4th Sunday in Advent December 20, 2015

PRELUDE: *Come, Savior of the Gentiles* Johann Pachelbel

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PRAYER OF THE DAY: Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that binds us, that we may receive you in joy and serve you always, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Special Music: FLC Choir

1ST READING Micah 5:2-5a

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"Glory to you, O Lord"

GOSPEL Luke 1:39-45

"Praise to you, O Christ"

SERMON:

Hymn of the Day: *"There's a Voice in the Wilderness"* Hymn #255

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Prayers of the People

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN *"Fling Wide the Door"* Hymn #259

Pastor: Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God

POSTLUDE: *"Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying"* Thomas Chesterton

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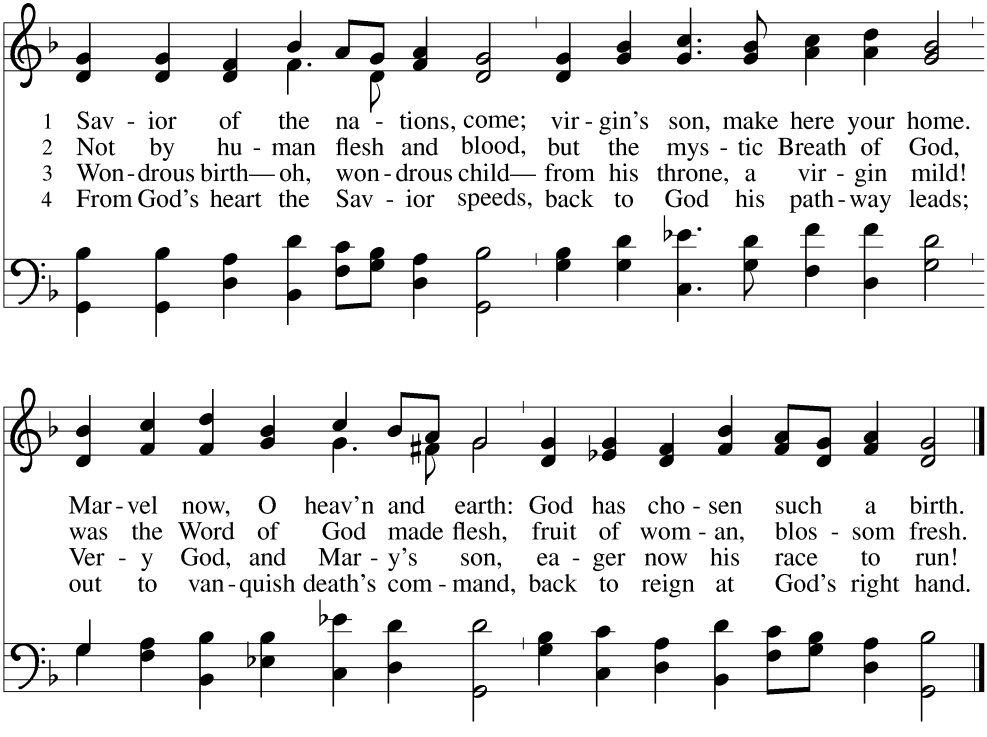
Savior of the Nations, Come



5 Now your manger, shining bright,
hallows night with newborn light.
Night cannot this light subdue;
let our faith shine ever new.

6 Praise we sing to Christ the Lord,
virgin's son, incarnate Word!
To the holy Trinity
praise we sing eternally!

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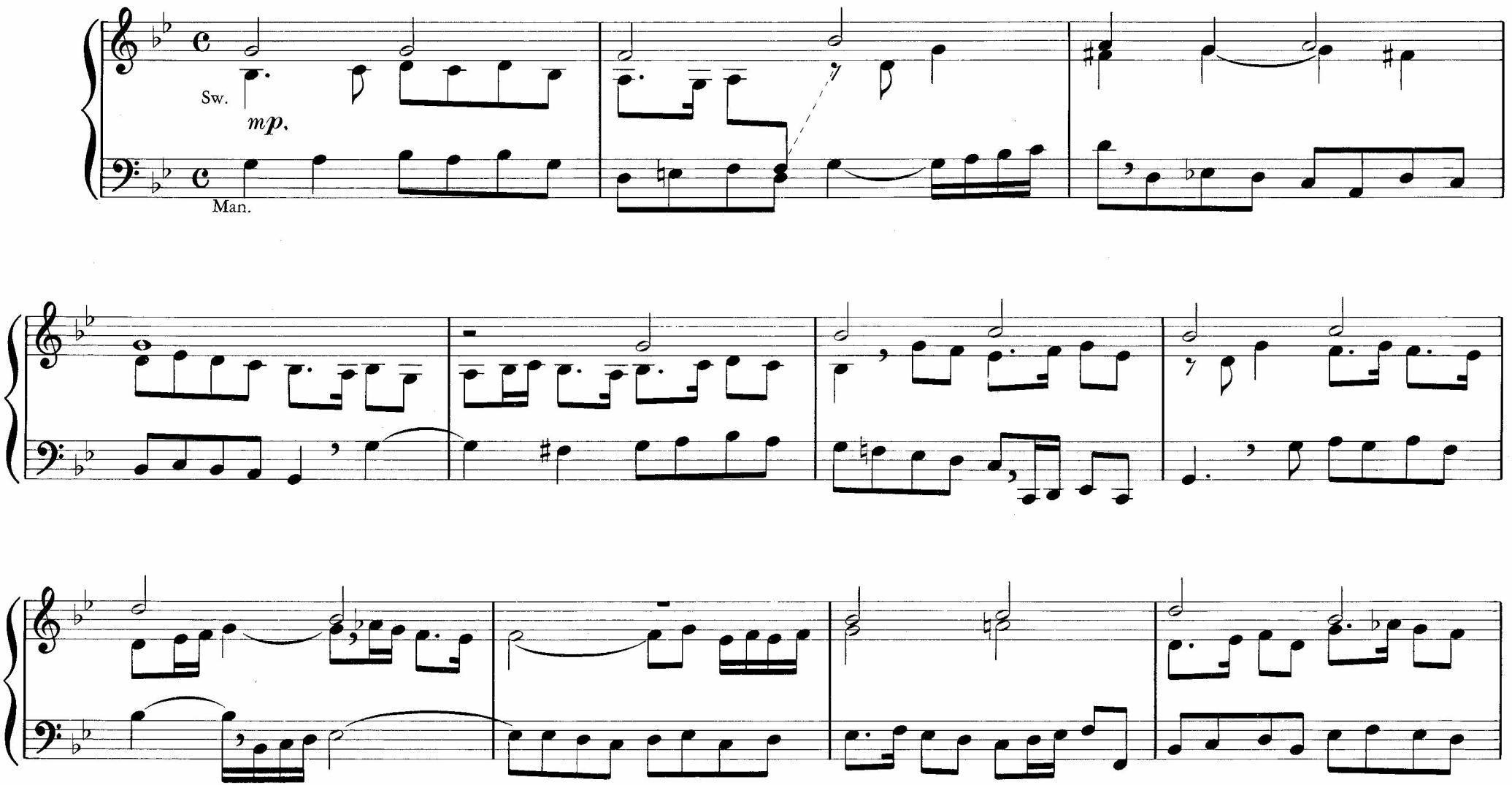
Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland

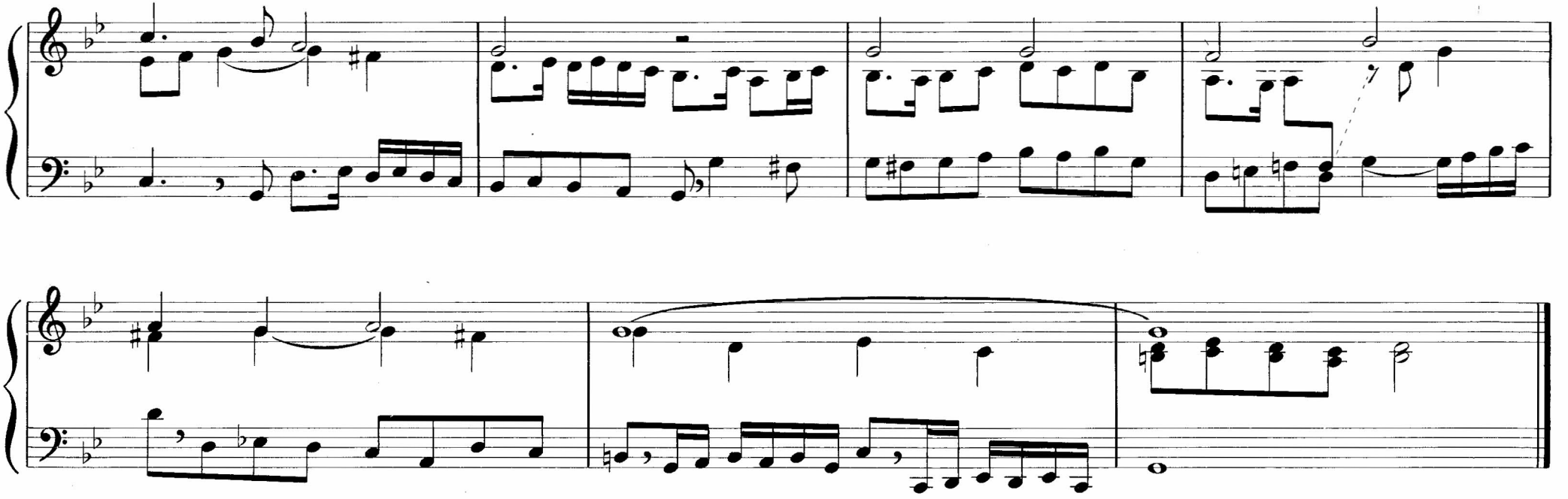
59. Savior of the Nations, Come

Swell:
Oboe 8′
Principal 4′

JOHANN HEINRICH BUTTSTEDT

Andante cantabile





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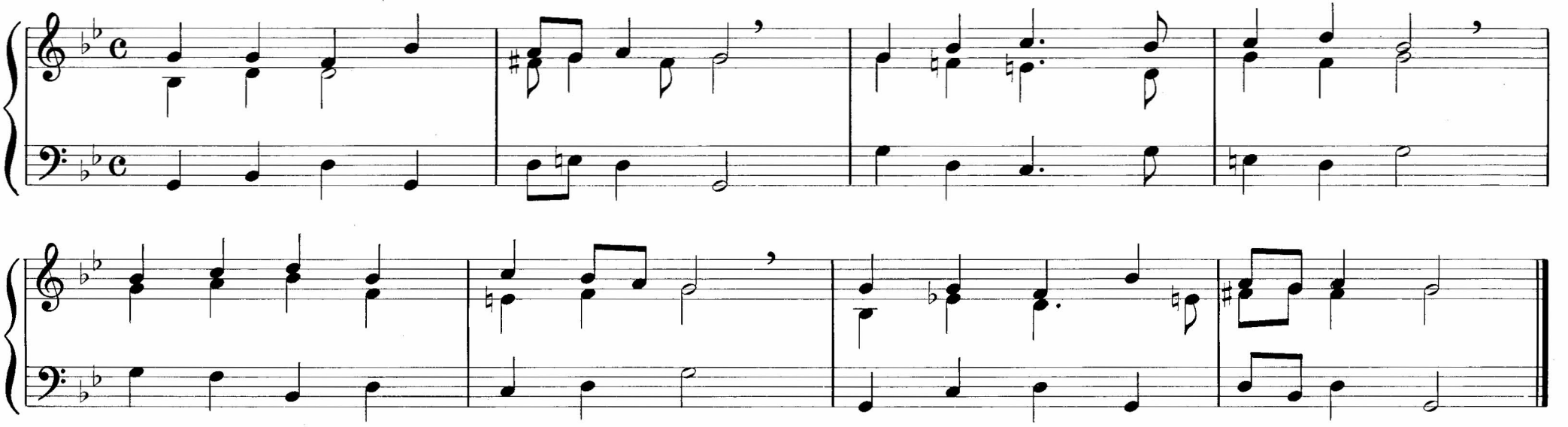

Come, Savior of the Gentiles

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Johann Pachelbel
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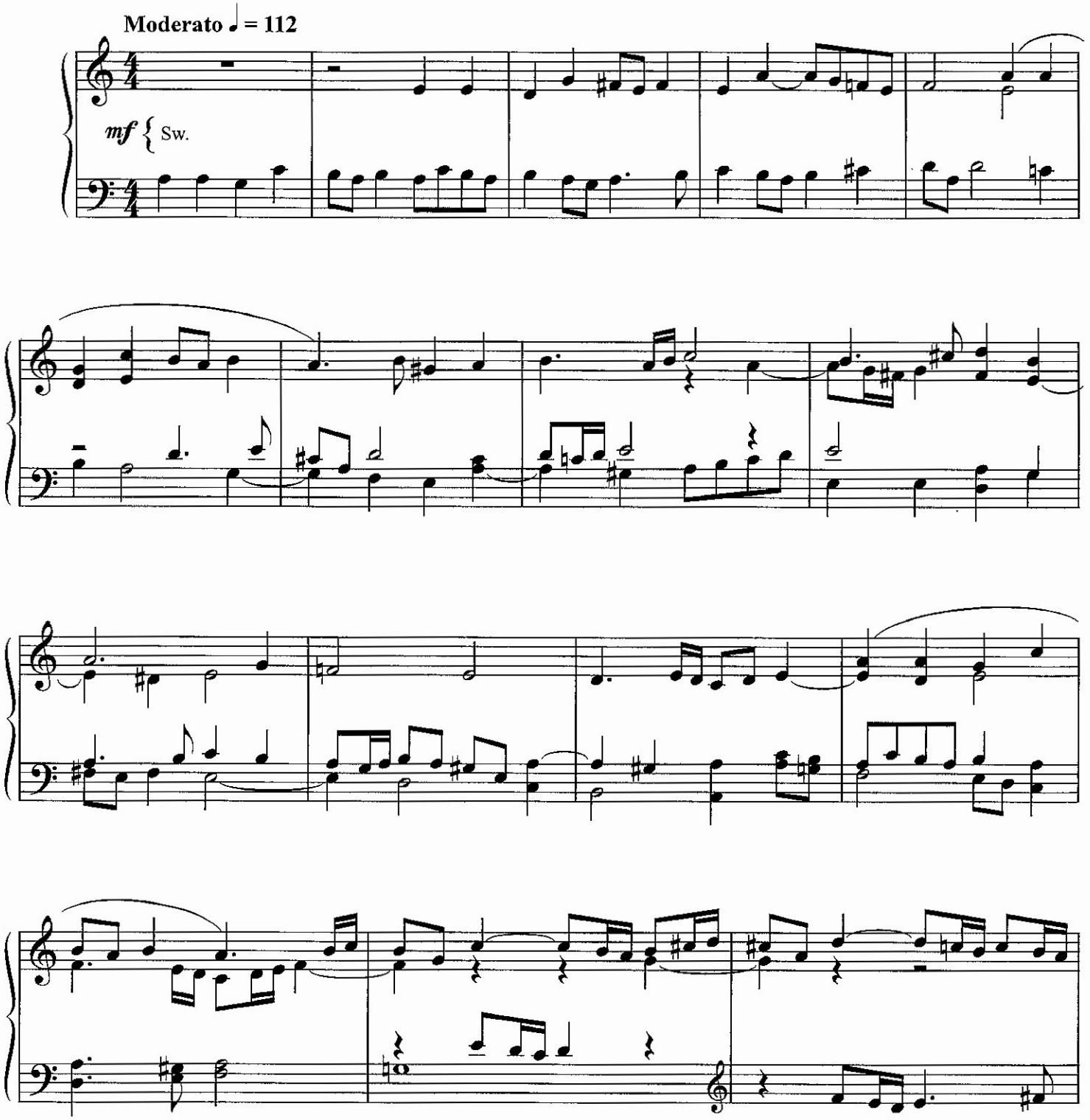

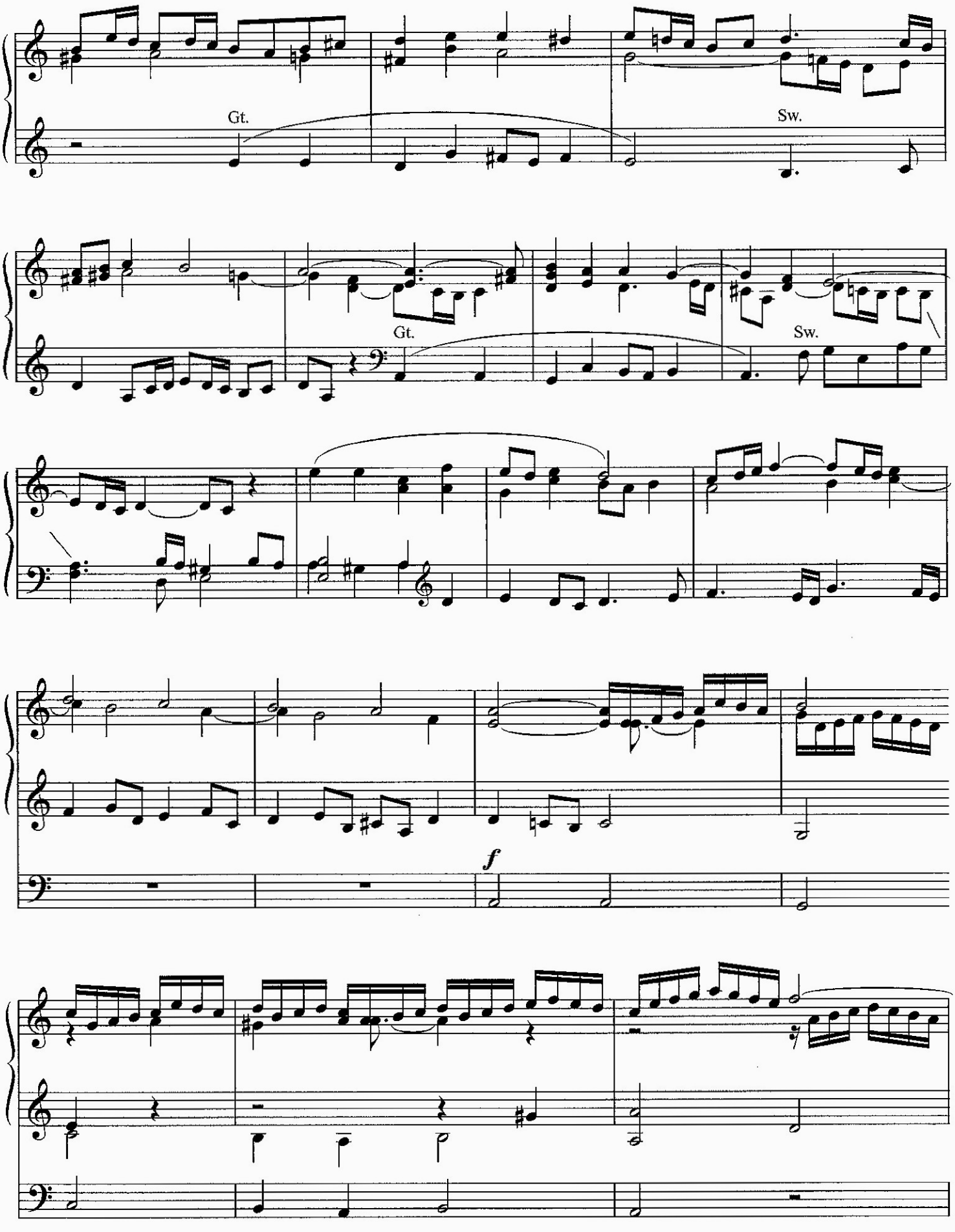
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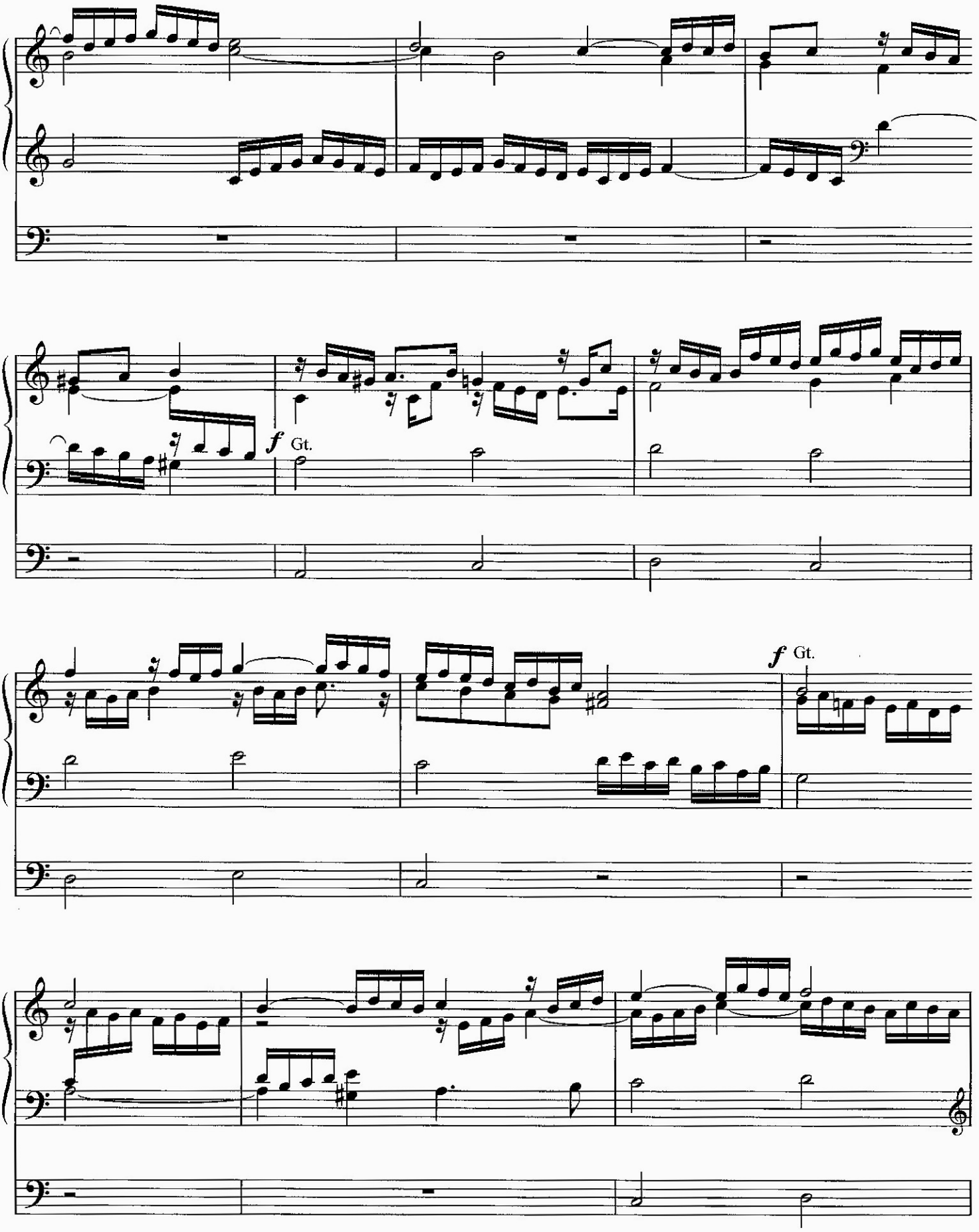
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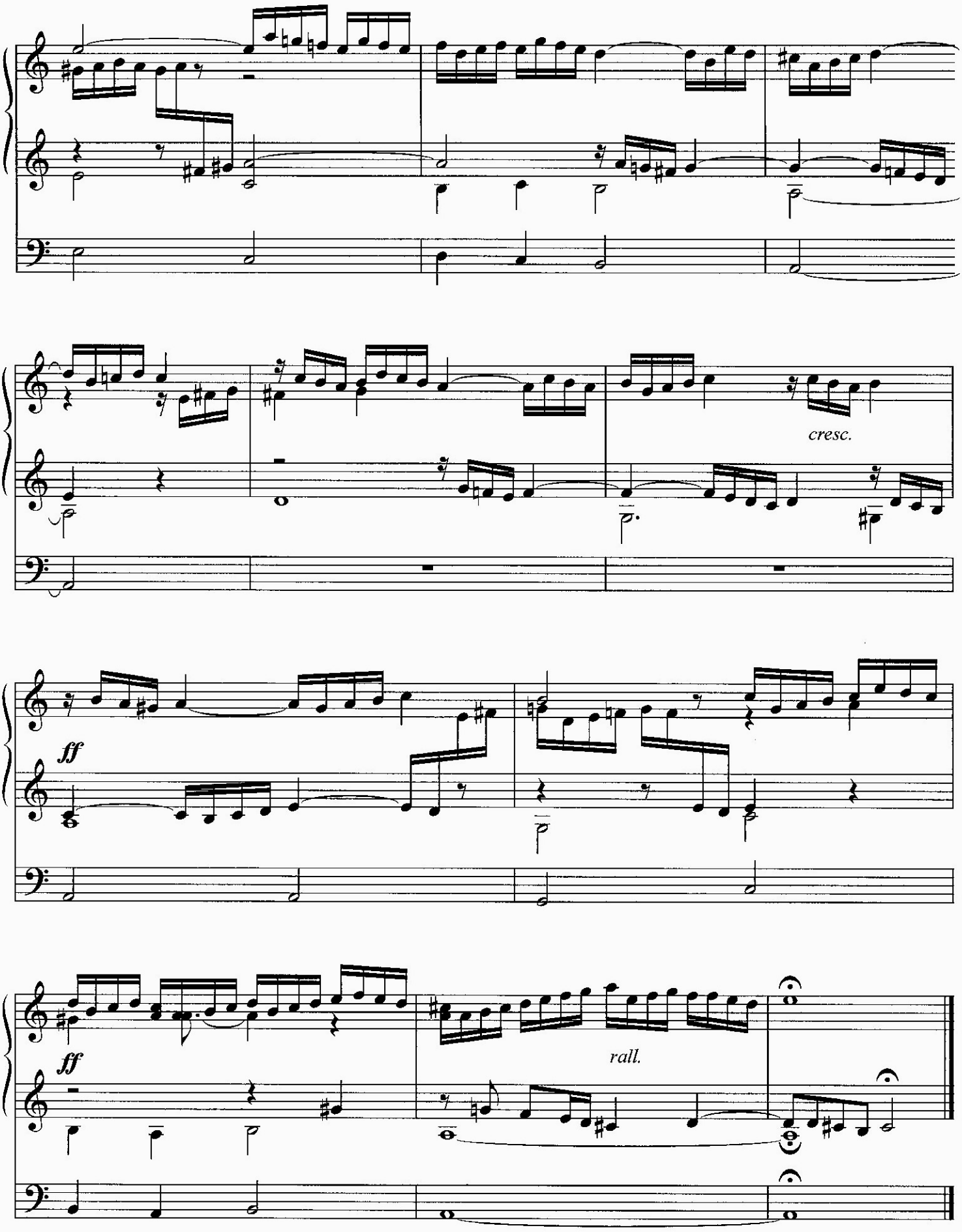
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Confession
and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father,
and of the + Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Pastor: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone.
Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin,
receive your forgiveness,
and grow into the fullness
of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Pastor:
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

The assembly kneels or stands. Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.
We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with
our whole heart; we have not loved
our neighbors as ourselves.
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God,
Jesus Christ was given to die for us,
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.
As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority,
I therefore declare to you
the entire forgiveness of all your sins,
in the name of the Father,
and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Prepare the Royal Highway

BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN

Introduction

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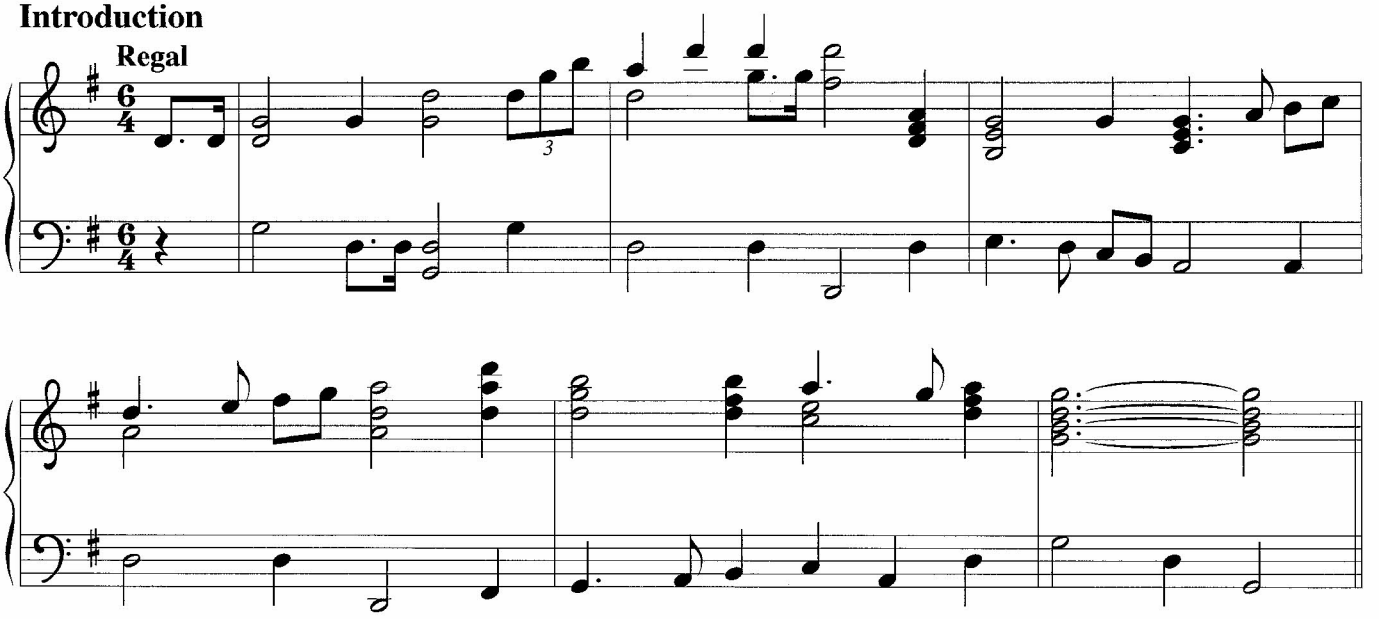

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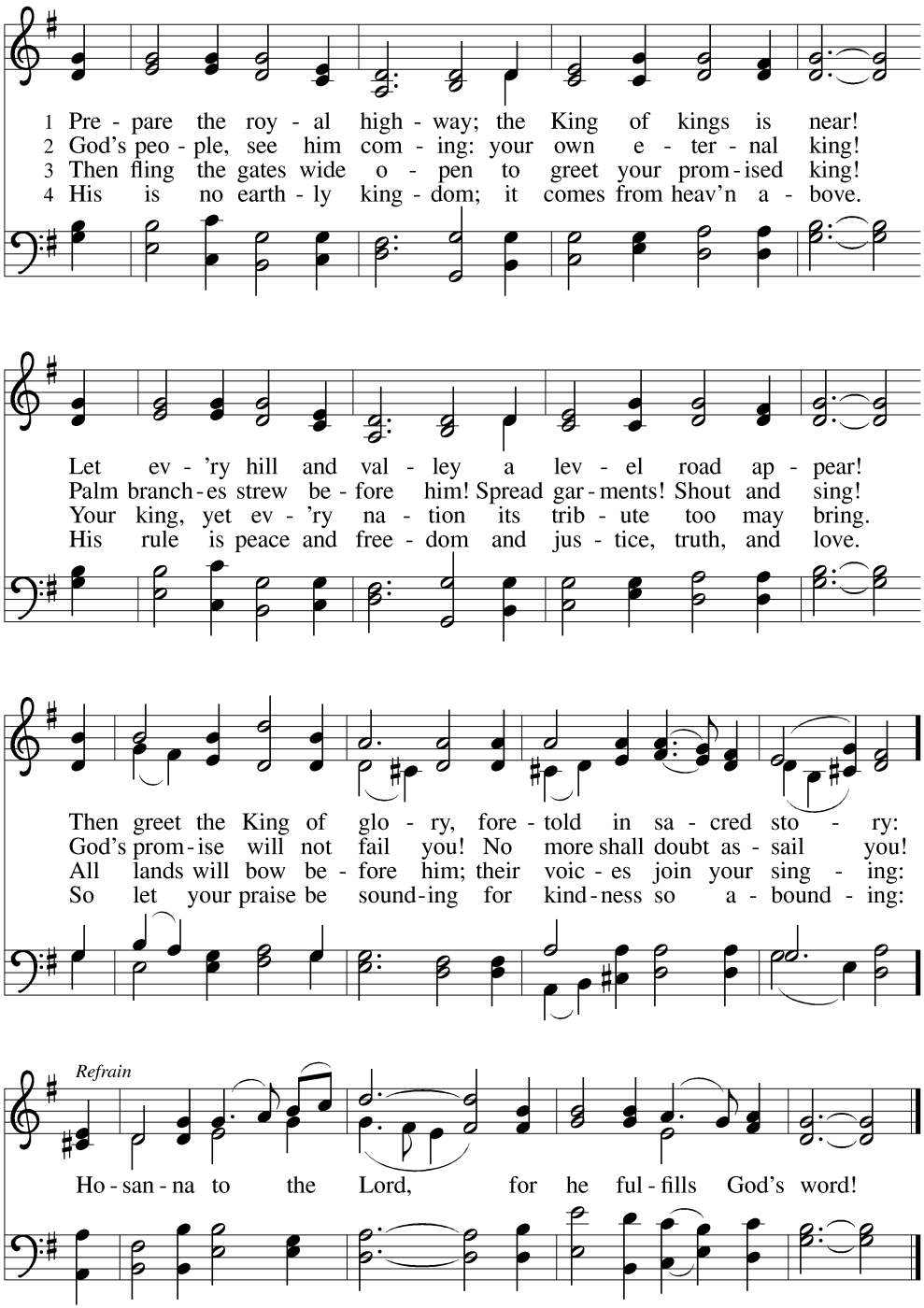

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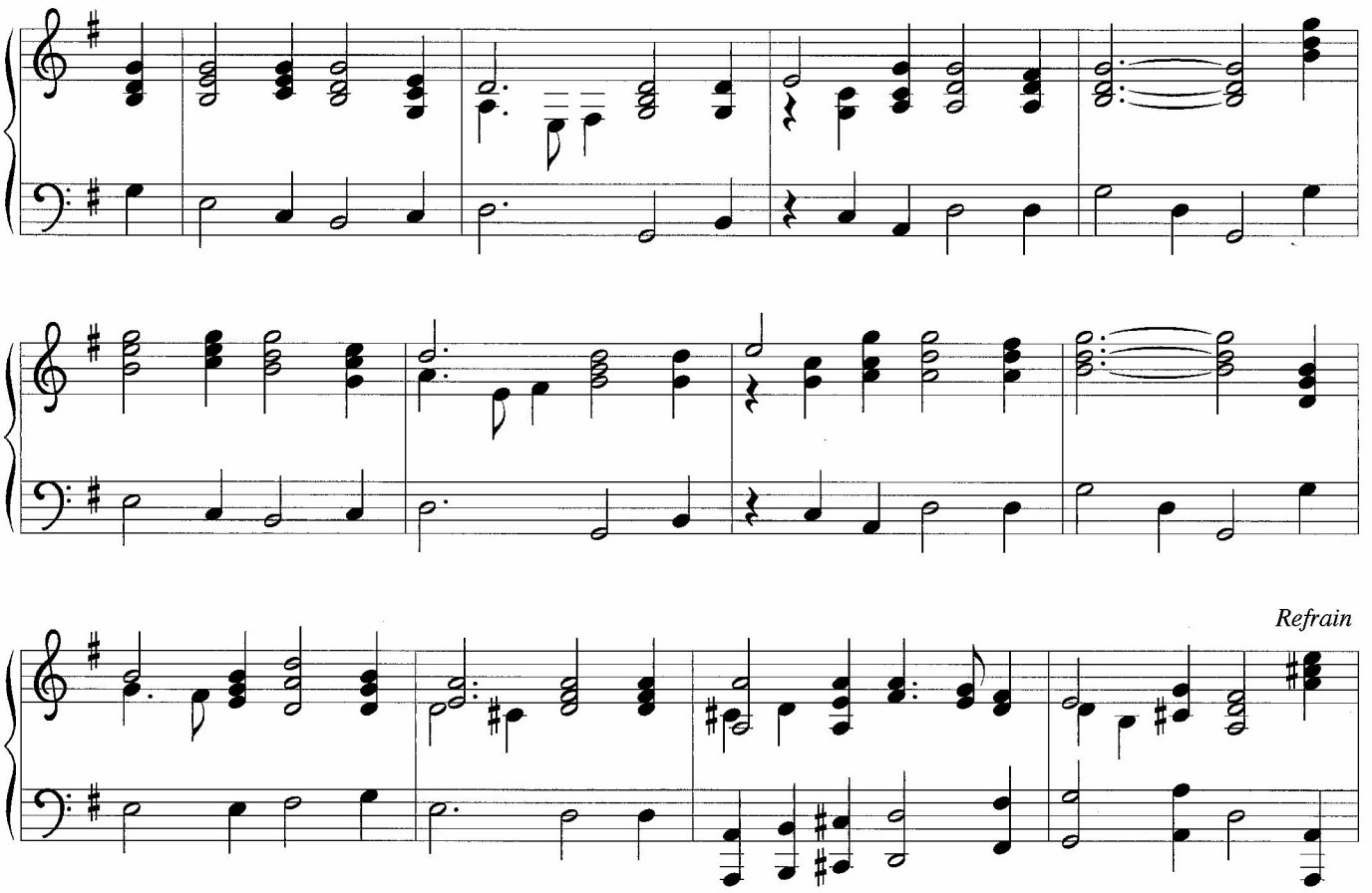

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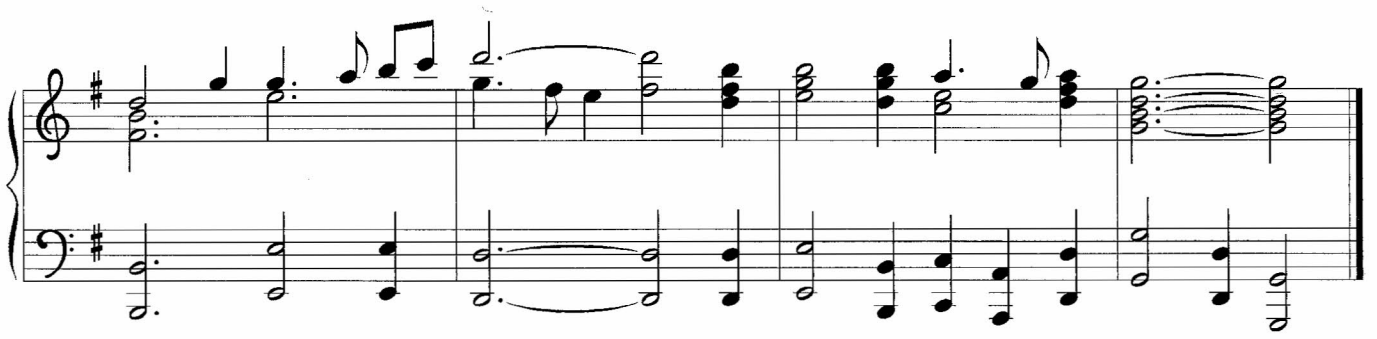


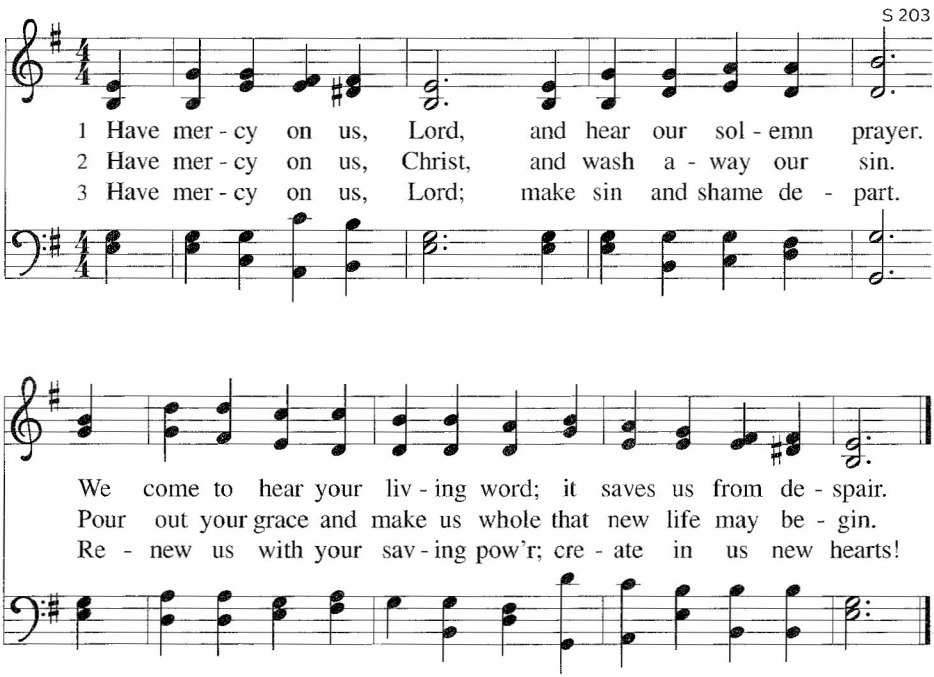
Gathering Song

The time of gathering song may be brief or extended, and may include one or more of the following: hymns, psalms; a Kyrie; a canticle of praise.

During this time, the presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

A Kyrie may be sung.



One of the following or another canticle of praise may be sung.

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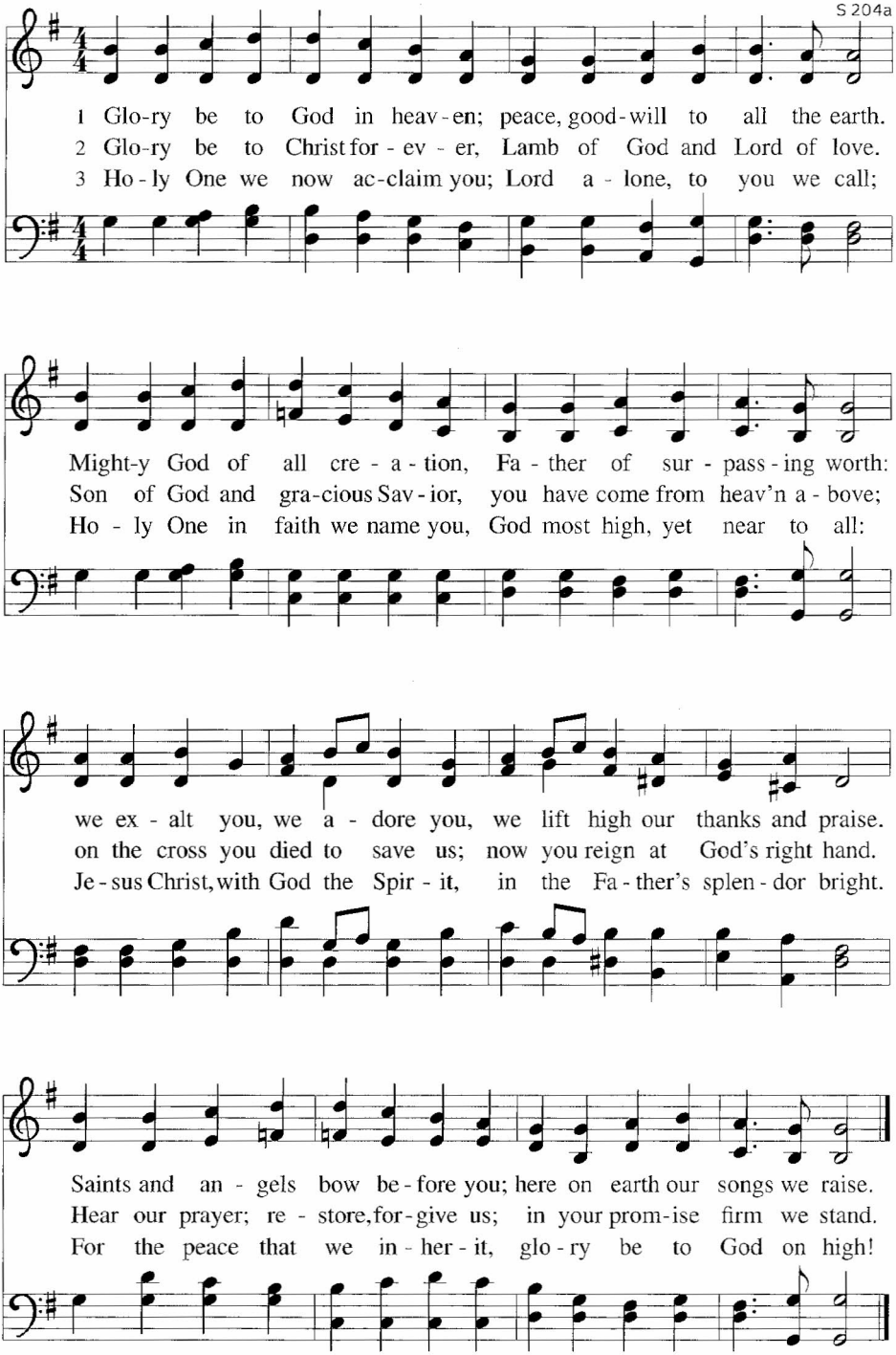


PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that binds us, that we may receive you in joy and serve you always, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Special Music: FLC Choir

First Reading:

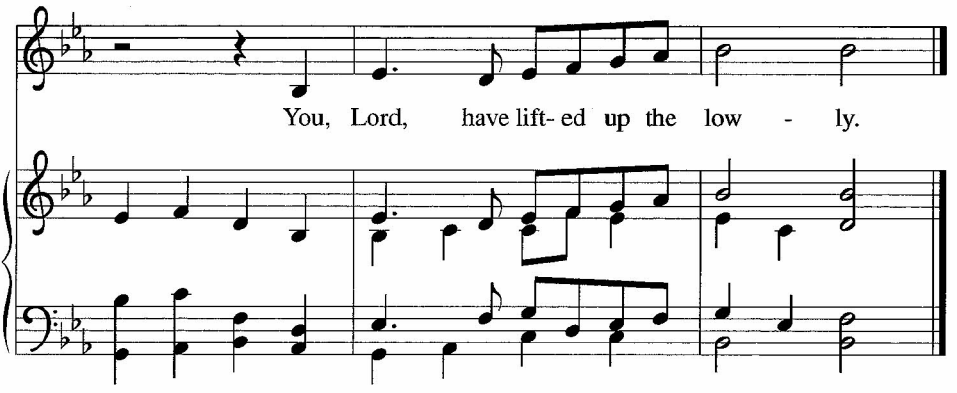
Micah 5:2-5a

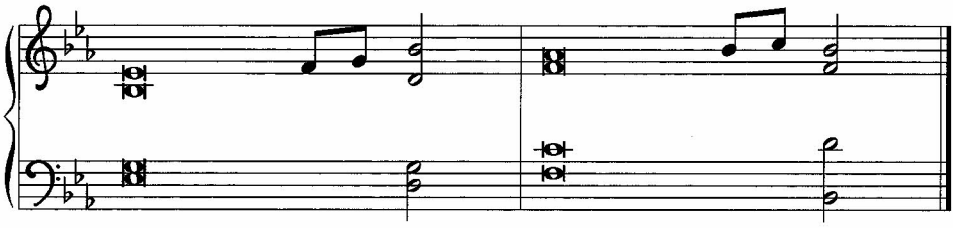
[2]But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days.

[3]Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. [4]And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; [5a]and he shall be the one of peace.

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Refrain *Carl Schalk*





[46b]My soul proclaims the greatness | of the Lord,
[47]my spirit rejoices in | God my Savior,
[48]**for you, Lord, have looked with favor on your | lowly servant.**
From this day all generations will | call me blessed:

[49]you, the Almighty, have done great | things for me
and holy | is your name.
[50]**You have mercy on | those who fear you,**
from generation to | generation. R

[51]You have shown strength | with your arm
and scattered the proud in | their conceit,
[52]**casting down the mighty | from their thrones**
and lifting | up the lowly.

[53]You have filled the hungry | with good things
and sent the rich | away empty.
[54]**You have come to the aid of your | servant Israel,**
to remember the prom- | ise of mercy,

[55]the promise made | to our forebears,
to Abraham and his chil- | dren forever. **R**

2nd Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10

5 Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said, "Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired,
but a body you have prepared for me; 6 in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure.
7 Then I said, 'See, God, I have come to do your will, O God' (in the scroll of the book it is written of me)."

8 When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt
offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), 9 then he added, "See, I have come
to do your will." He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. 10 And it is by God's will that we
have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Word

First Reading

The reading may be announced: A reading from _____.
The reading may be concluded: The word of the Lord. **OR** Word of God, word of life.
The assembly responds: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

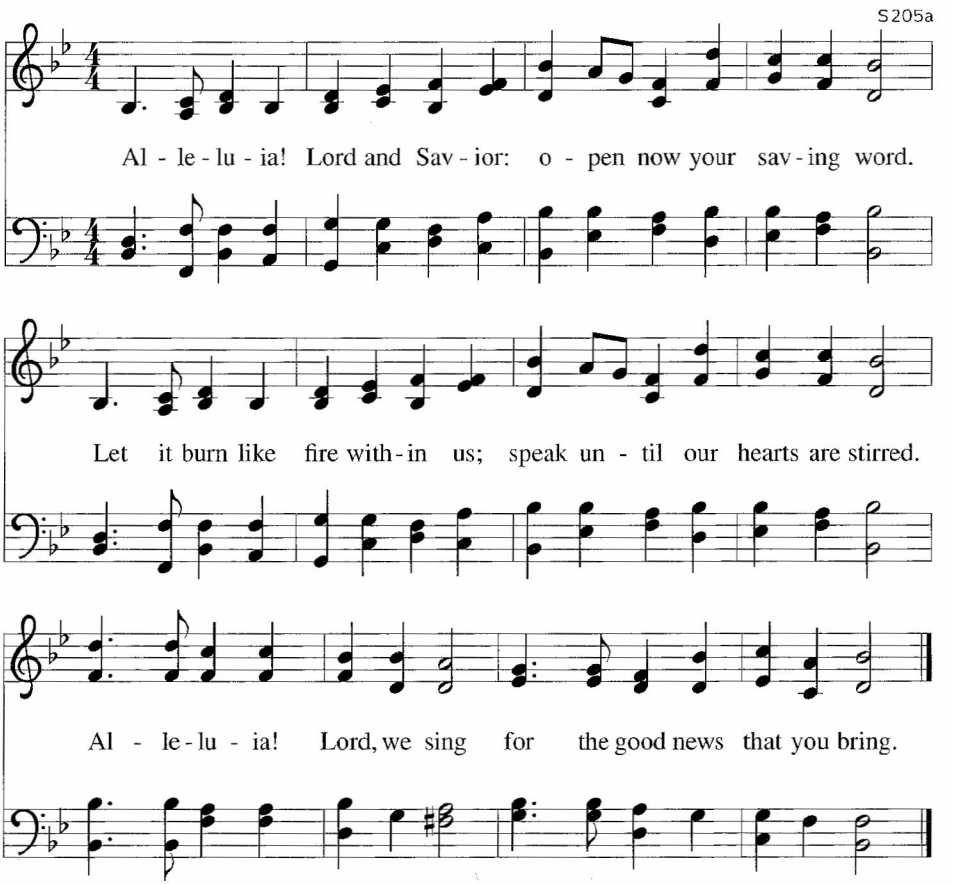
The psalm for the day is sung.

Second Reading

The reading may be announced and concluded in the same way as the first reading.

Gospel Acclamation

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.



The Gospel of the Lord according to

Luke 1:39-45

“Glory to you, O Lord”

[39]In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, [40]where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. [41]When Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the child leaped in her womb.

And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit [42]and exclaimed with a loud cry, “Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. [43]And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me?

[44]For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. [45]And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

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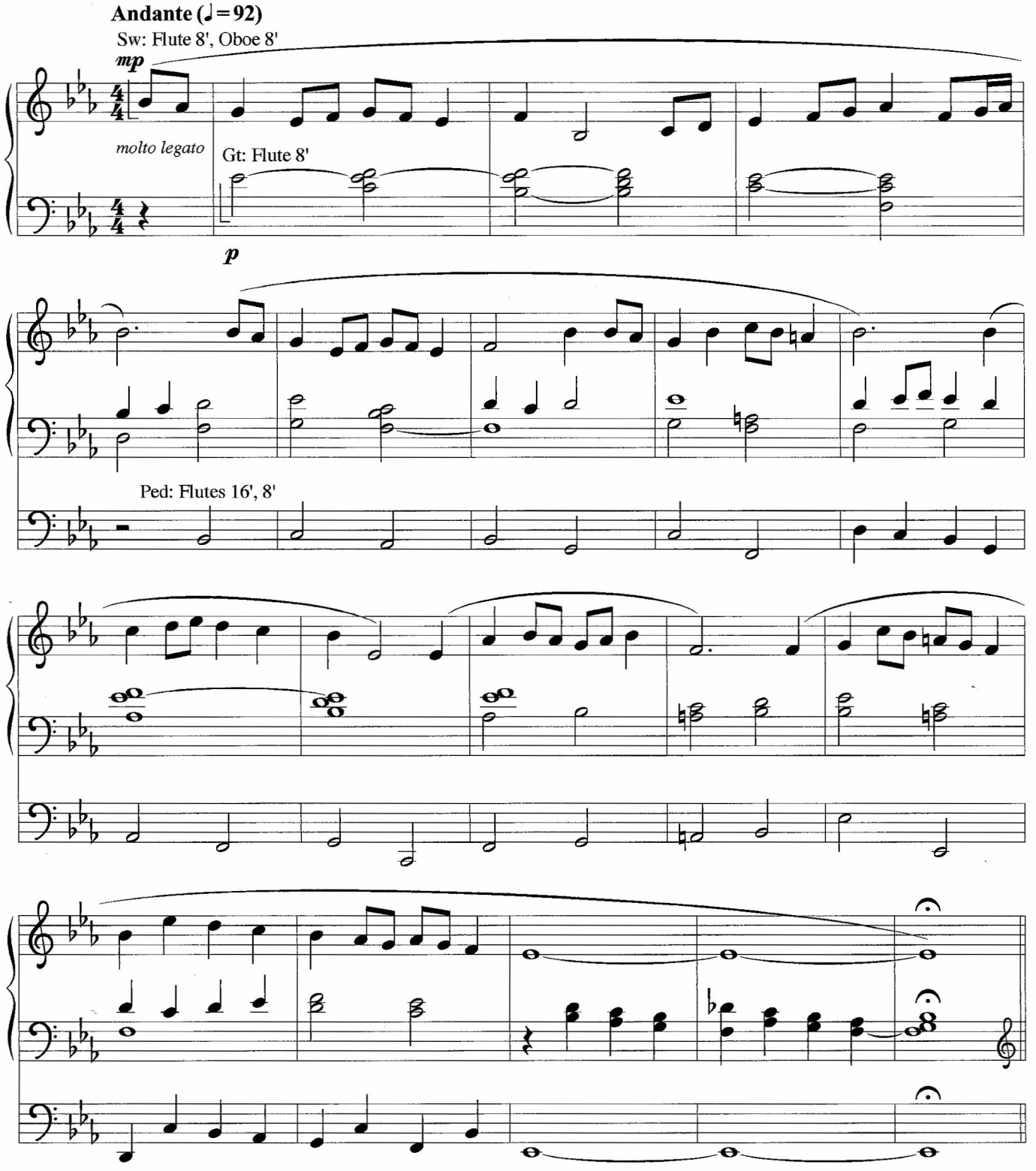

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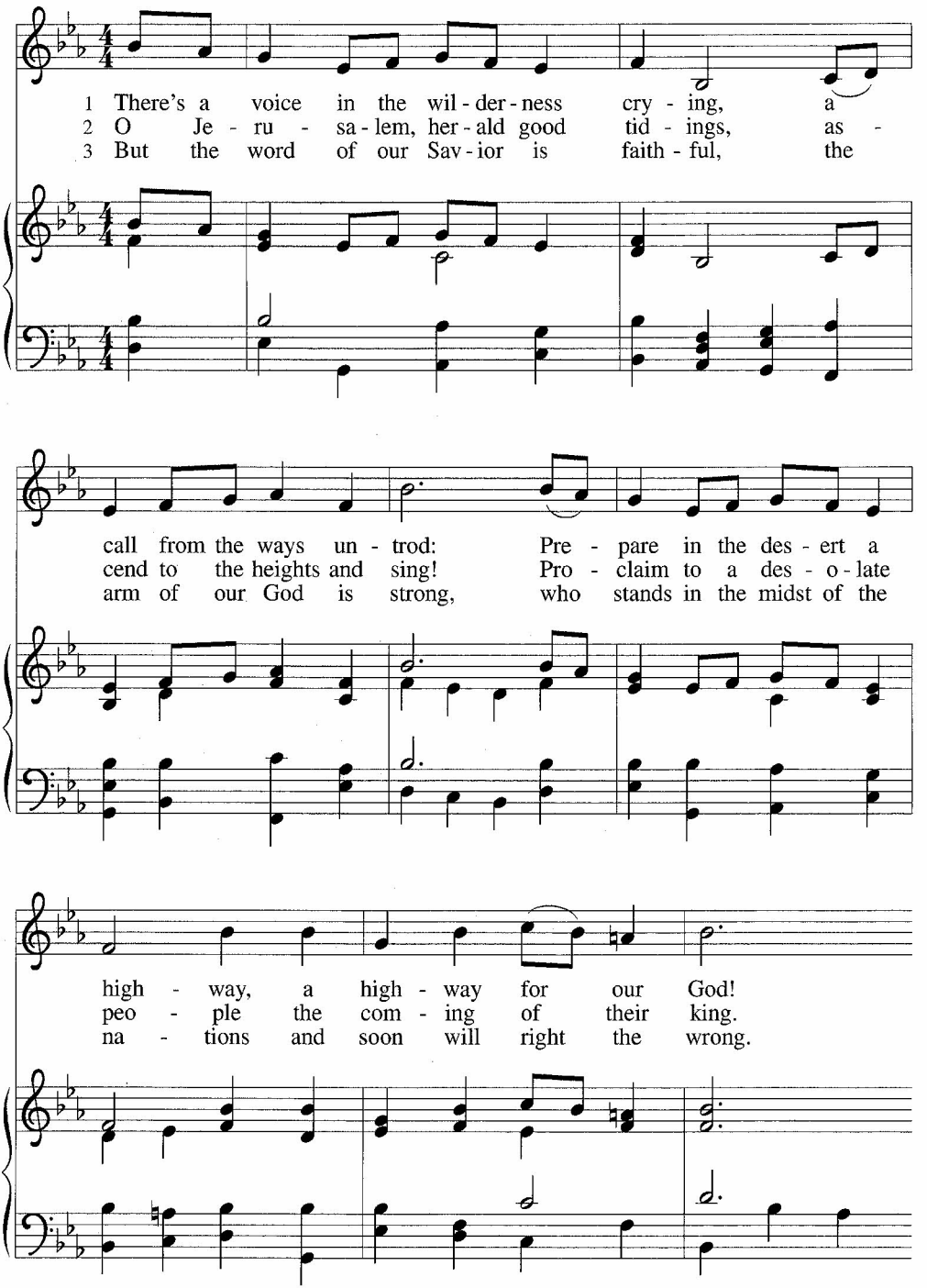

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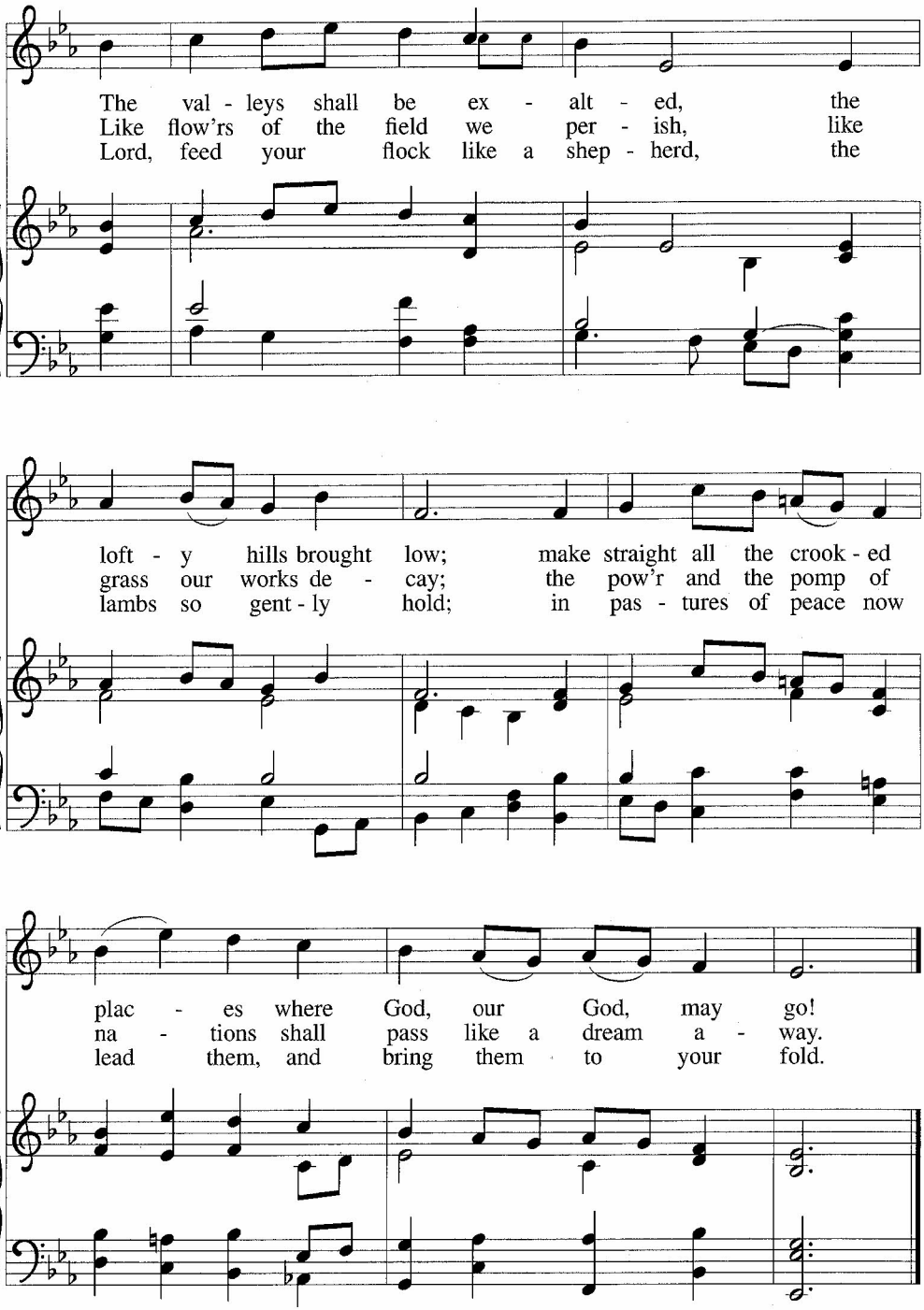
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Lord, feed your flock like a shep - herd, the
loft - y hills brought low; make straight all the crook - ed
grass our works de - cay; the pow'r and the pomp of
lambs so gent - ly hold; in pas - tures of peace now
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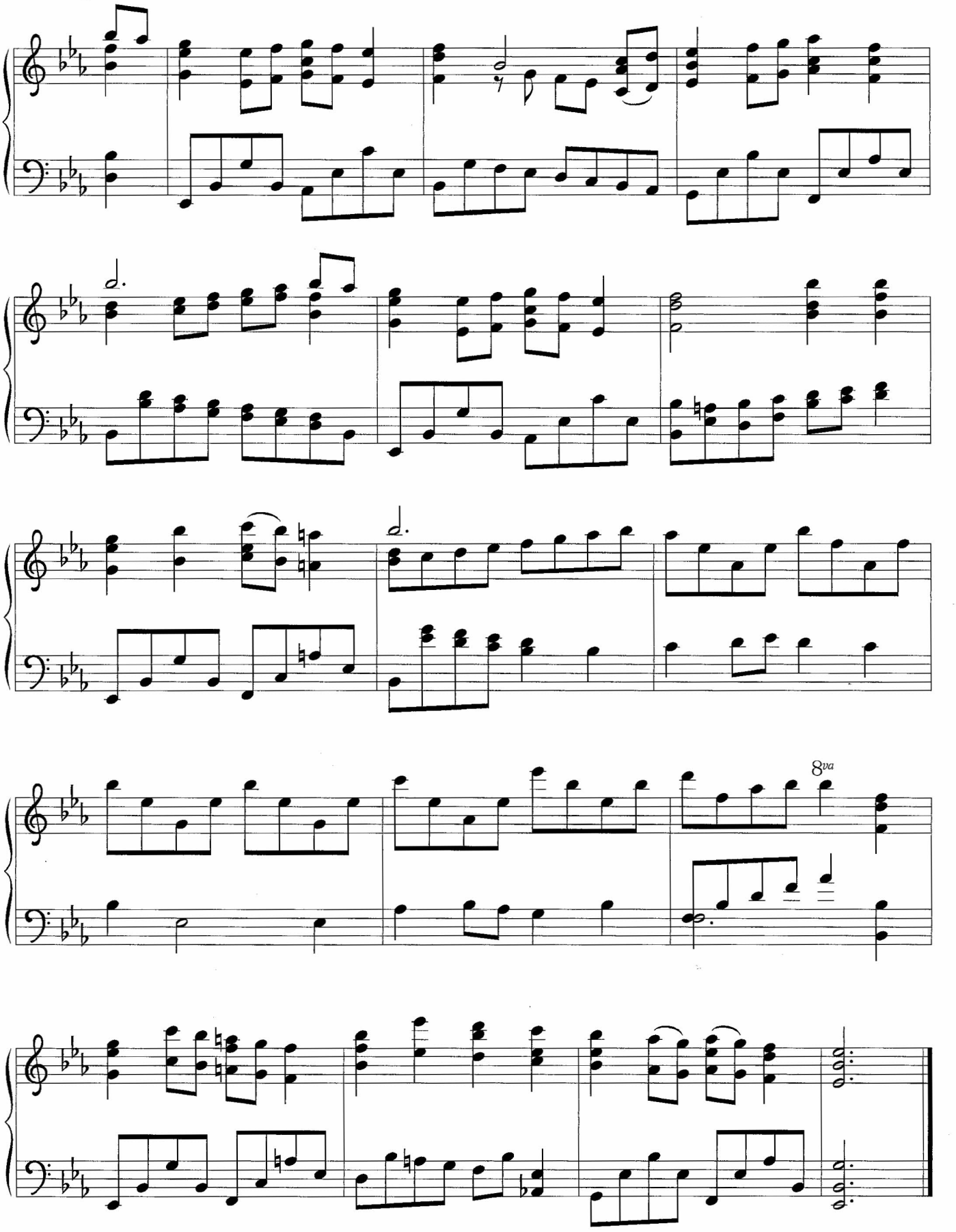
lead them, and bring them to your fold.

Accompaniment



Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
By the power of the Holy Spirit He became incarnate from the virgin Mary
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

Prayers of the people
Response after each prayer:
P: Lord, in your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

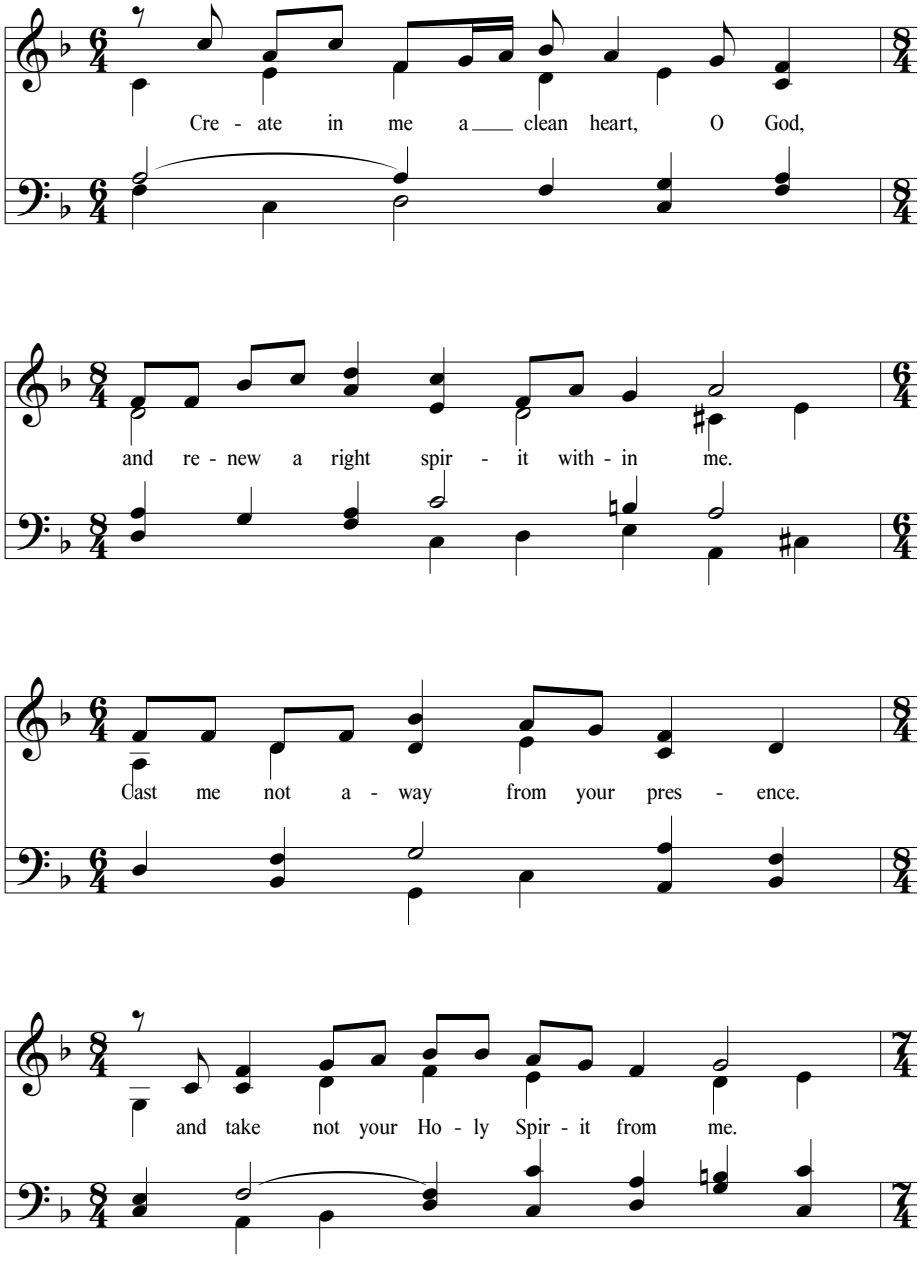
SHARING of THE Peace
The peace of Christ
be with you always.
And also with you.

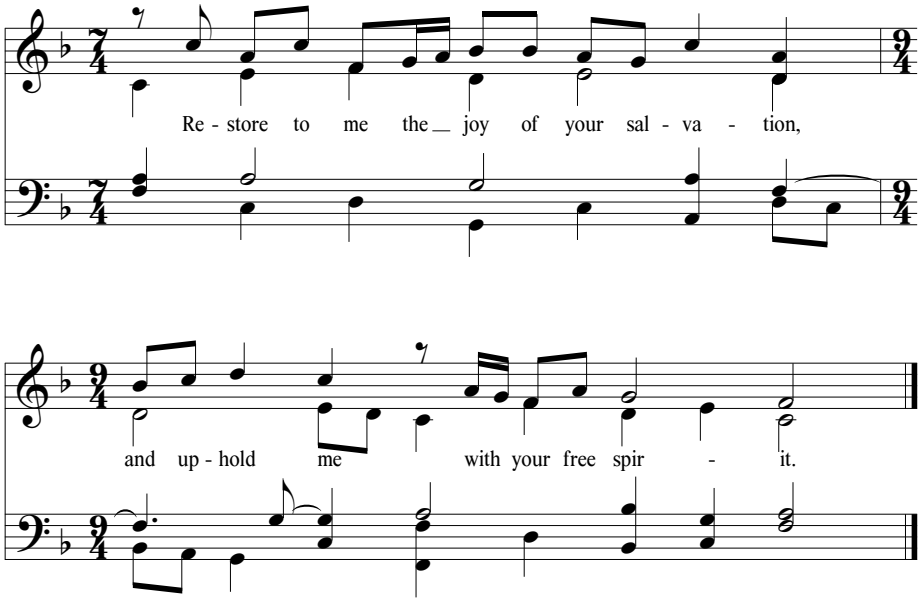
Offering ***"Mary Did You Know"*** *Sung by Maridene Johnson and Taylor Strommen*

Hymn # 186

Create in Me a Clean Heart

Richard W. Hillert




Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,
and up - hold me with your free spir - it.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

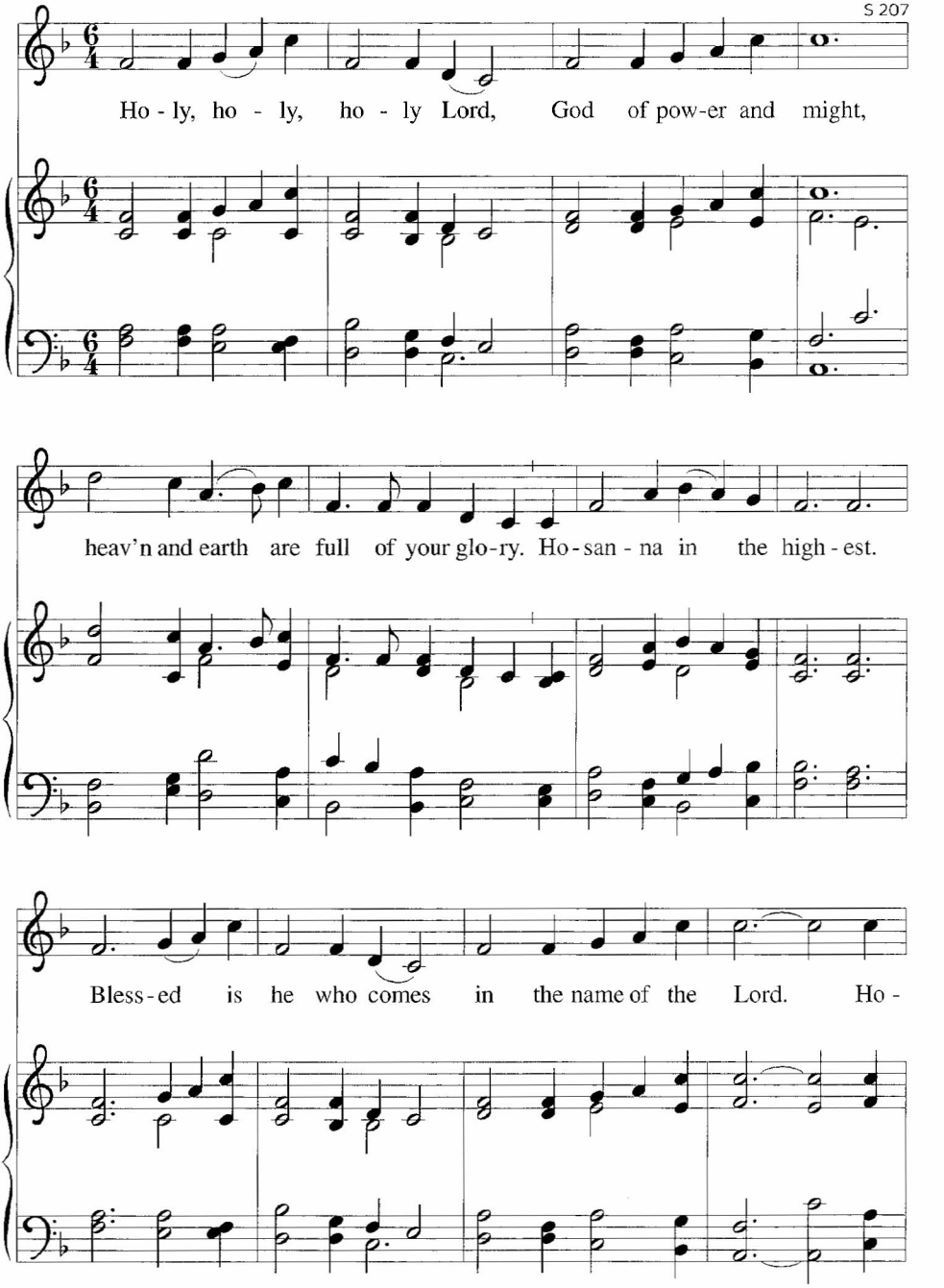
Let us give thanks
to the Lord our God.

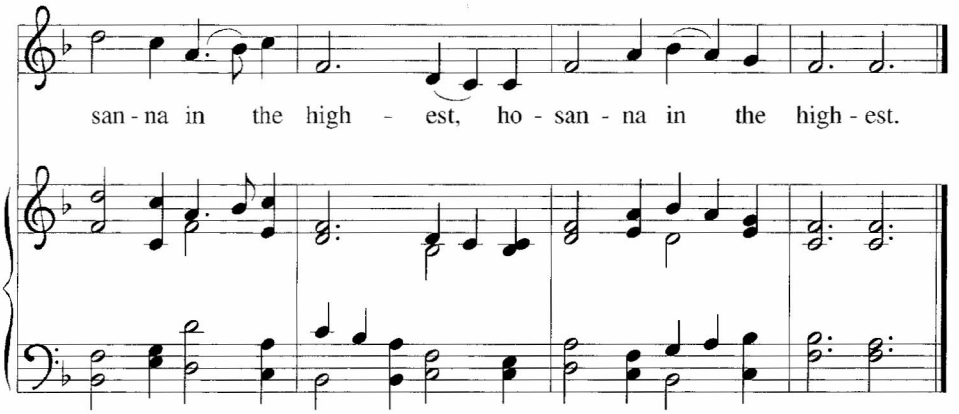
It is right to give
our thanks and praise.

It is in deed right, our duty and our joy
… (minister continues) …
and join in their unending hymn

The presiding minister continues:

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . . *Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding:* . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





The presiding minister continues, using one of the following or another appropriate form.

I

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

Continue on the following page.

OR

II

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

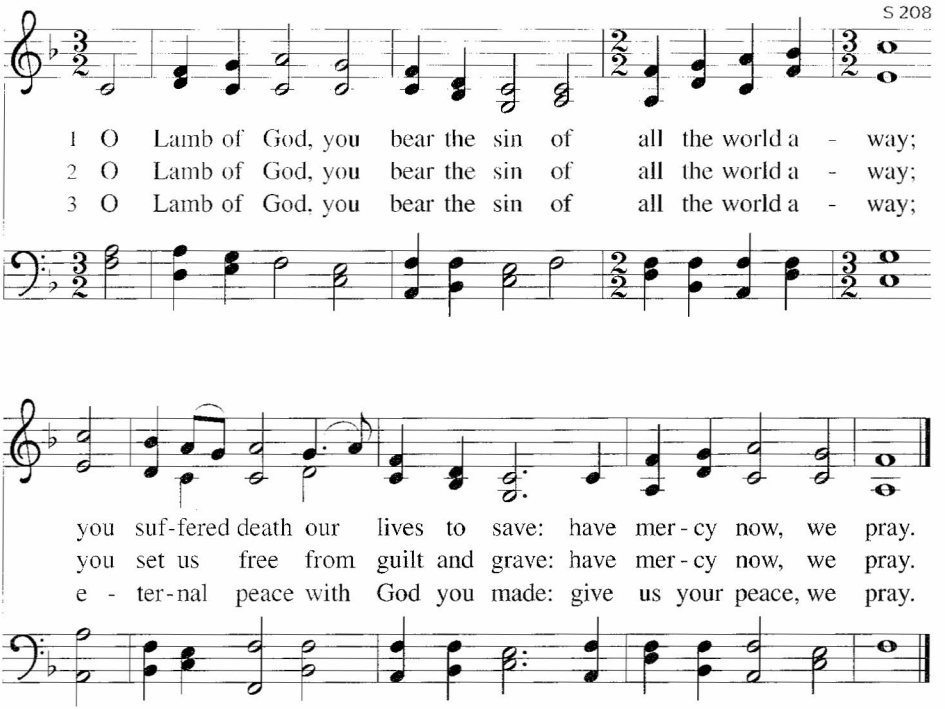
Continue with the Lord's Prayer (p. 176 [208]).

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.
Amen.

Invitation to Communion

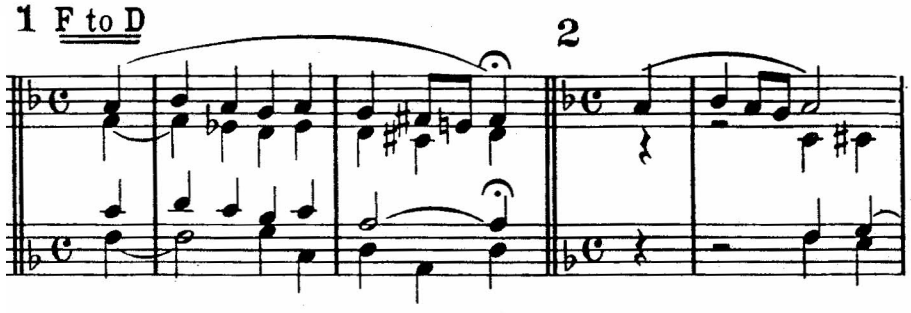
"Lamb of God" may be sung.



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.**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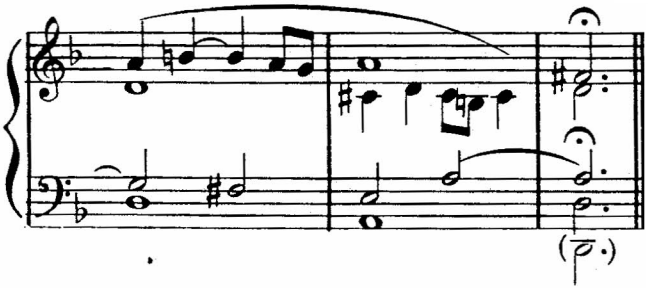
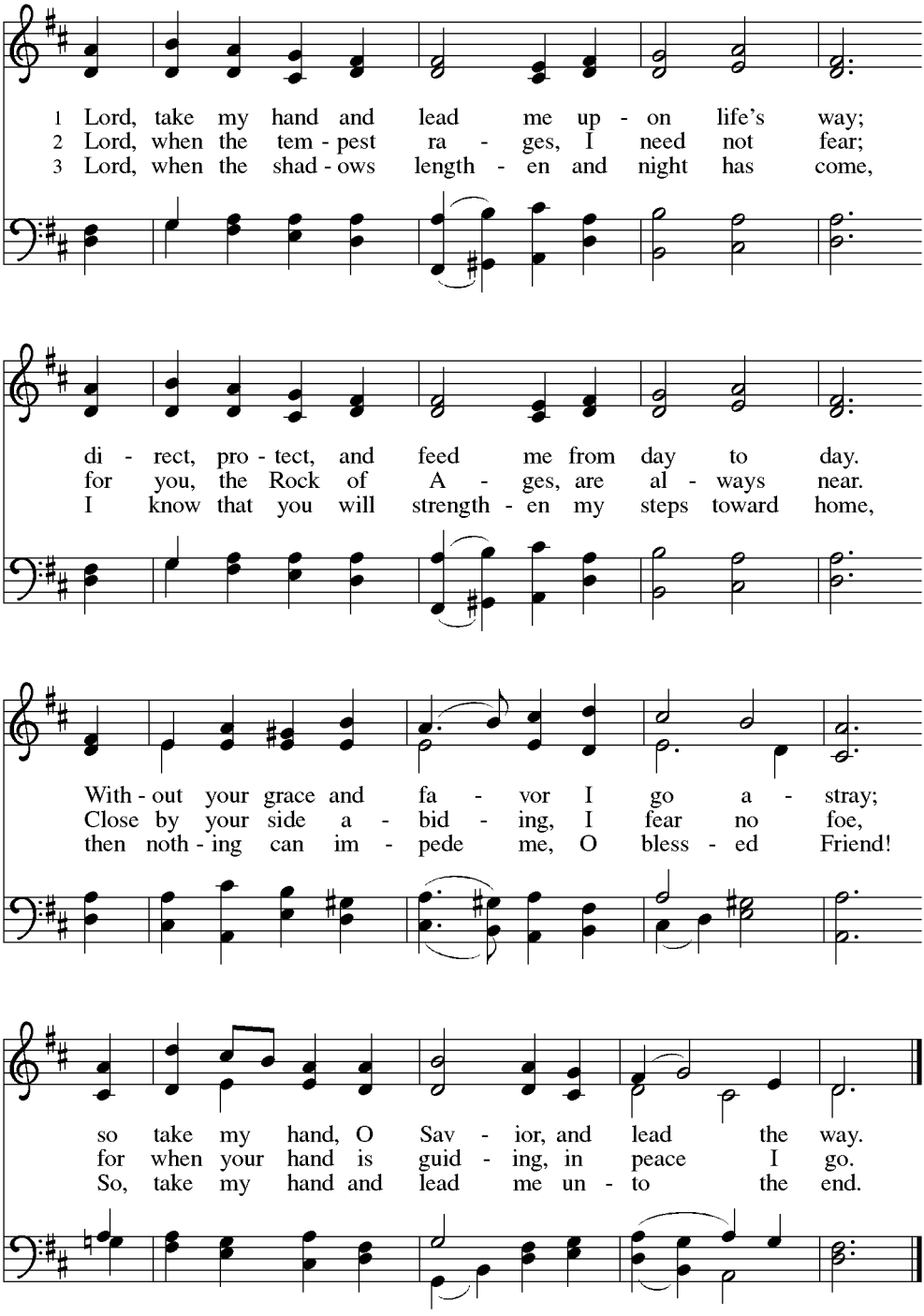


Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me



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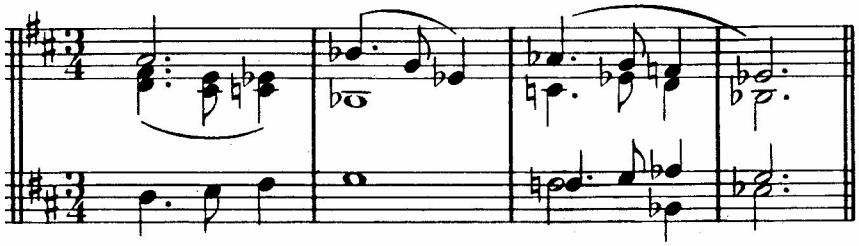

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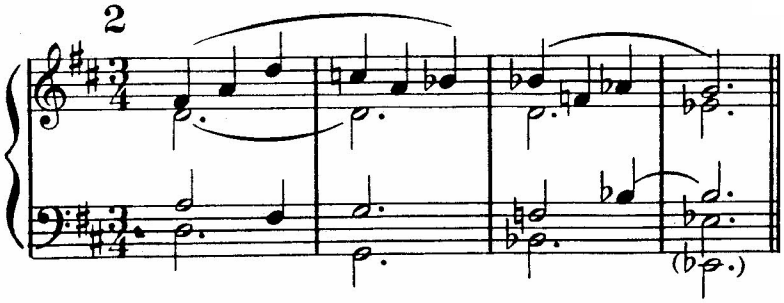

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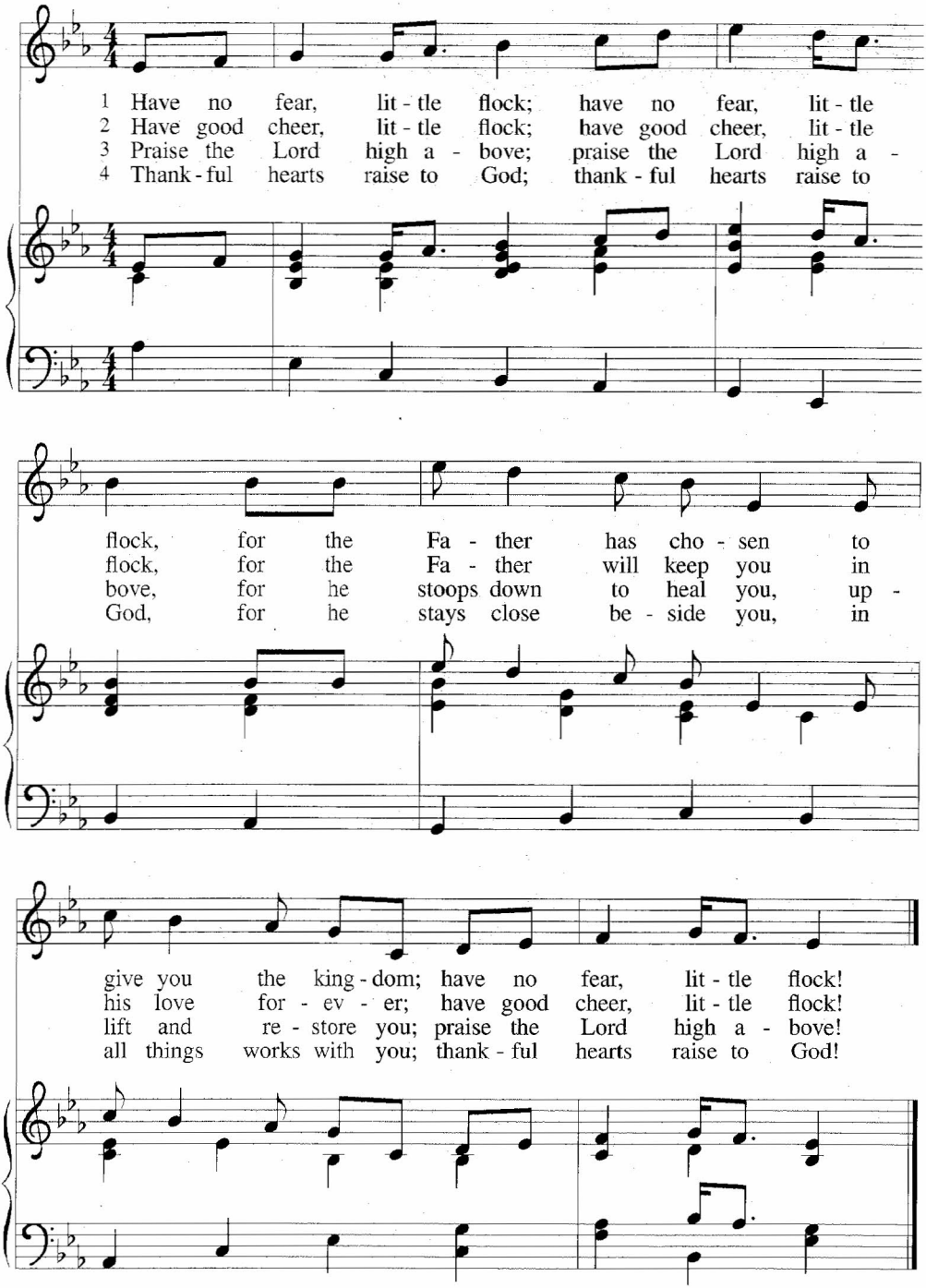

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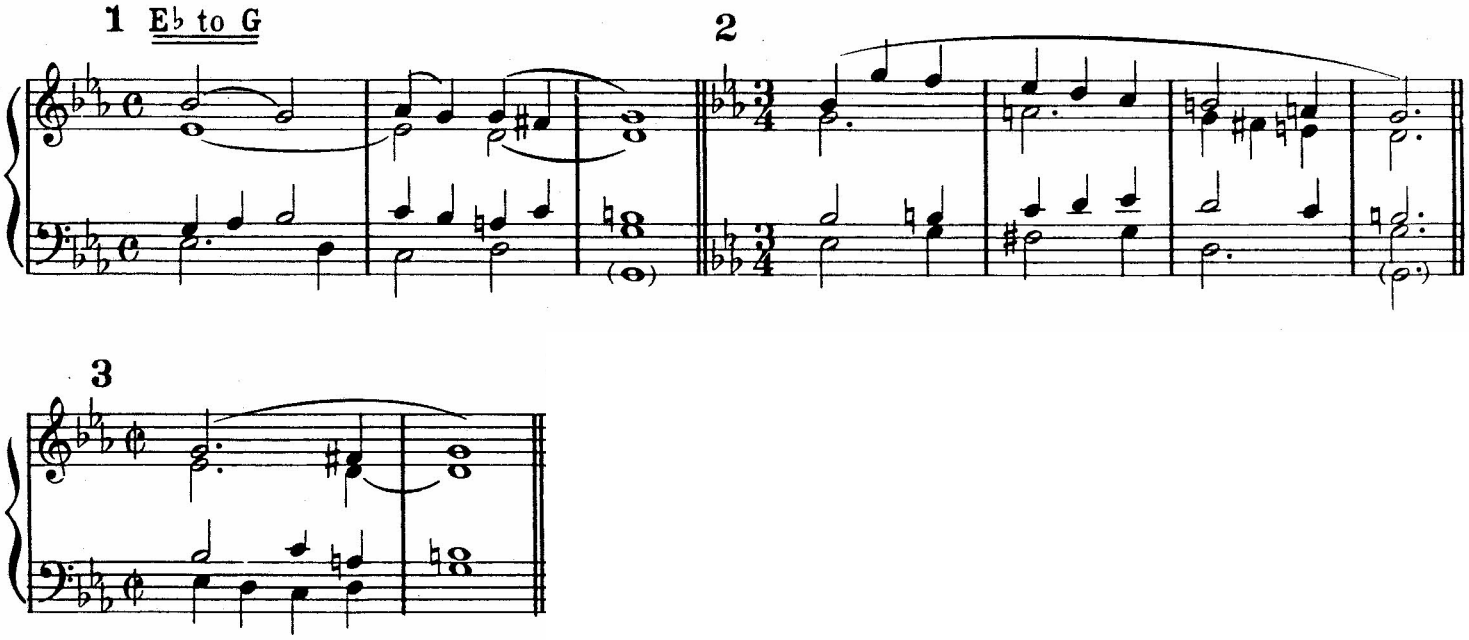
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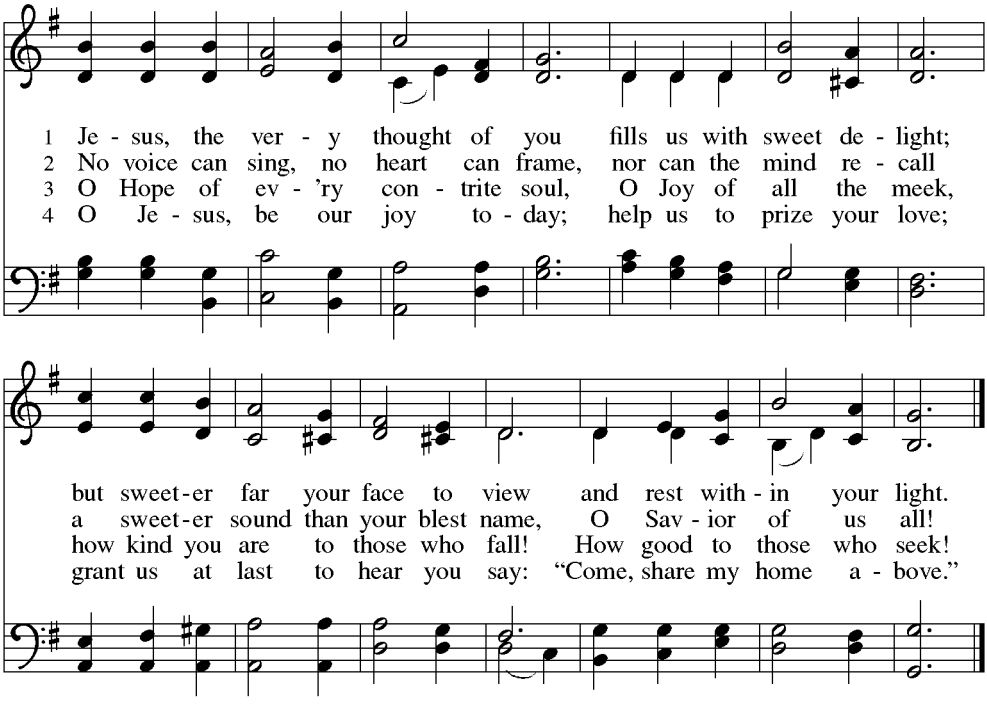

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Fling Wide the Door

MACHT HOCH DIE TÜR

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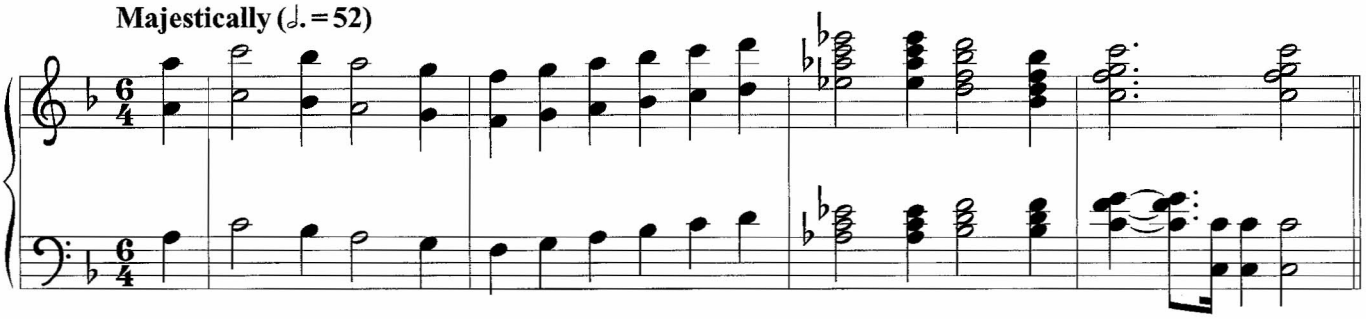

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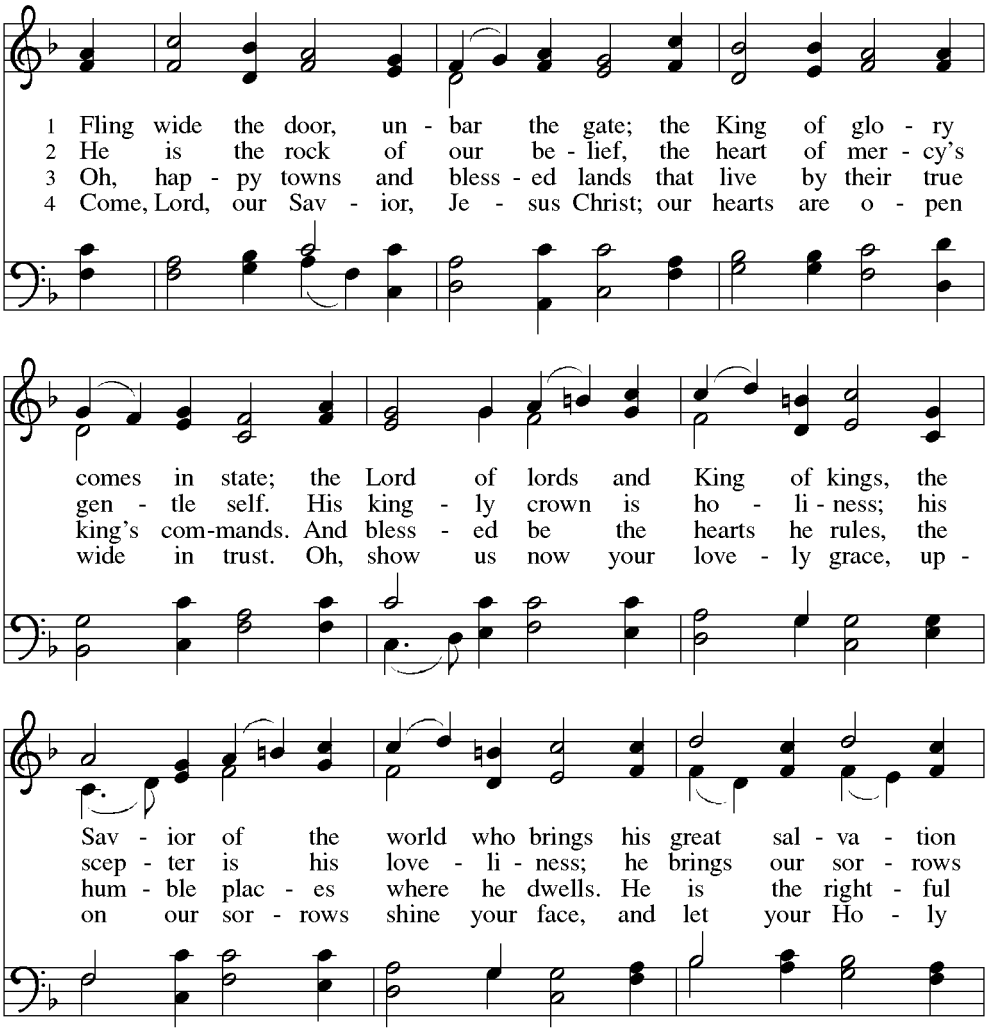

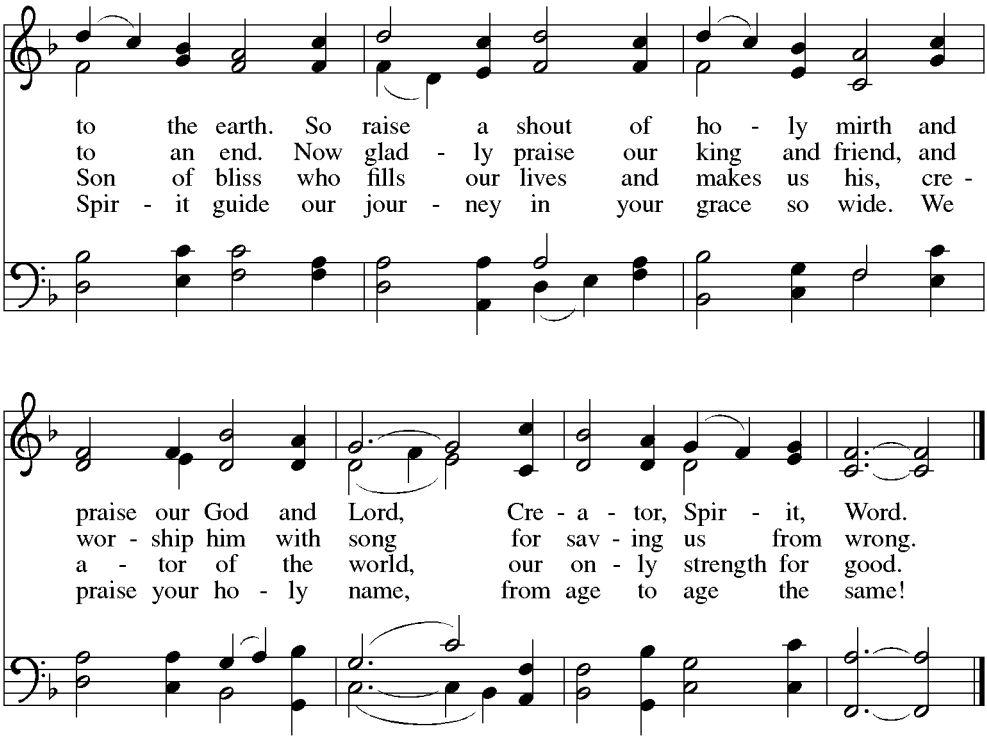

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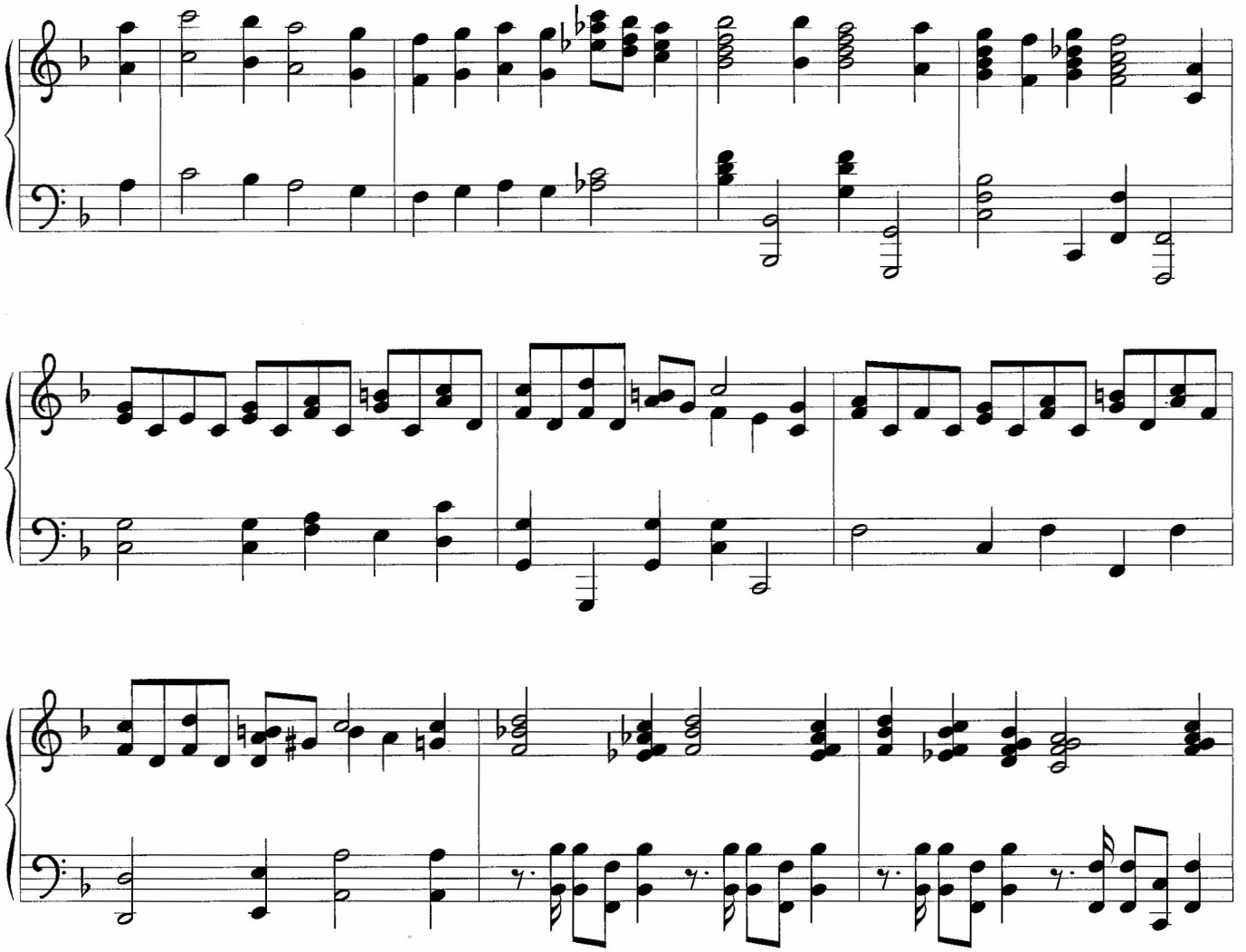

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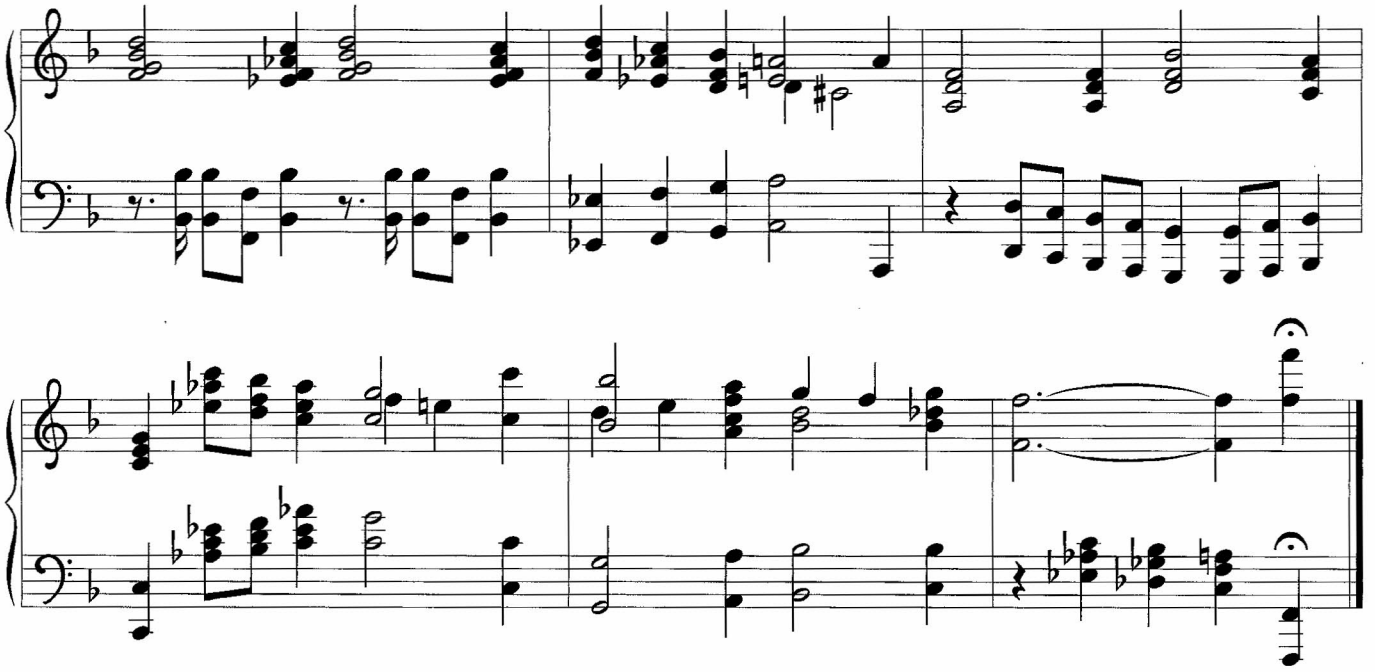

Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying

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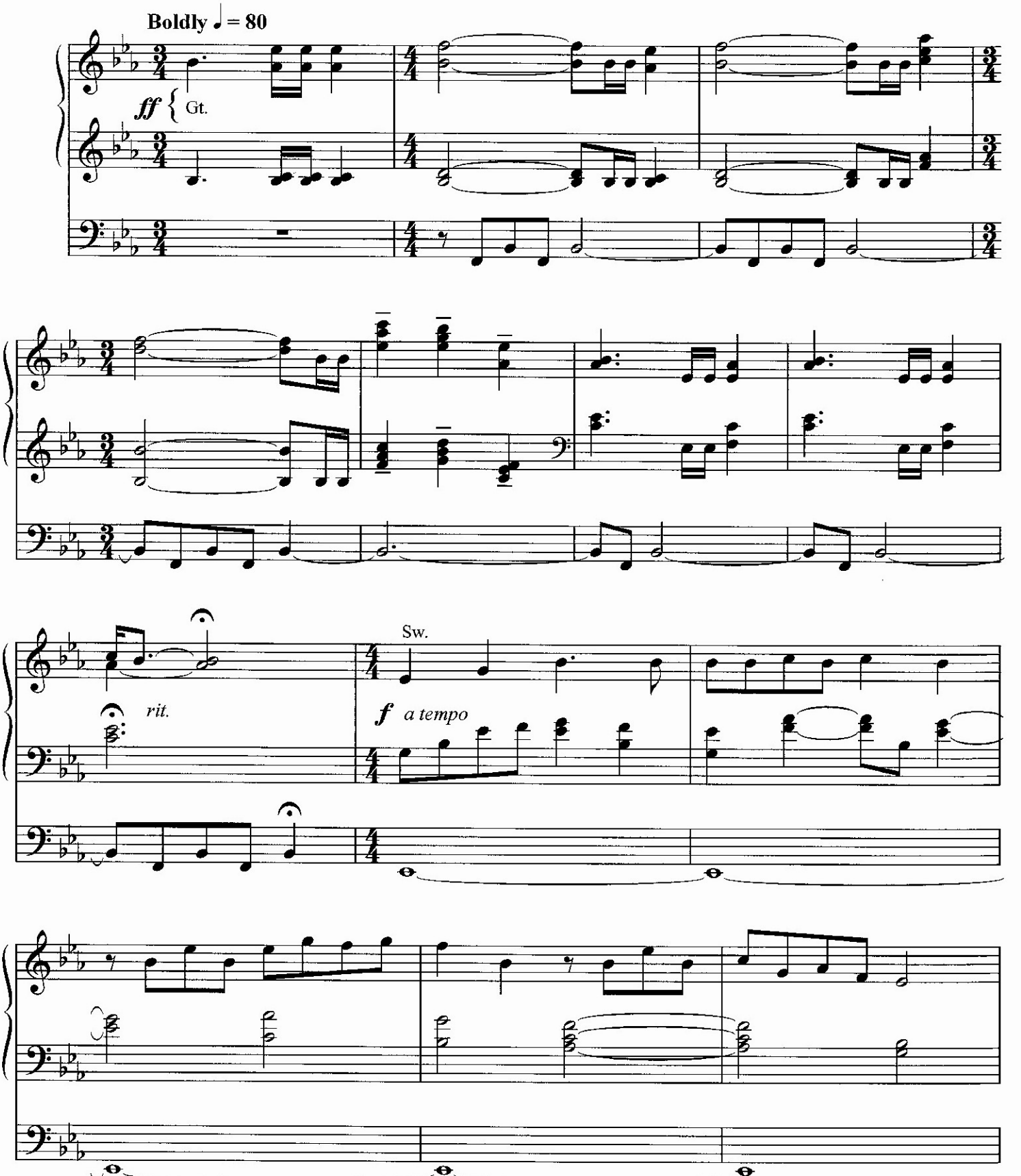

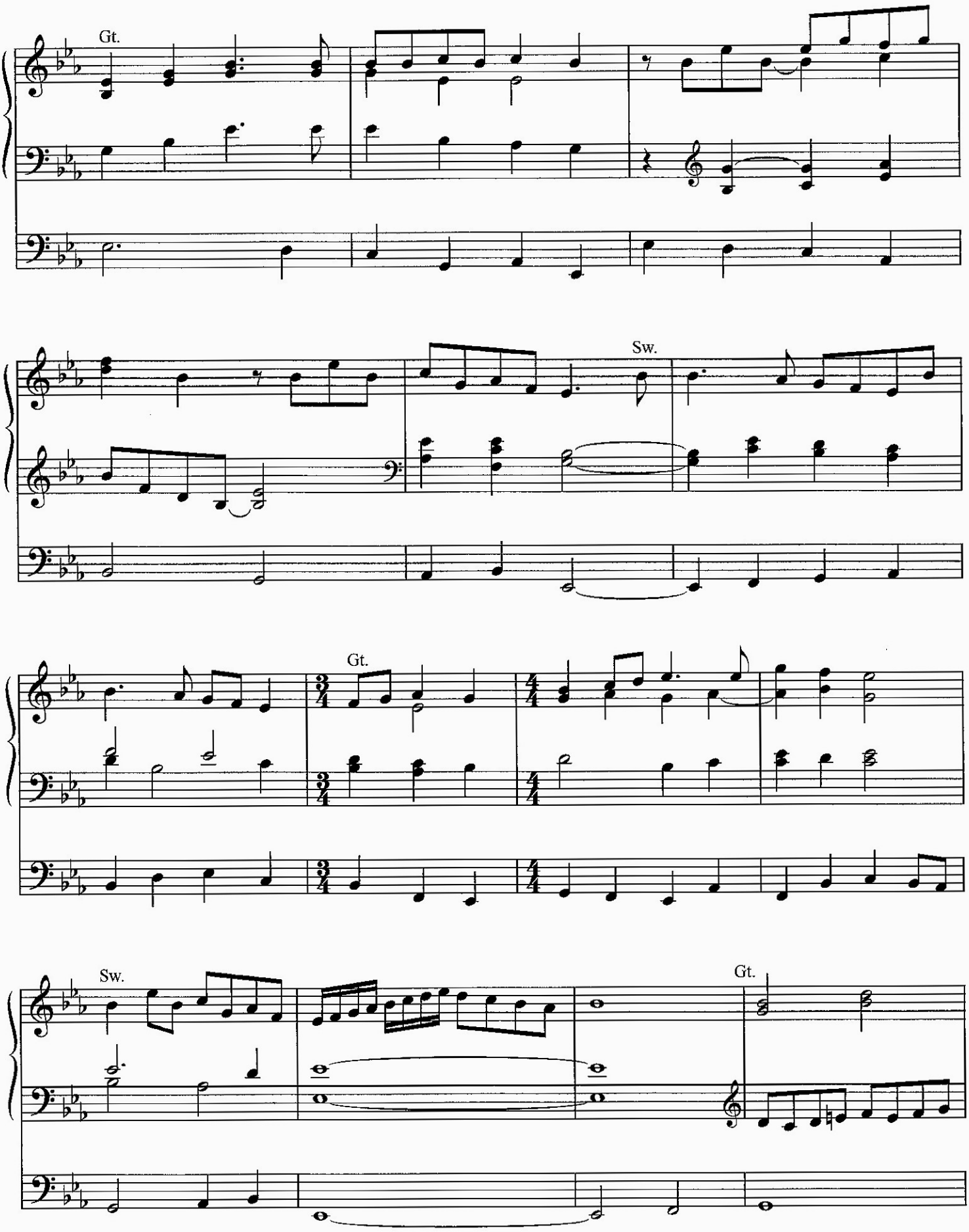
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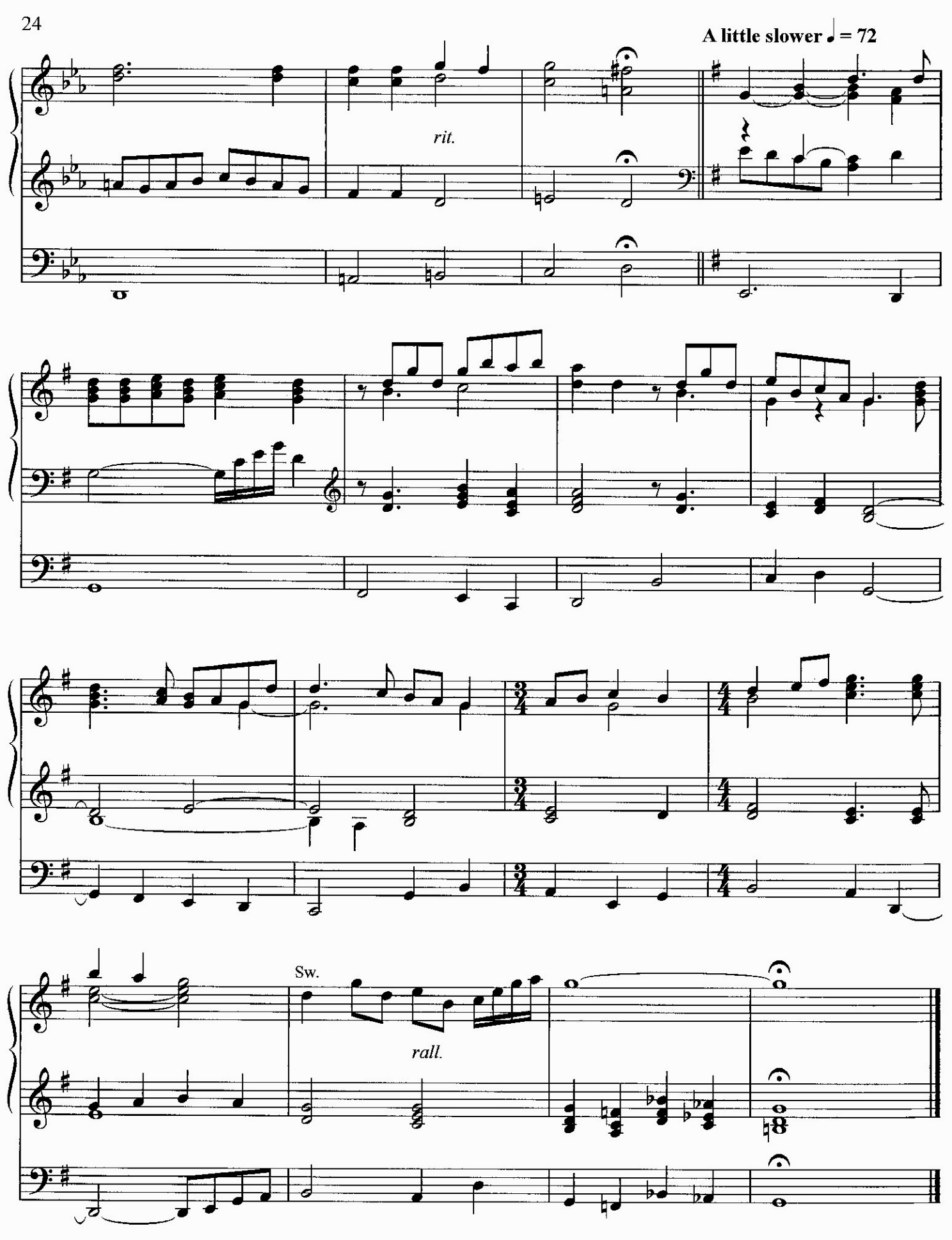
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