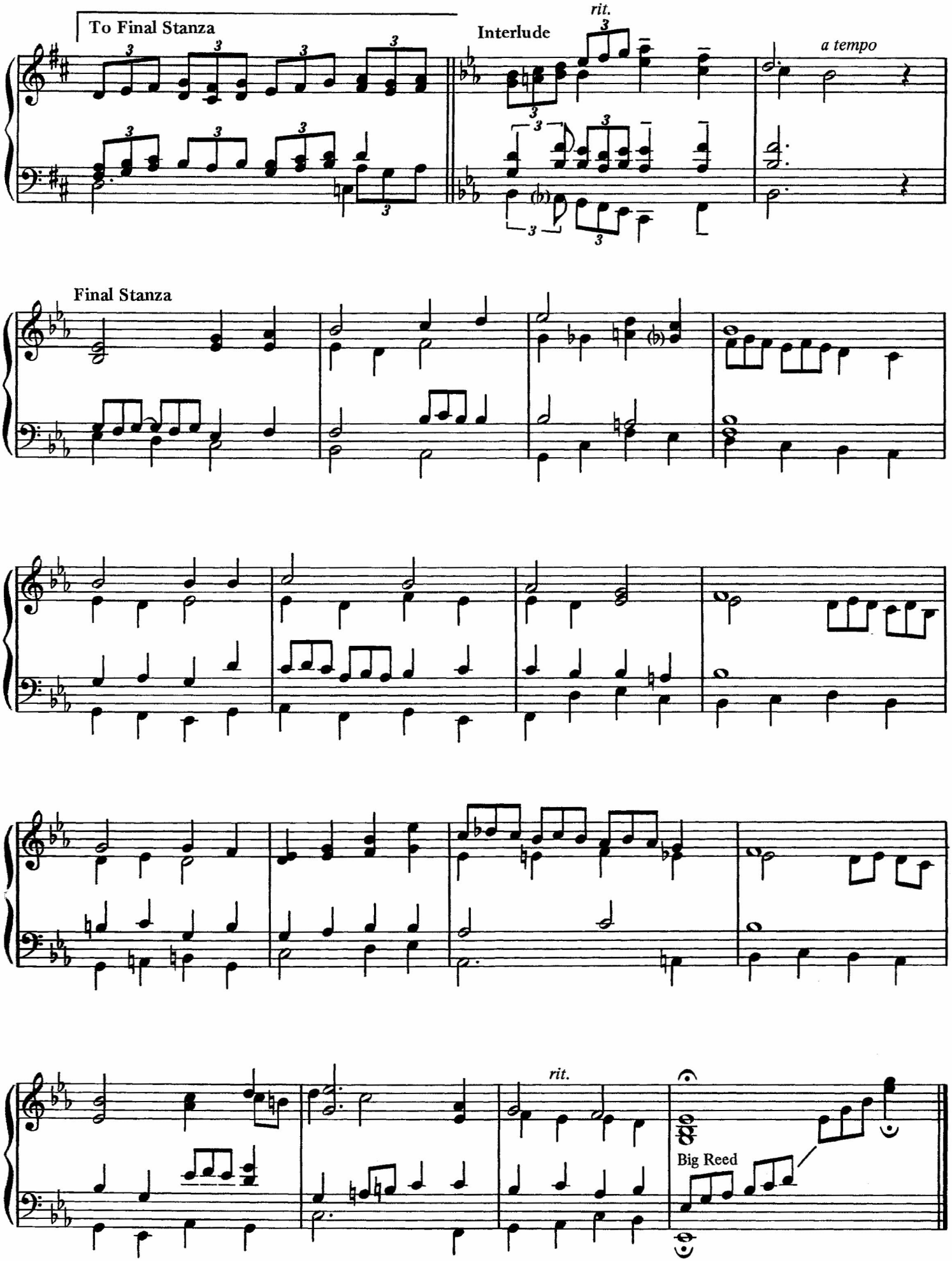
To Final Stanza
Interlude
rit.
a tempo
Final Stanza
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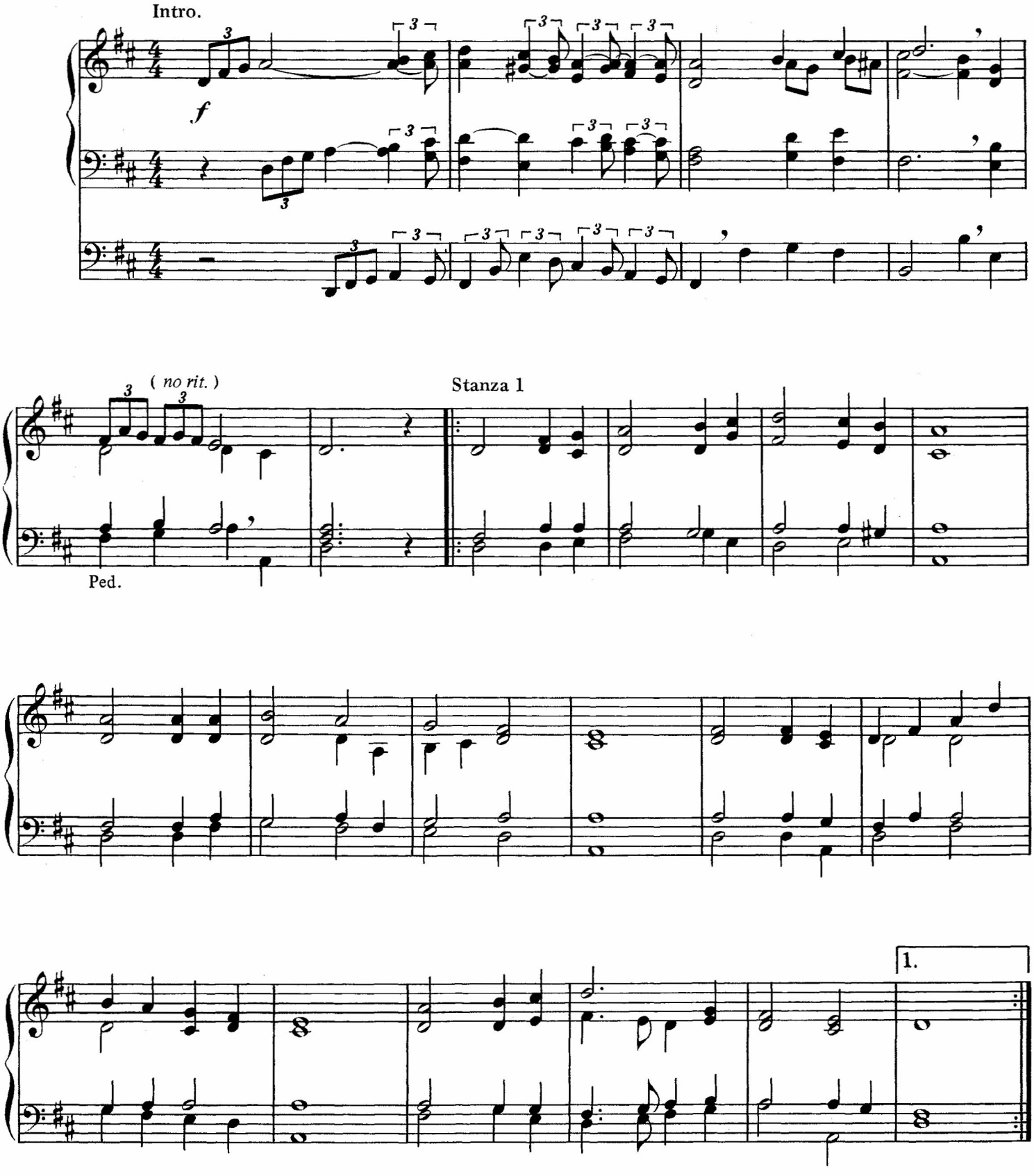
Big Reed

JESUS SHALL REIGN WHERE'ER THE SUN

(DUKE STREET)

John Hatton
Arranged by Frederick Swann



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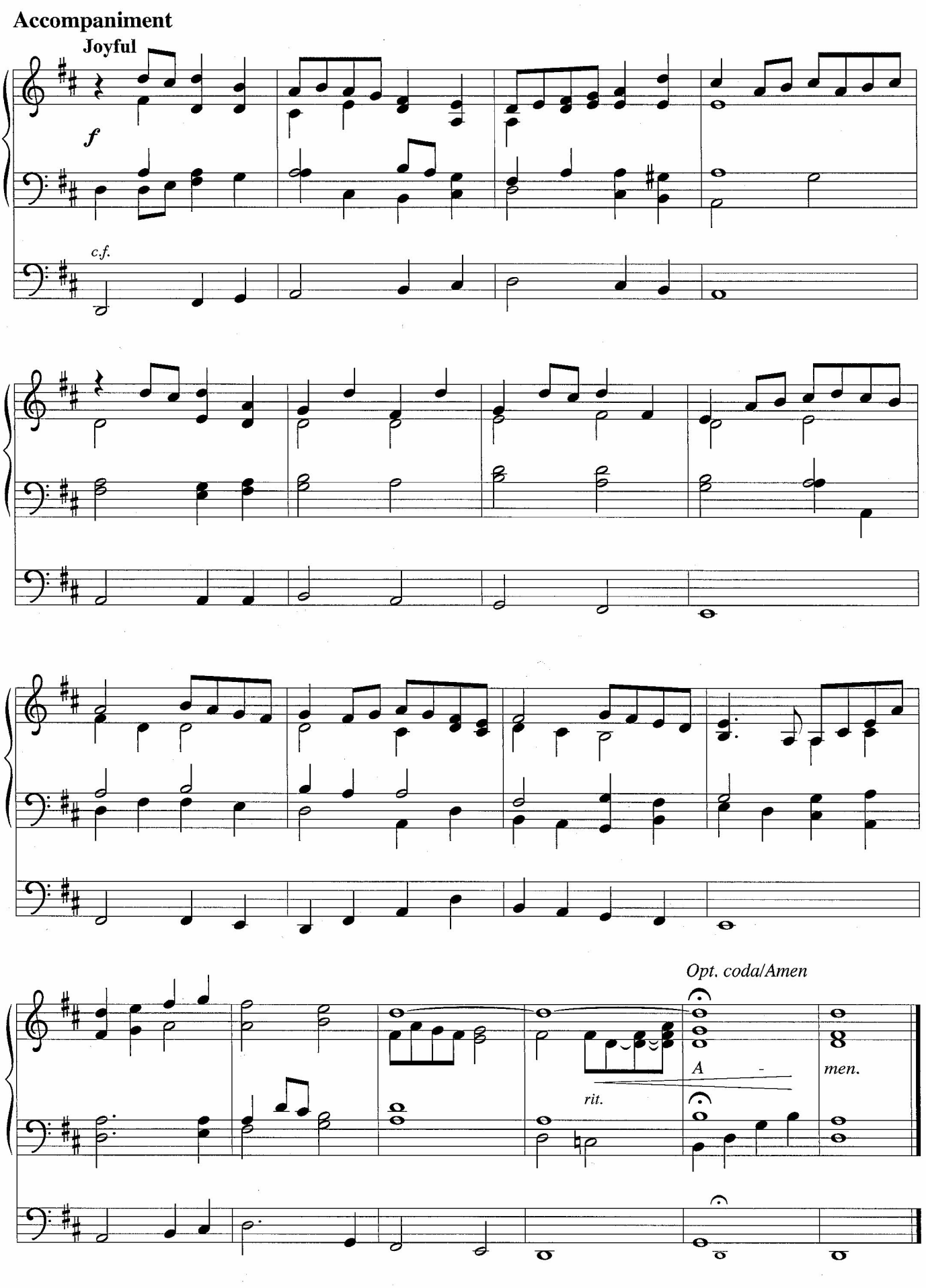

Accompaniment
Joyful
f
c.f.
Opt. coda/Amen
A - men.
rit.

83 DUKE STREET L.M.

JESUS SHALL REIGN

John Hatton

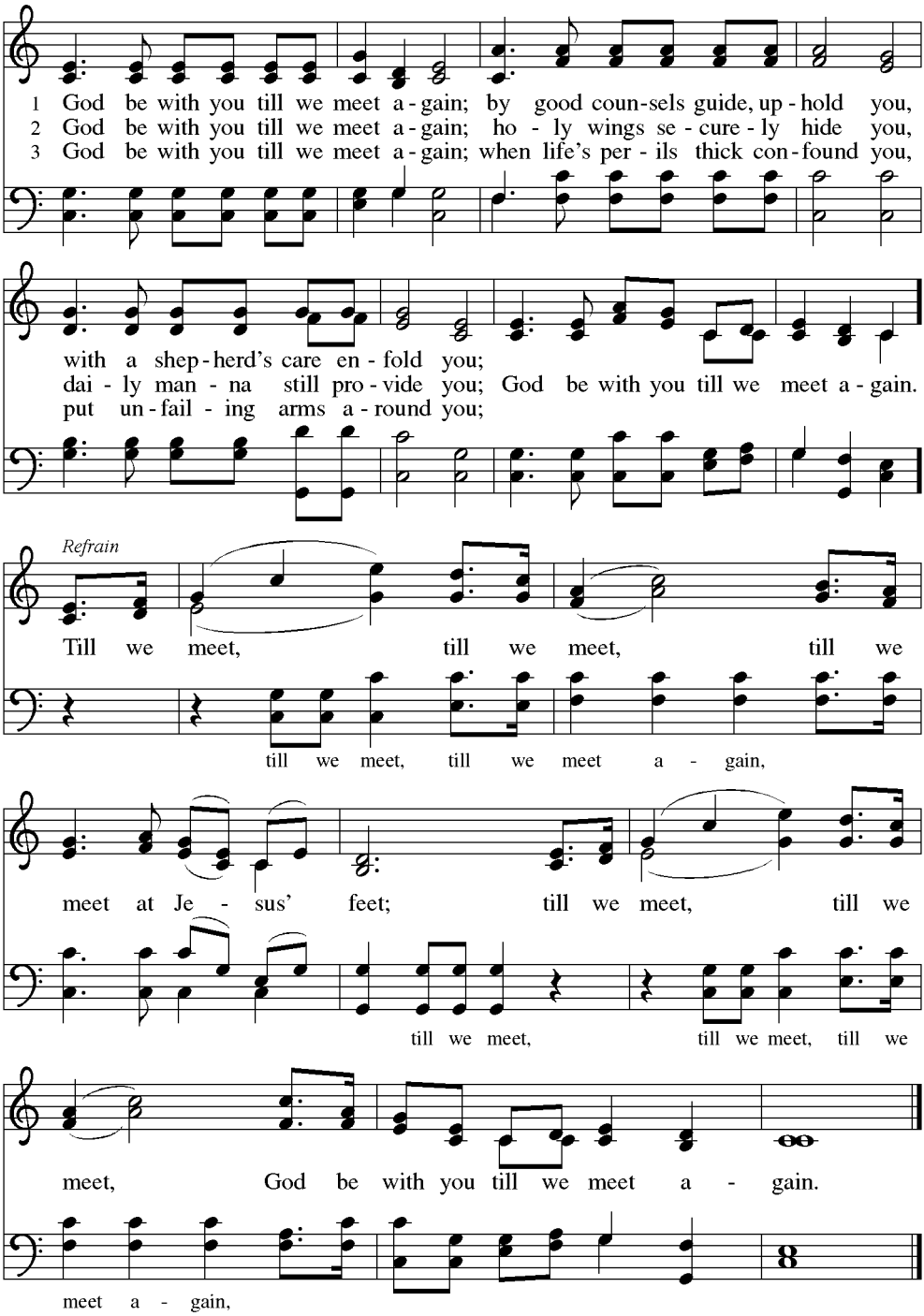
Very broad but not slow

V. 5

f

ff

God Be with You Till We Meet Again



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GOD BE WITH YOU

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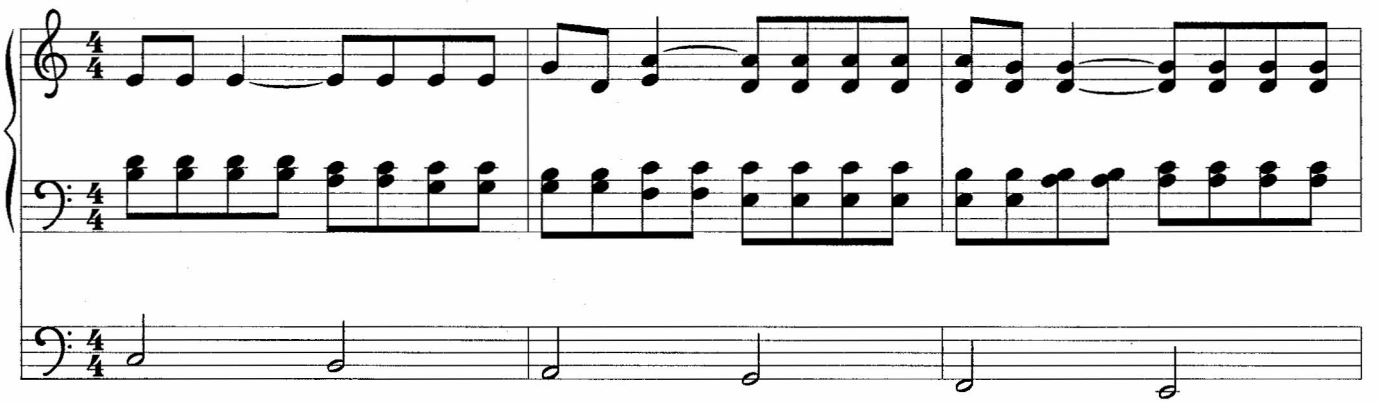

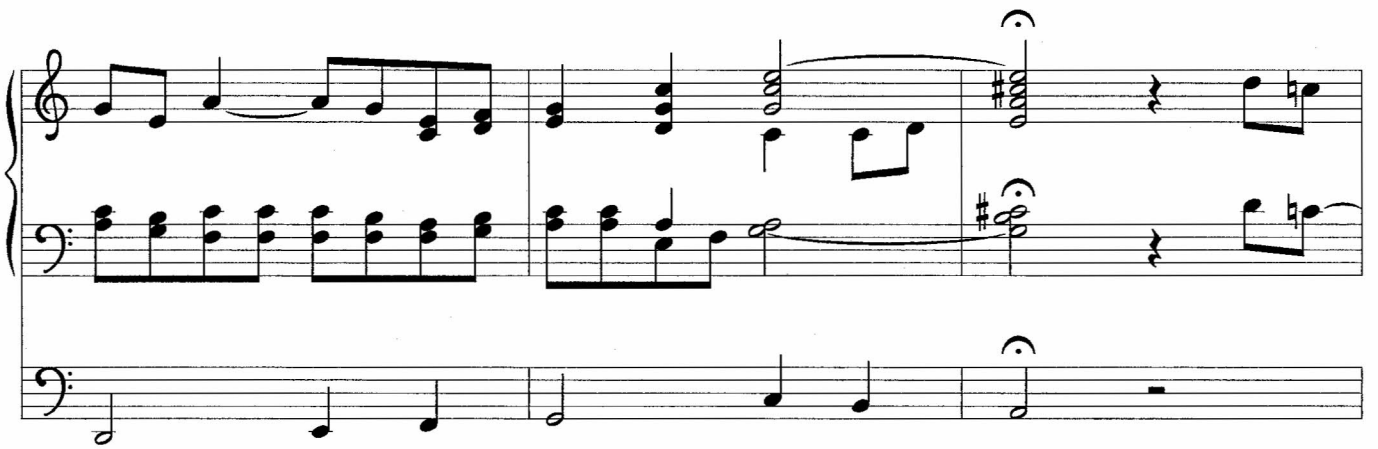

Adagio

a tempo

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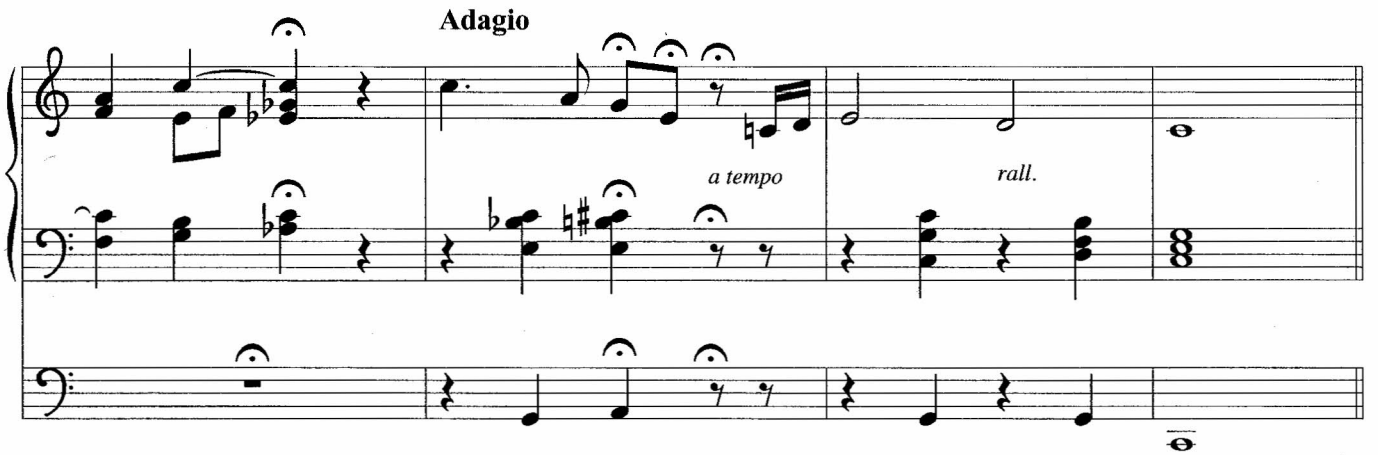

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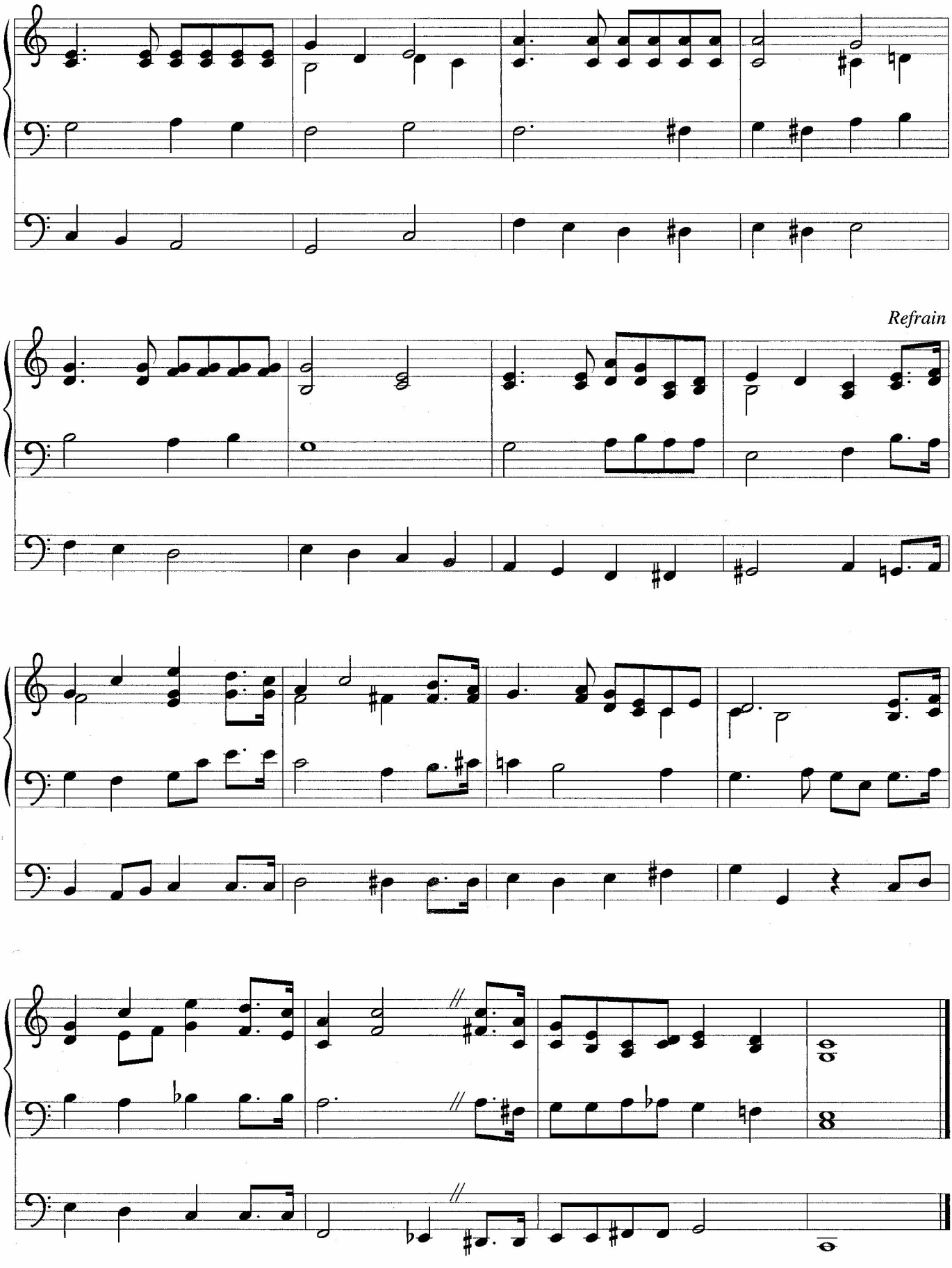

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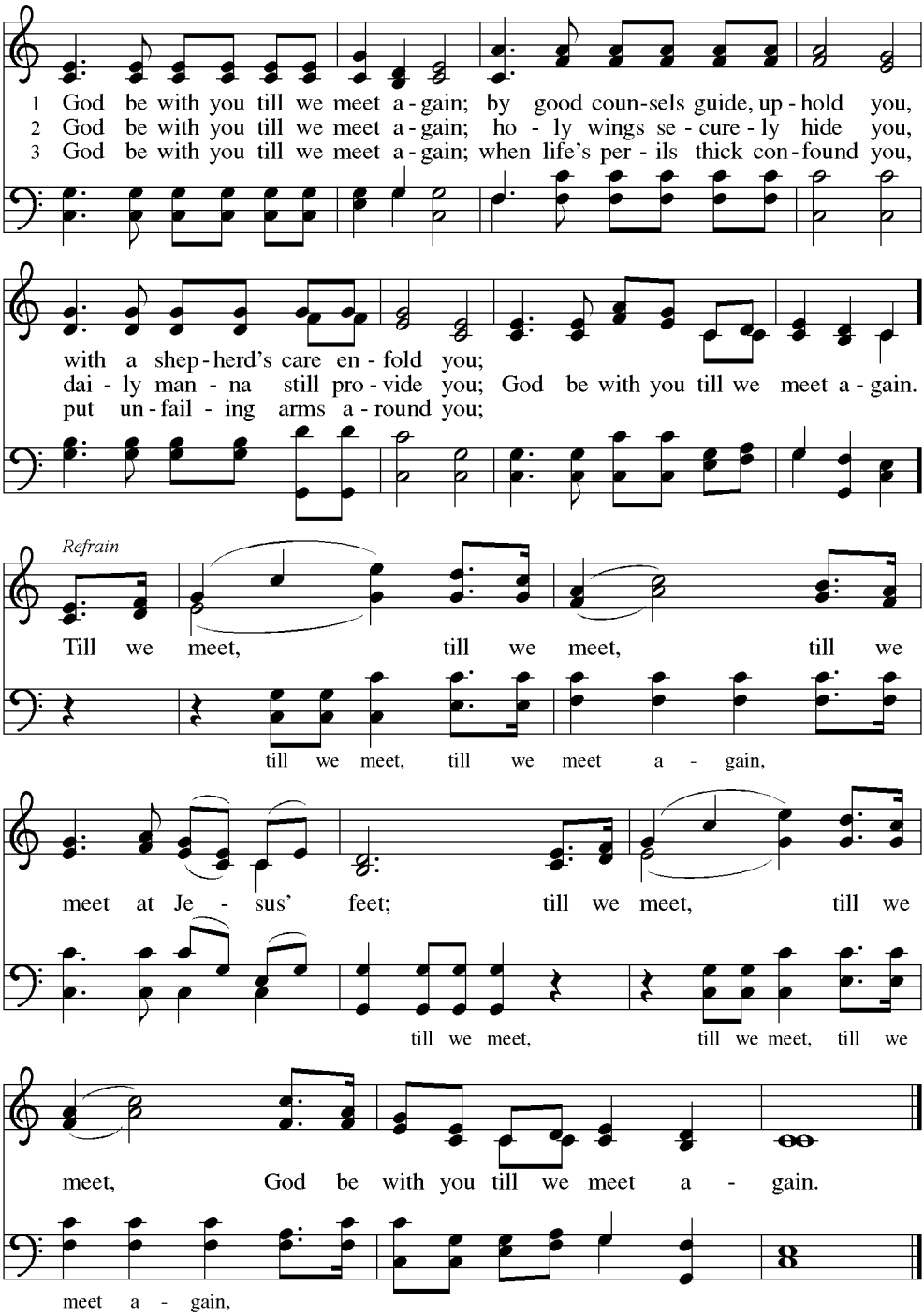

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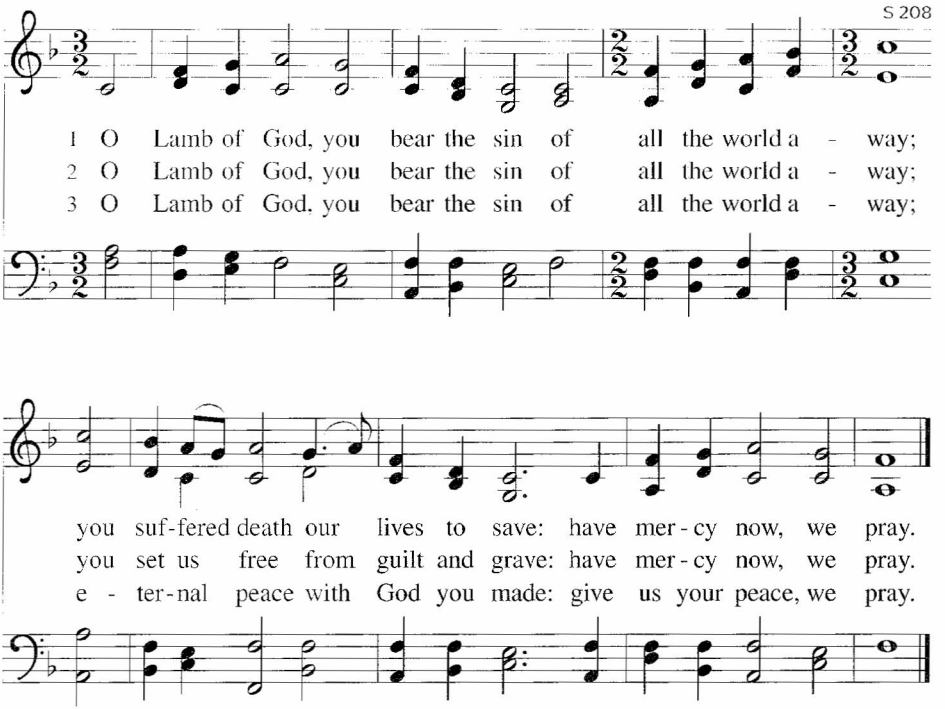
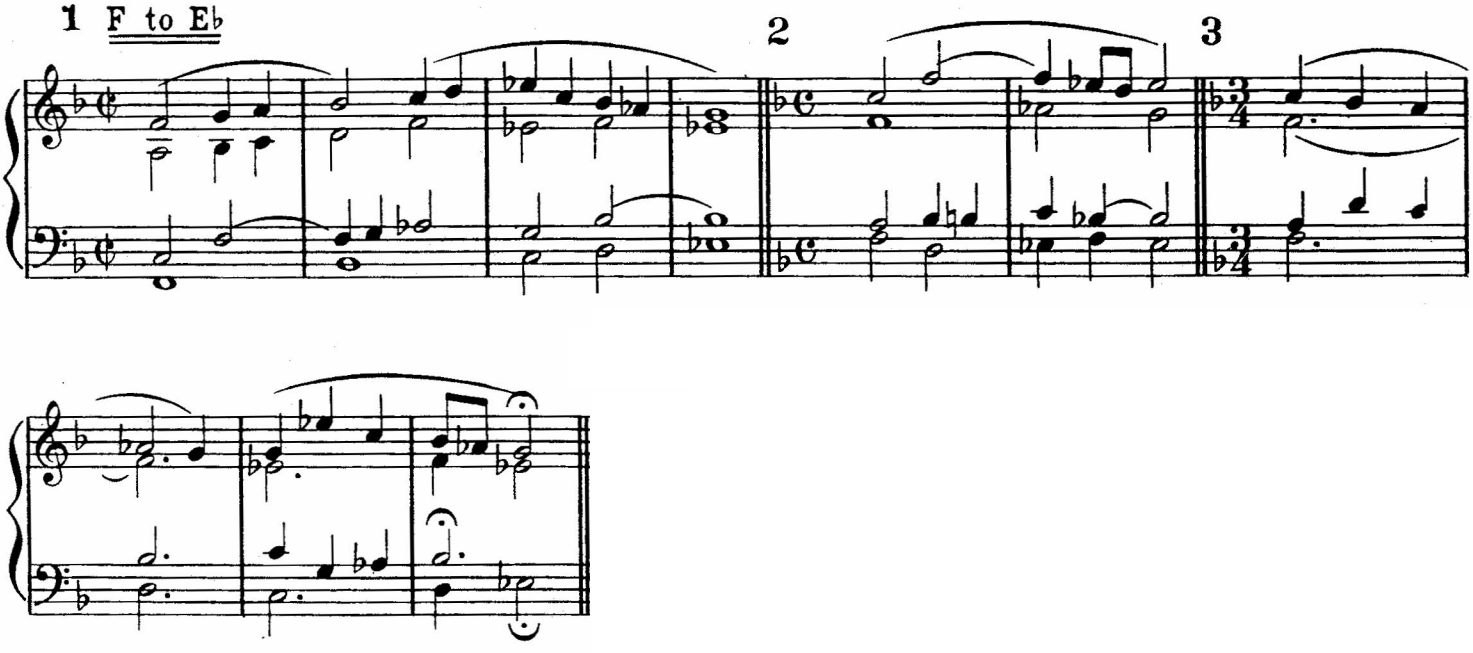
"Lamb of God" may be sung.



Assembly song and other music may accompany the communion.

After all have returned to their places, the assembly stands. "Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace" or another suitable song may be sung. (The songs at #313 and 440 are well suited to this setting.)

The presiding minister may say a table blessing, and the assembly responds **Amen.**


1 F to E♭
2
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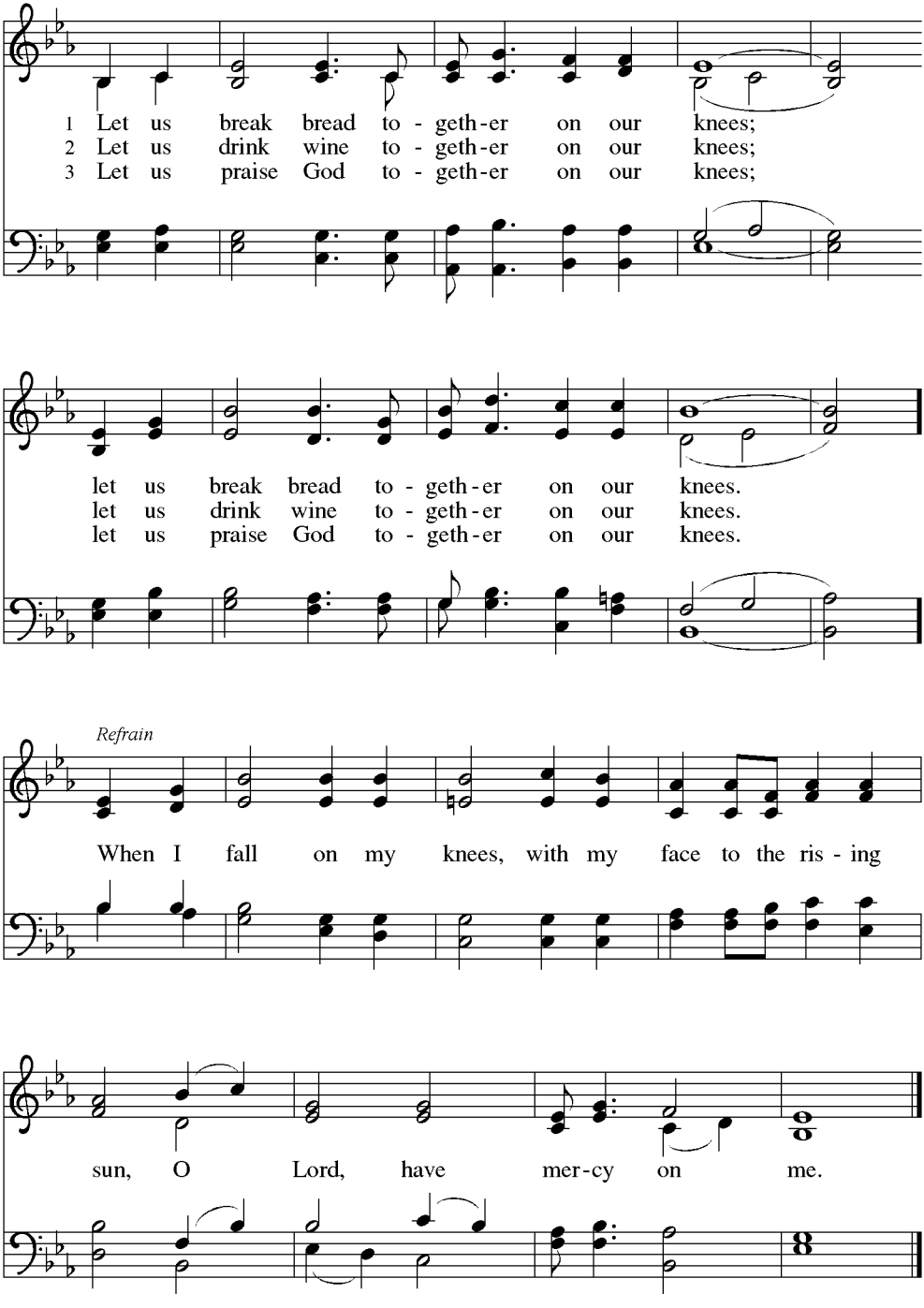
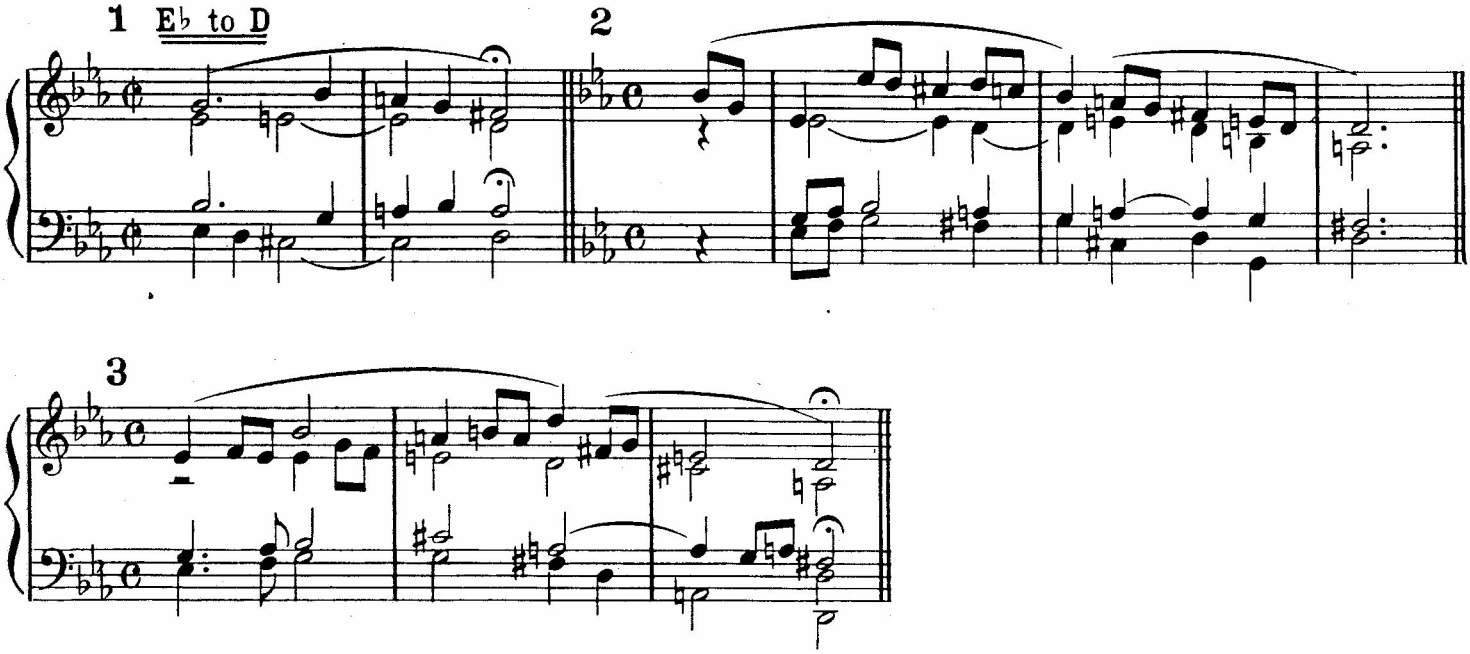
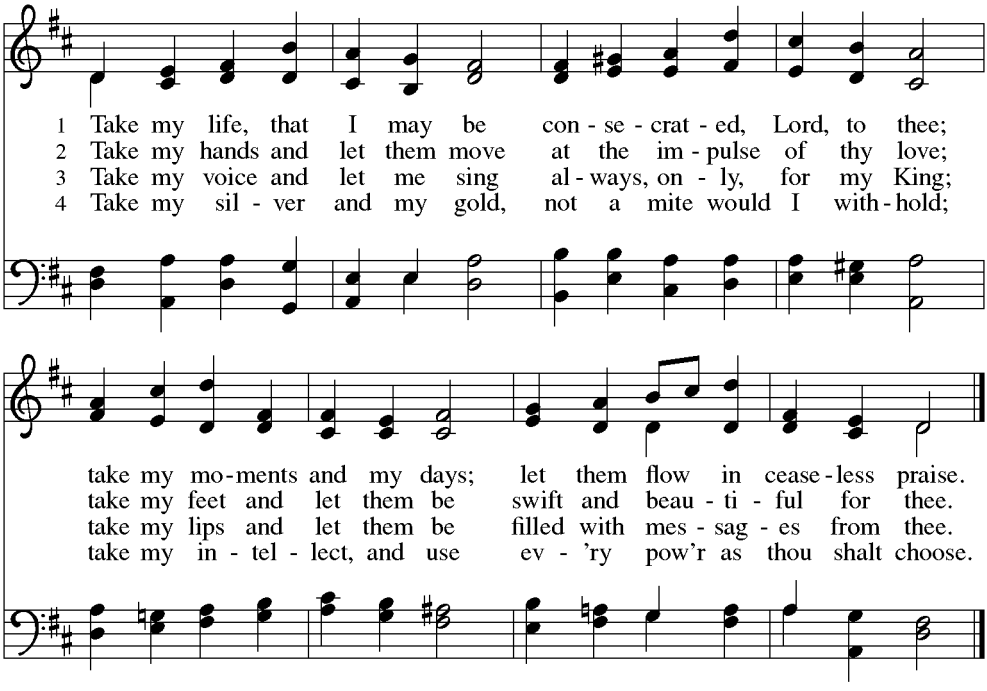
Let Us Break Bread Together



Text: African American spiritual
Music: BREAK BREAD TOGETHER, African American spiritual


1 E♭ to D
2
3

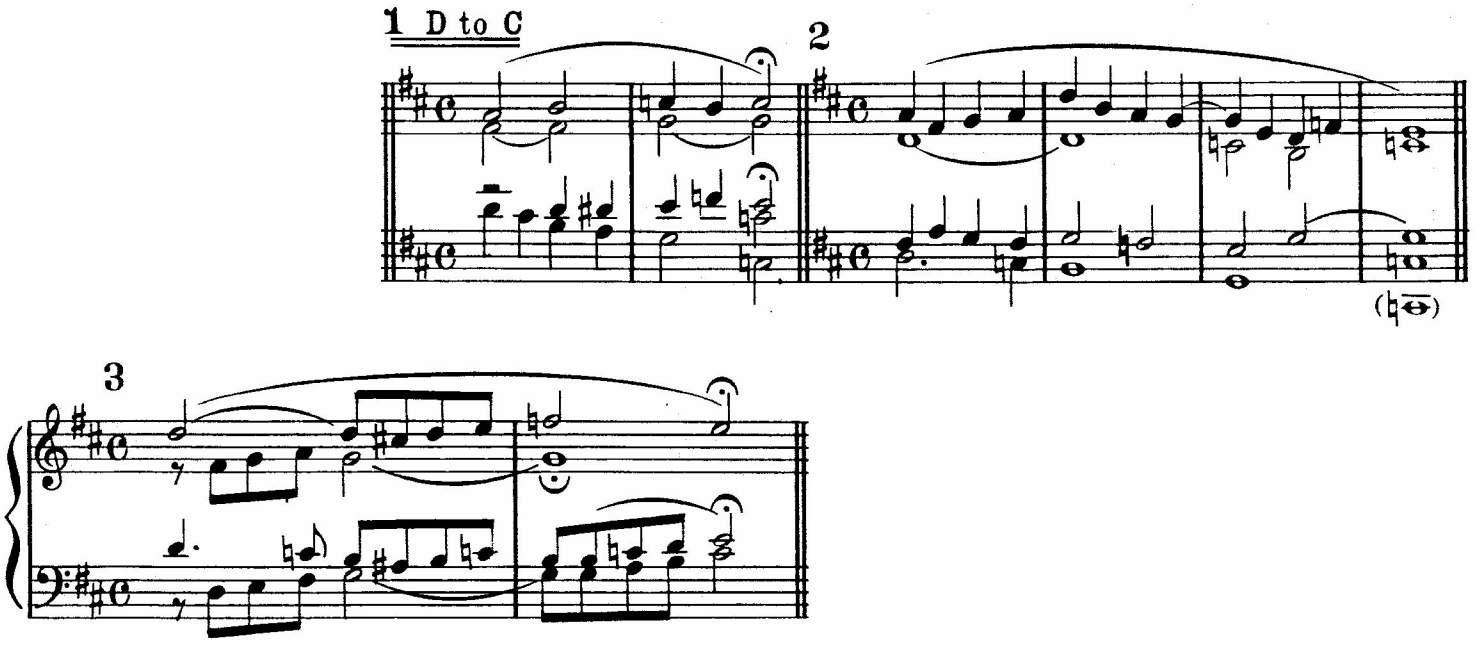
Take My Life, That I May Be



5 Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt.
Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870


1 D to C
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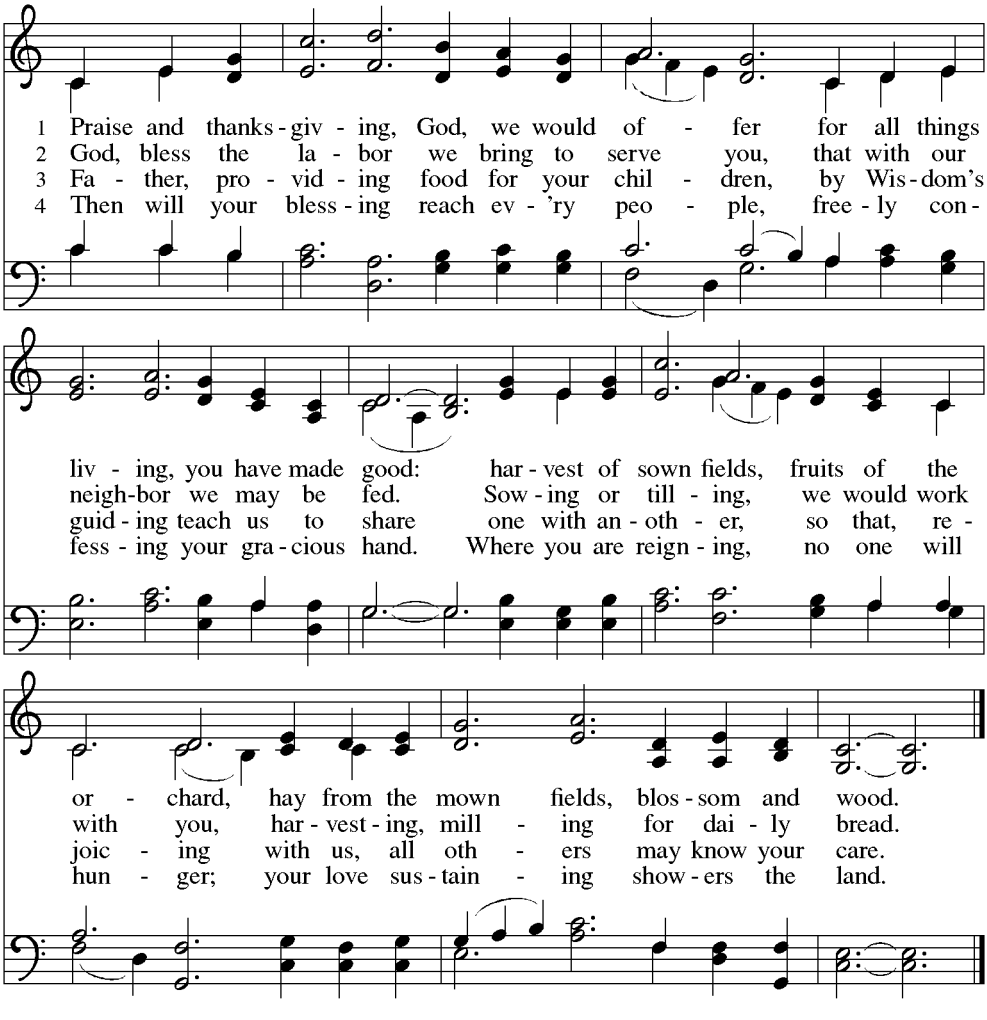
Praise and Thanksgiving



Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901–1984, alt.
Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune; arr. hymnal version
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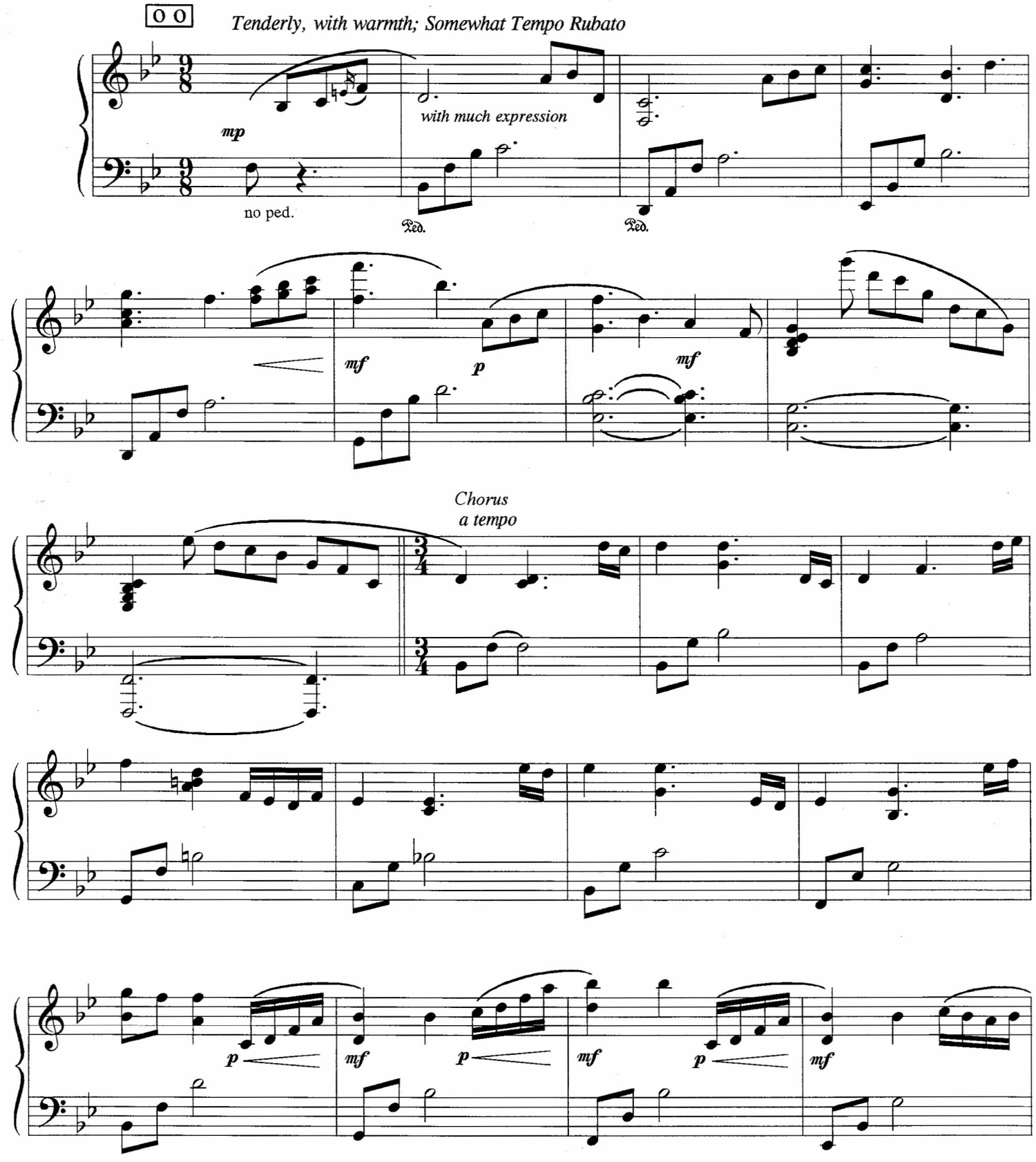
Spiritual Treasures

We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder

Arr. Jim Lucas
(ASCAP)

a purposeful treasure...



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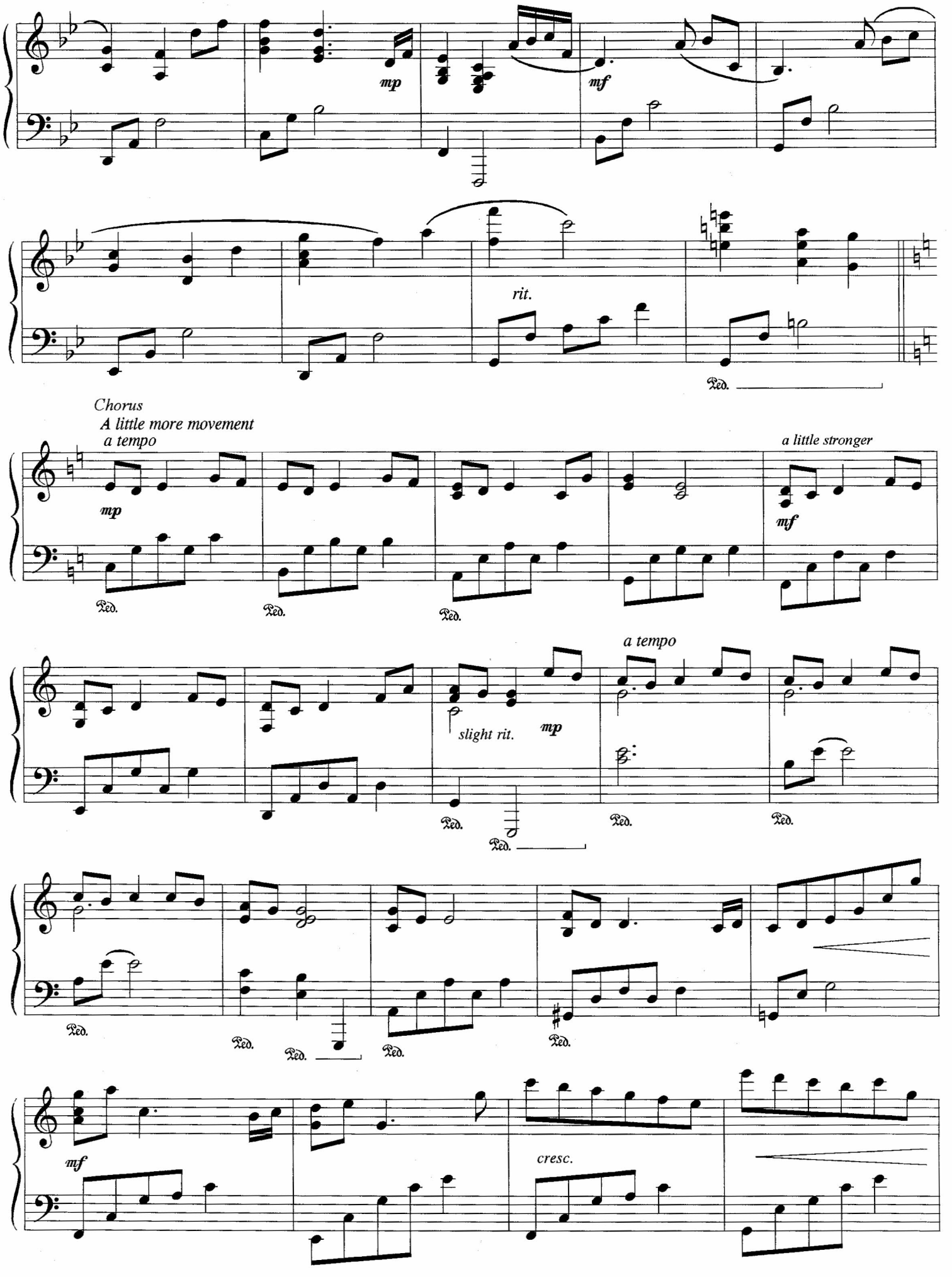
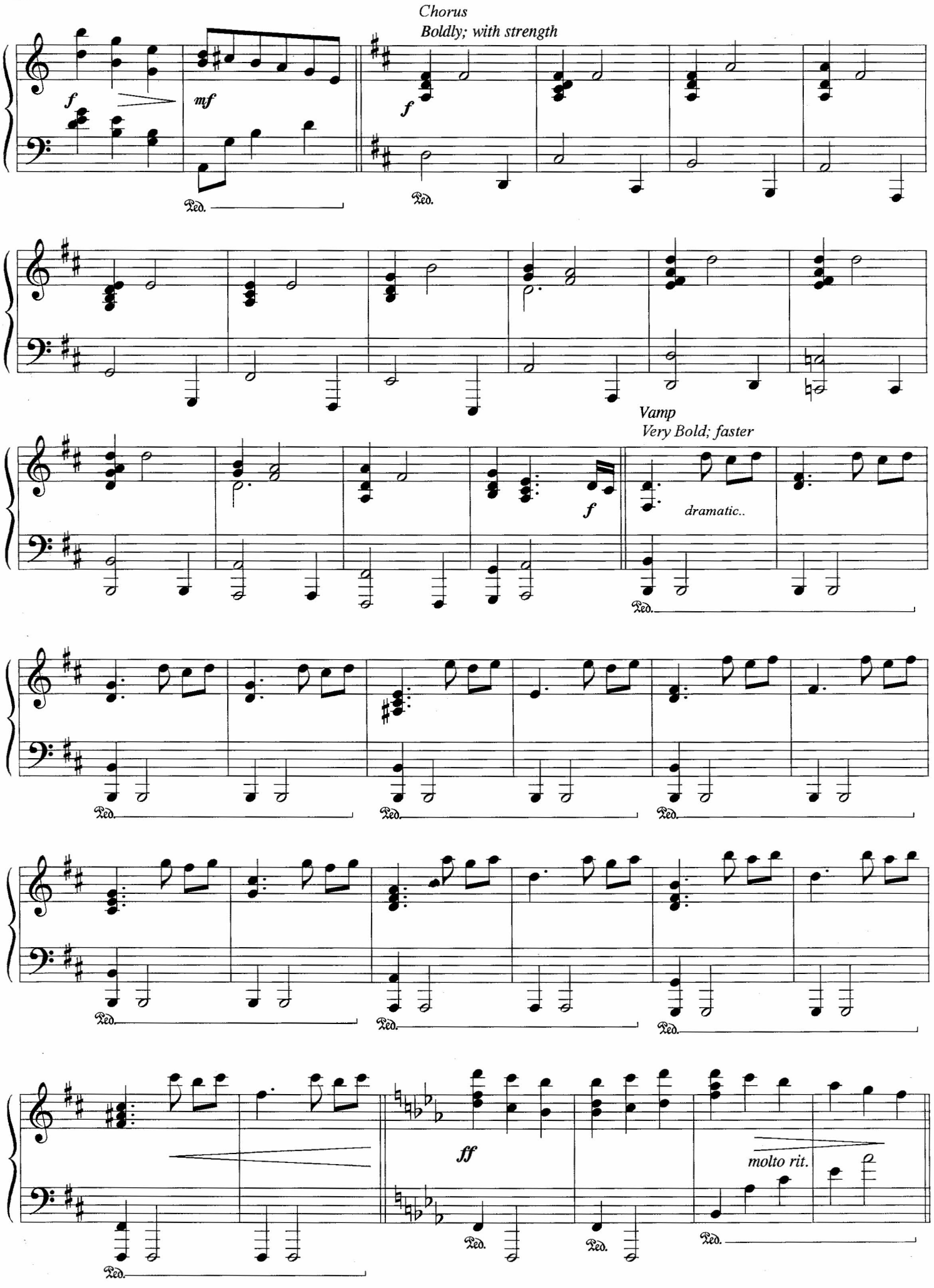
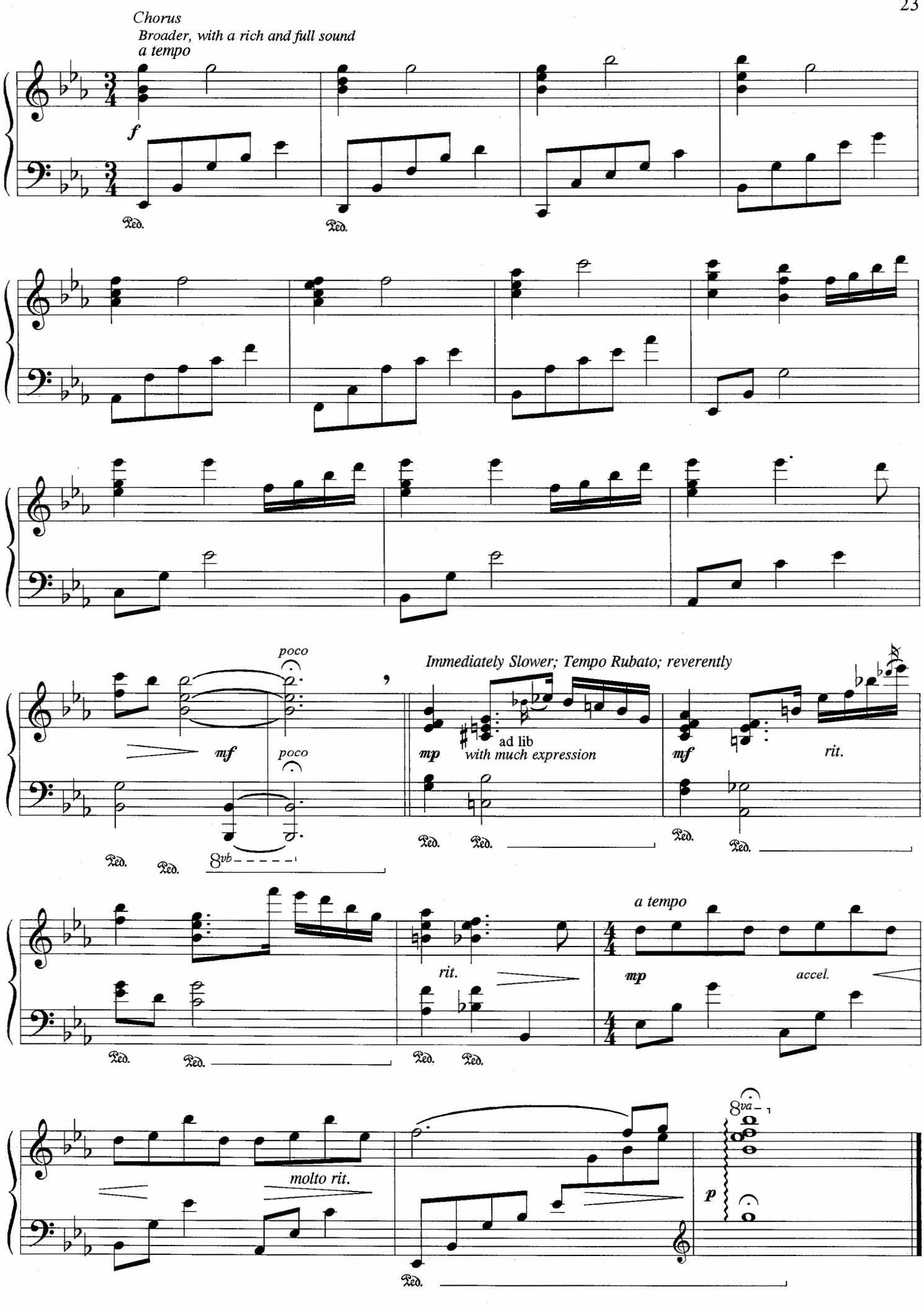

mp
mf
rit.
Ped.
Chorus
A little more movement
a tempo
mp
a little stronger
mf
a tempo
slight rit.
mp
mf
cresc.


Chorus
Boldly; with strength
f
mf
f
Ped.
Ped.
Vamp
Very Bold; faster
f
dramatic..
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
ff
molto rit.
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.


Chorus
Broader, with a rich and full sound
a tempo
f
Ped.
poco
mf
Immediately Slower; Tempo Rubato; reverently
mp
ad lib
with much expression
mf
rit.
8vb
a tempo
rit.
mp
accel.
molto rit.
8va
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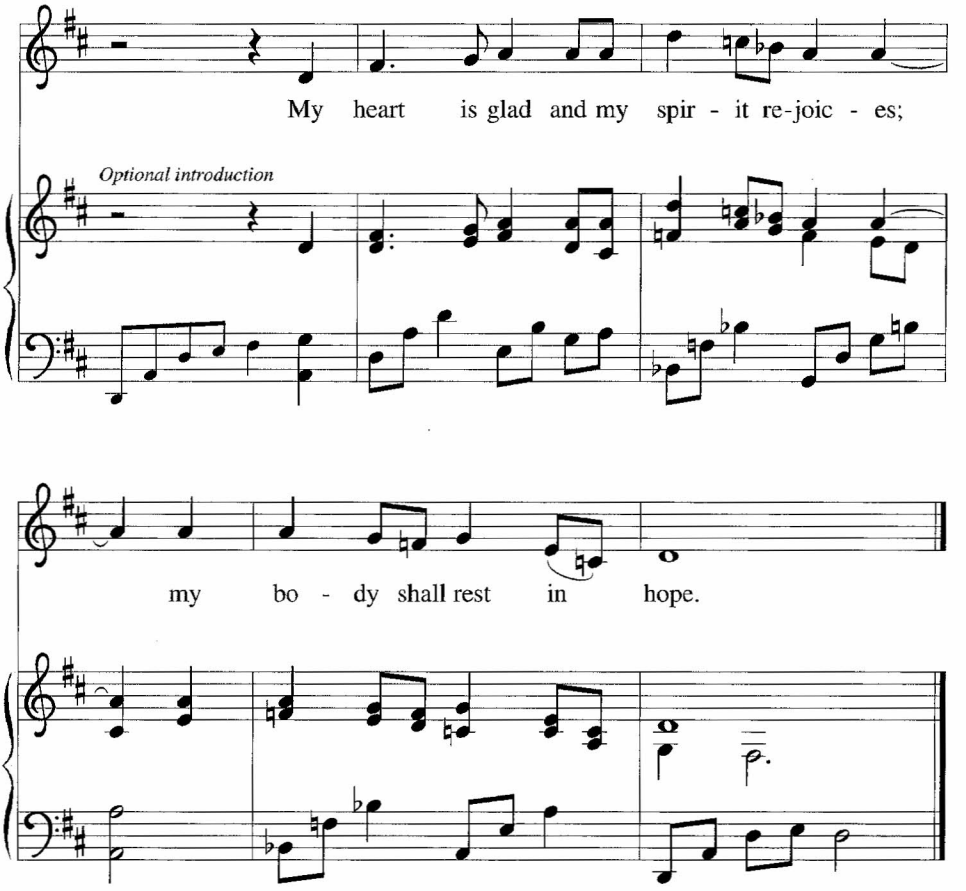
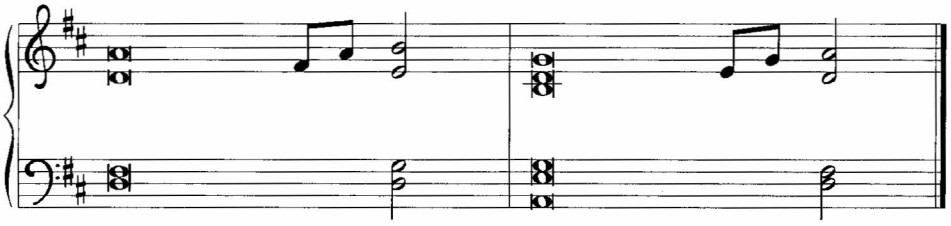
Refrain *William Beckstrand*





[1] Protect me, O God, for I take ref- | uge in you;
I have said to the LORD,
"You are my LORD, my good a- | bove all other."
[2] **All my delight is in the godly that are | in the land,**
upon those who are noble a- | mong the people.

[3] But those who run after | other gods
shall have their troubles | multiplied.
[4] **I will not pour out drink offerings | to such gods,**
never take their names up- | on my lips. R

[5] O LORD, you are my portion | and my cup;
it is you who up- | hold my lot.
[6] **My boundaries enclose a | pleasant land;**
indeed, I have a | rich inheritance.

[7] I will bless the LORD who | gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me night | after night.
[8] **I have set the LORD al- | ways before me;**
because God is at my right hand, I shall | not be shaken. R

[9] My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spir- | it rejoices;
my body also shall | rest in hope.
[10] **For you will not abandon me | to the grave,**
nor let your holy one | see the pit.

[11] You will show me the | path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore. **R**