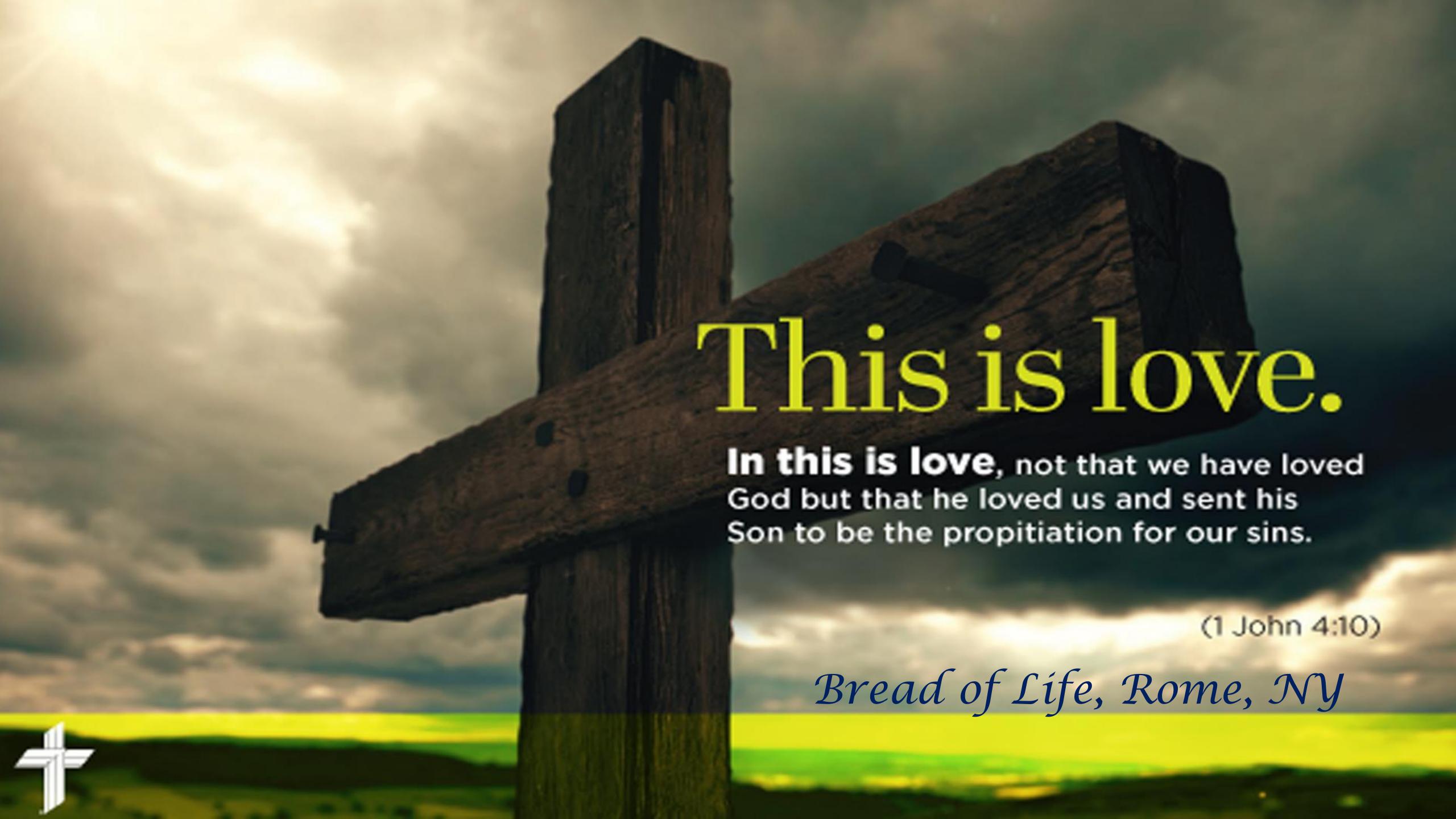
Bread of Life



Lutheran Church Rome, New York

September 13, 2025



506 Glory Be to God the Father the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to God God the Son, Glo - ry God the Spir - it: be to in Great - ho - vah, Glo - ry, Three One! glo-ry While e-ter-nal a-ges run!

506 Glory Be to God the Father 2 Glo-ry Him who loved us, Washed us be from each to spot and stain; Glo - ry Him who be bought to us, kings Him Glo - ry, Made with reign! to us the Lamb that slain! glo - ry To once was

506 Glory Be to God the Father King of an - gels, Glo - ry to the the Church's King, Glo - ry King of na - tions; the to prais - es earth, your bring! Glo - ry, Heav'n and glo - ry To the King of glo - ry sing!

506 Glory Be to God the Father 4 Glo-ry, bless-ing, praise e - ter-nal! Thus the choir of an - gels sings; Hon - or, rich - es, pow'r, do - min - ion! brings. Glo - ry, Thus its praise cre - a tion

glo - ry, Glo - ry to the King of kings!

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Invocation

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- In the name of the Father and of the 🕂 Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

Exhortation

- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Confession of Sins

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
 - I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

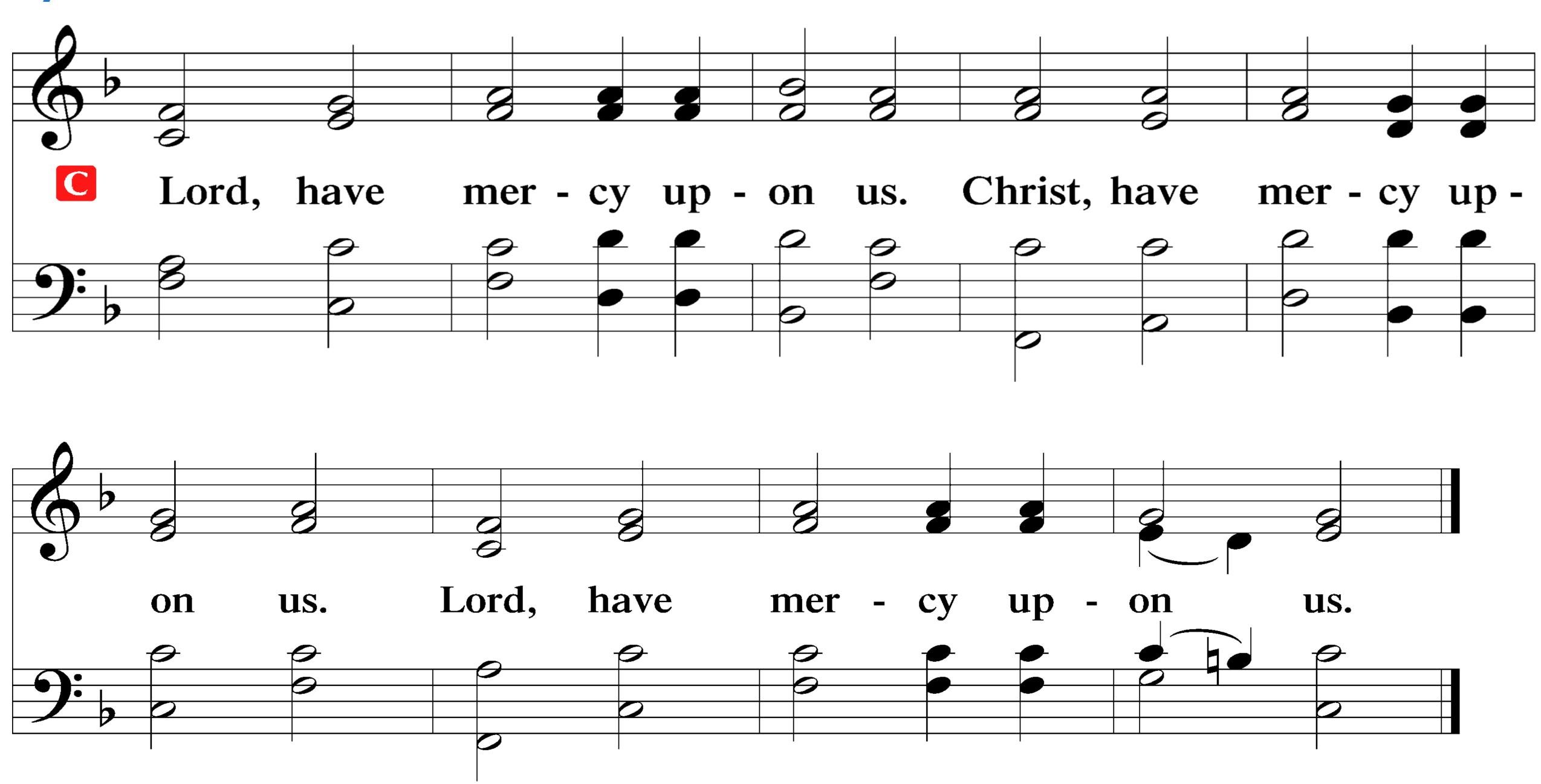
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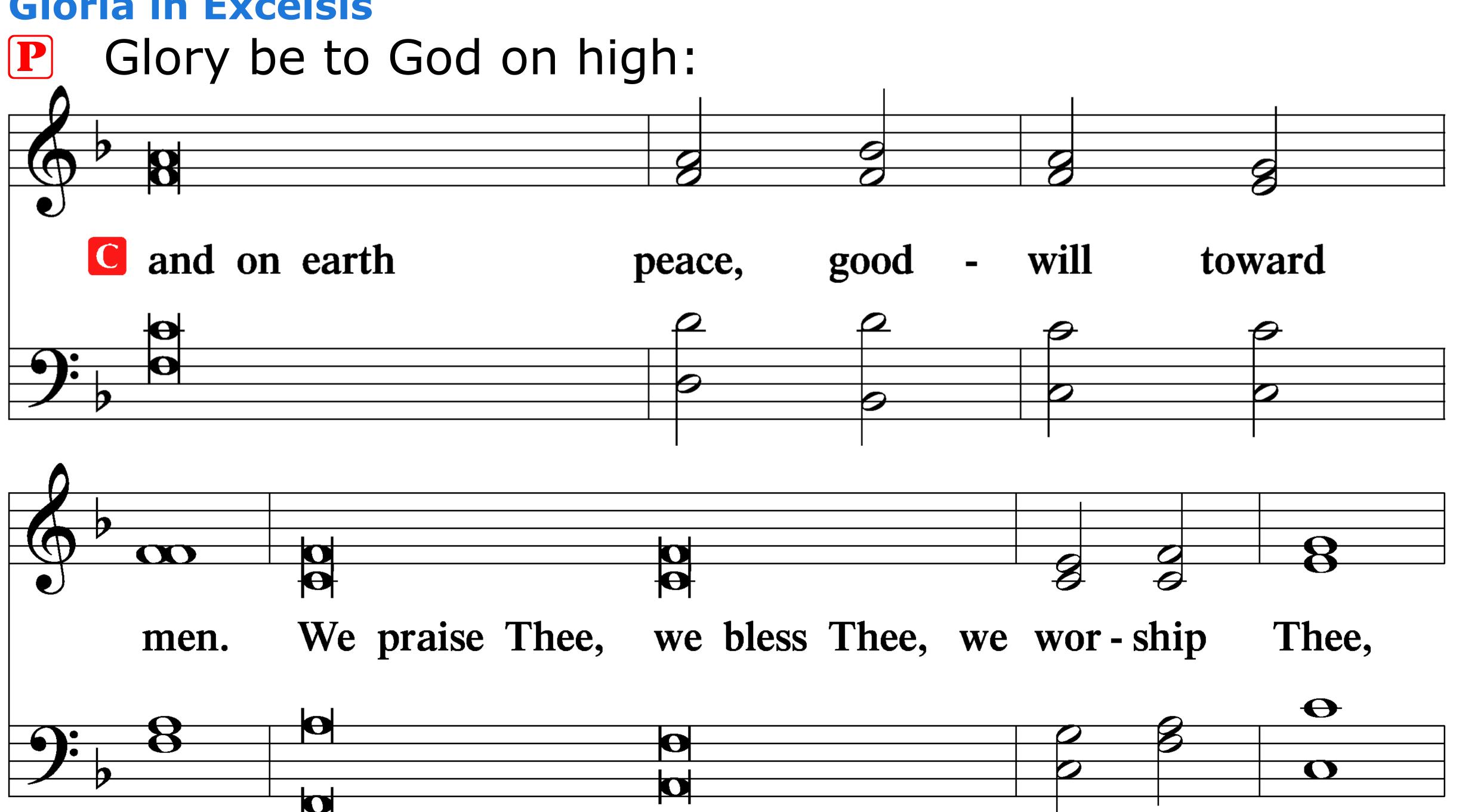
Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved.

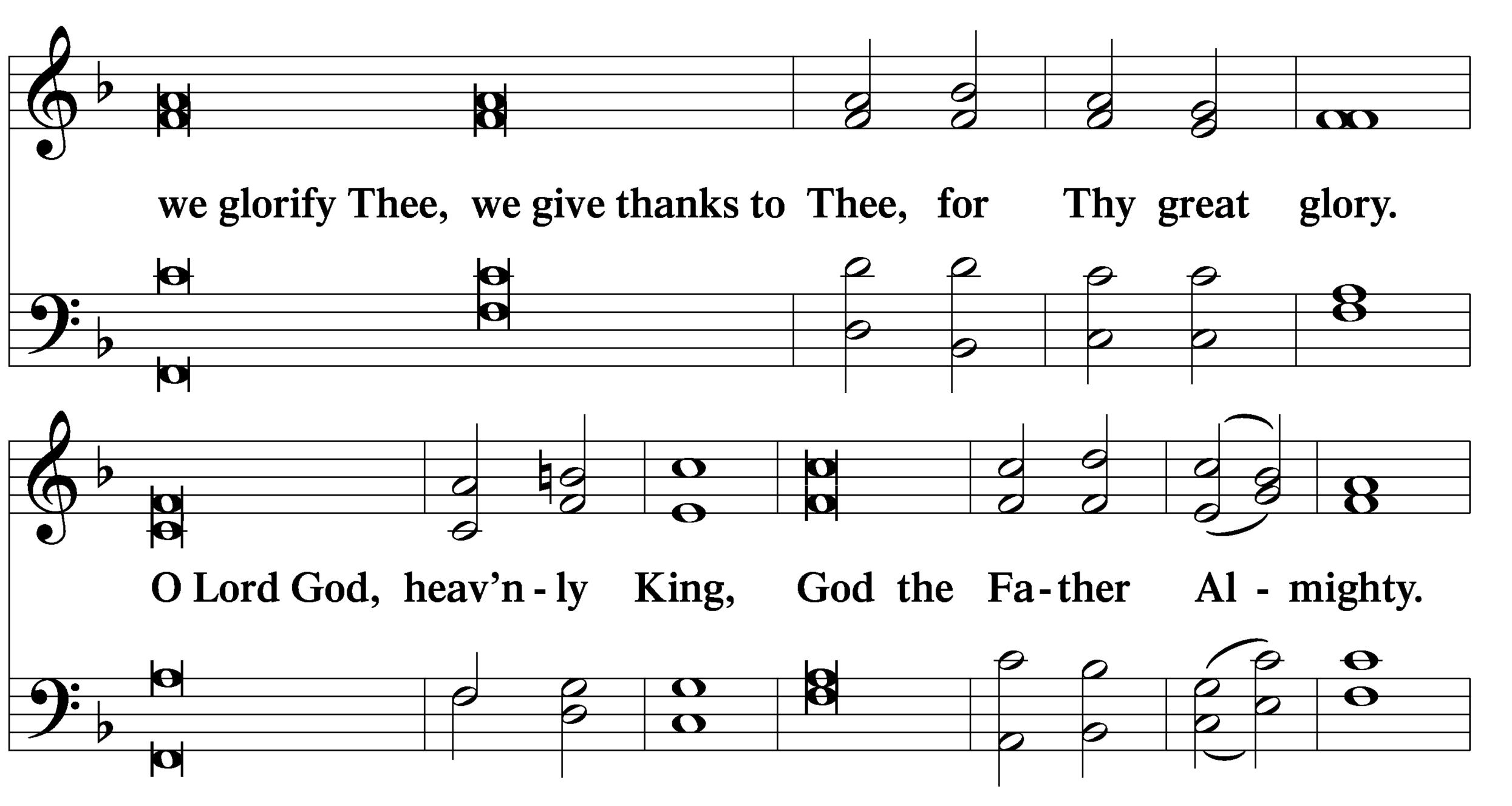
Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

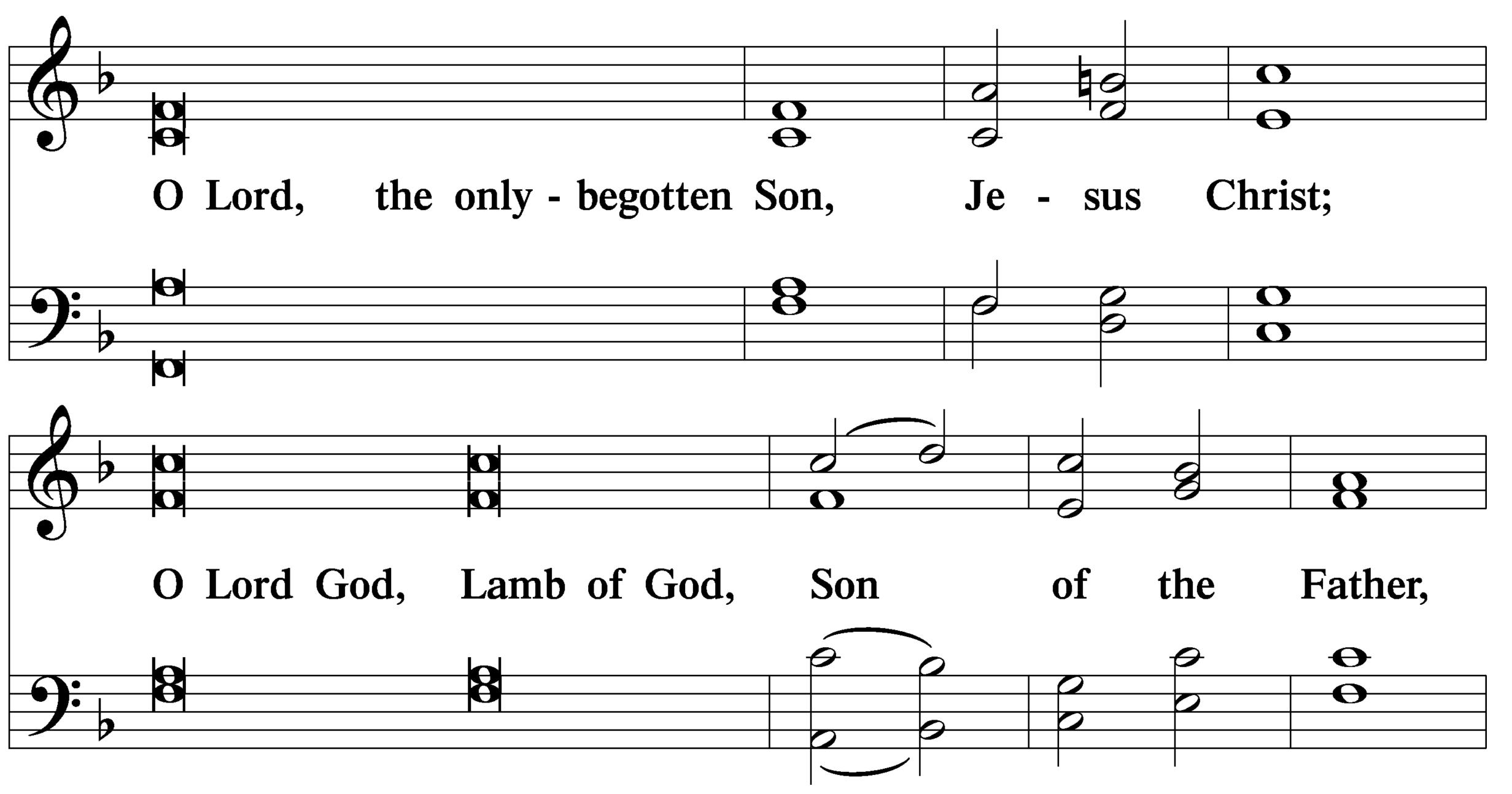
Amen.

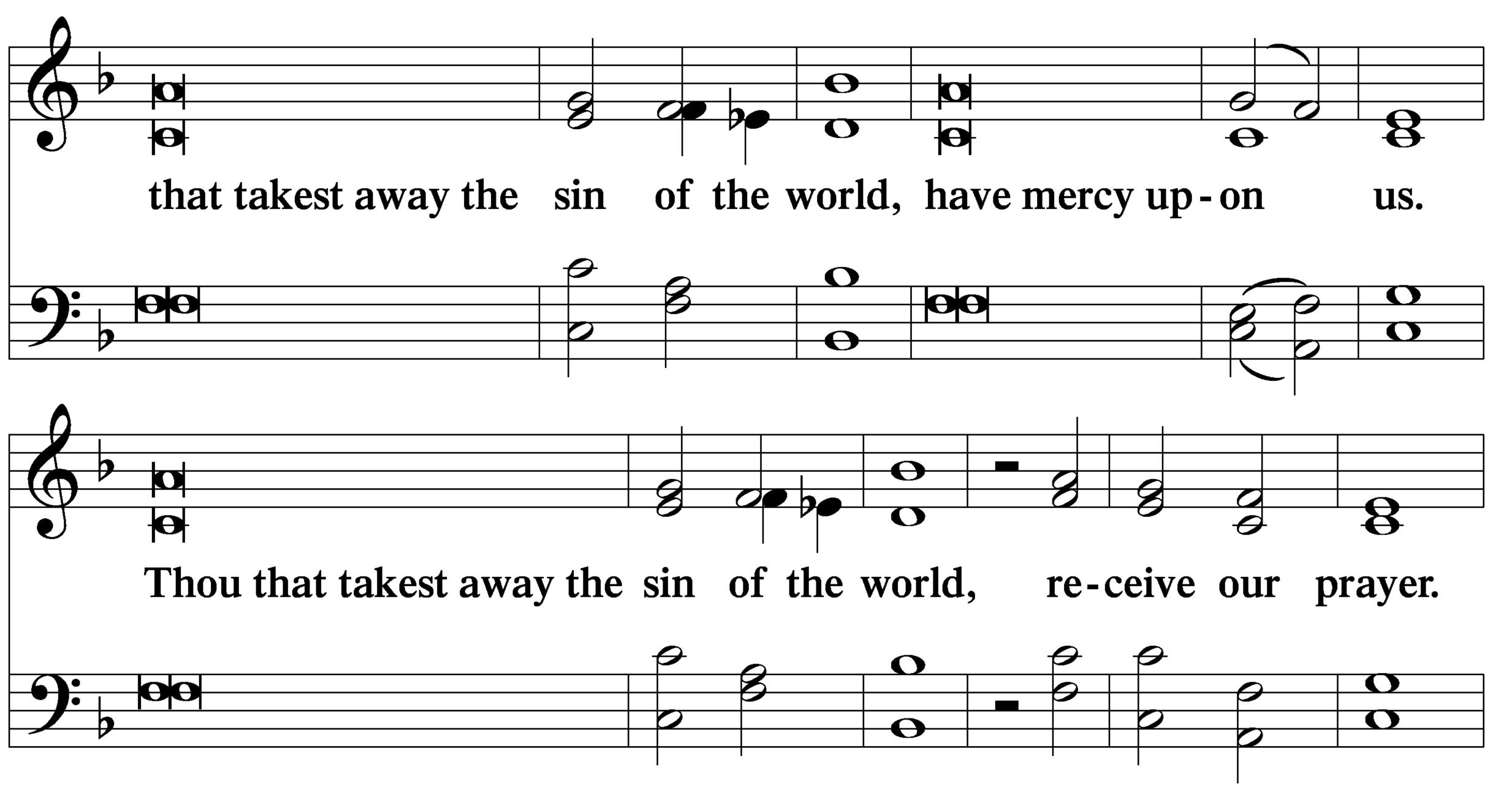
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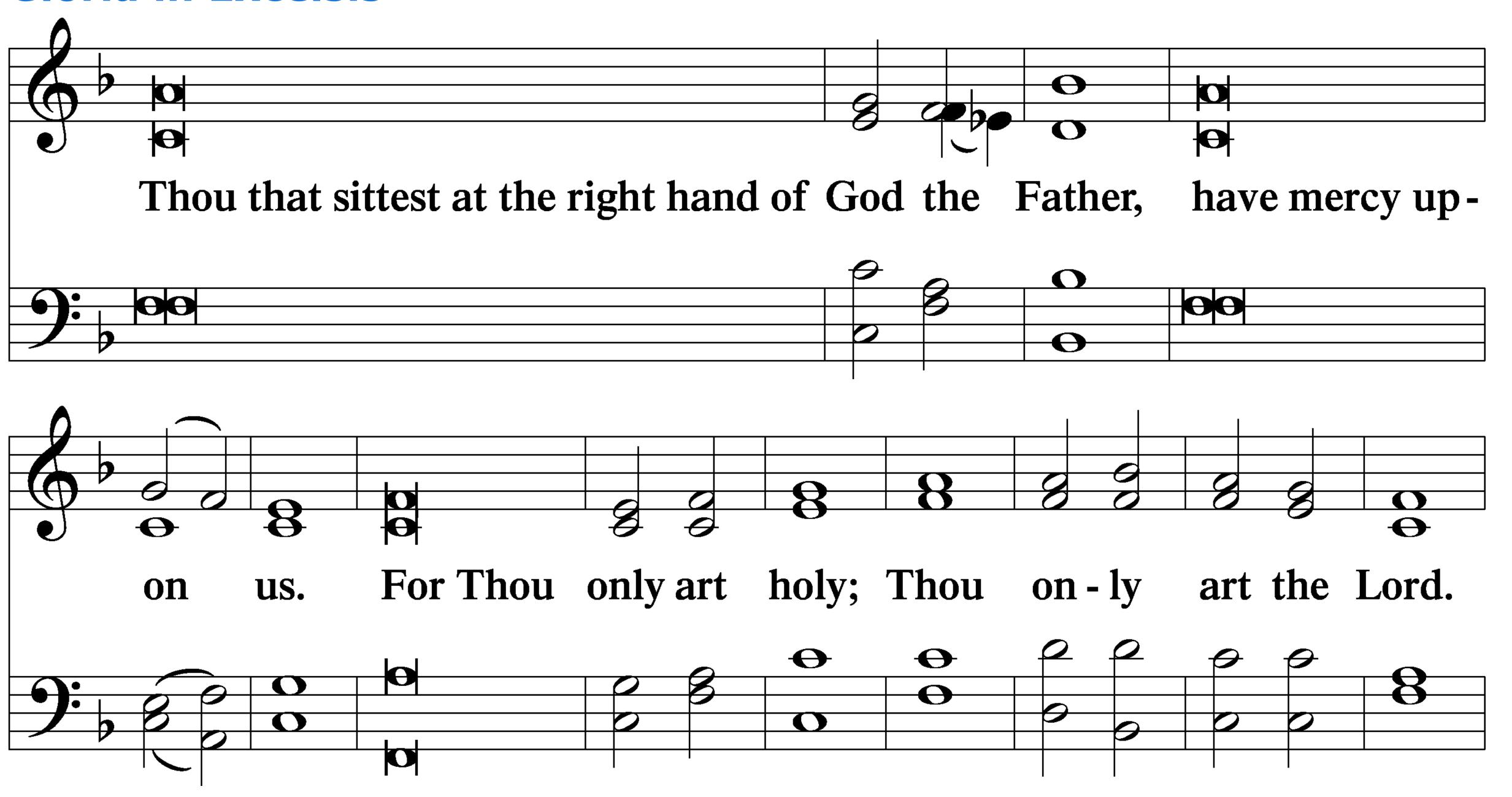


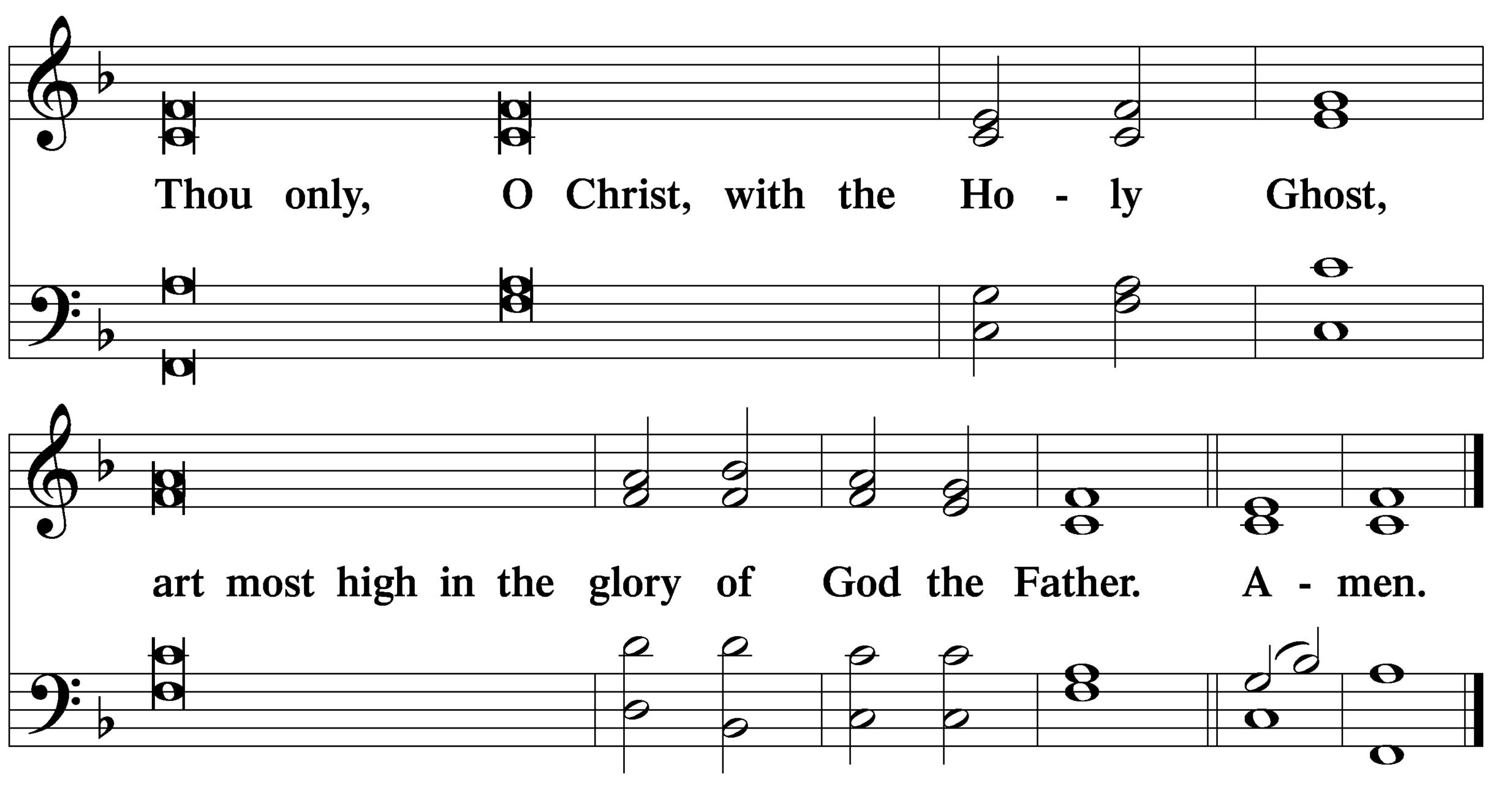






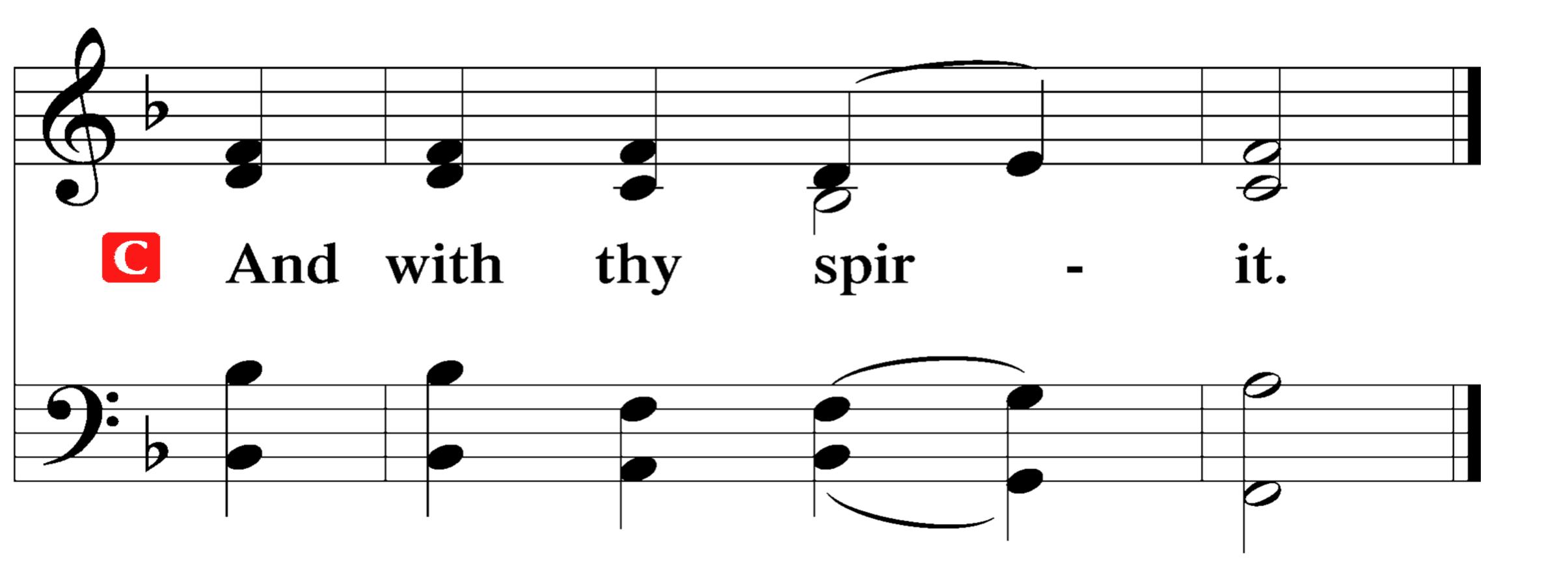






Salutation and Collect of the Day:

Pi The Lord be with you.

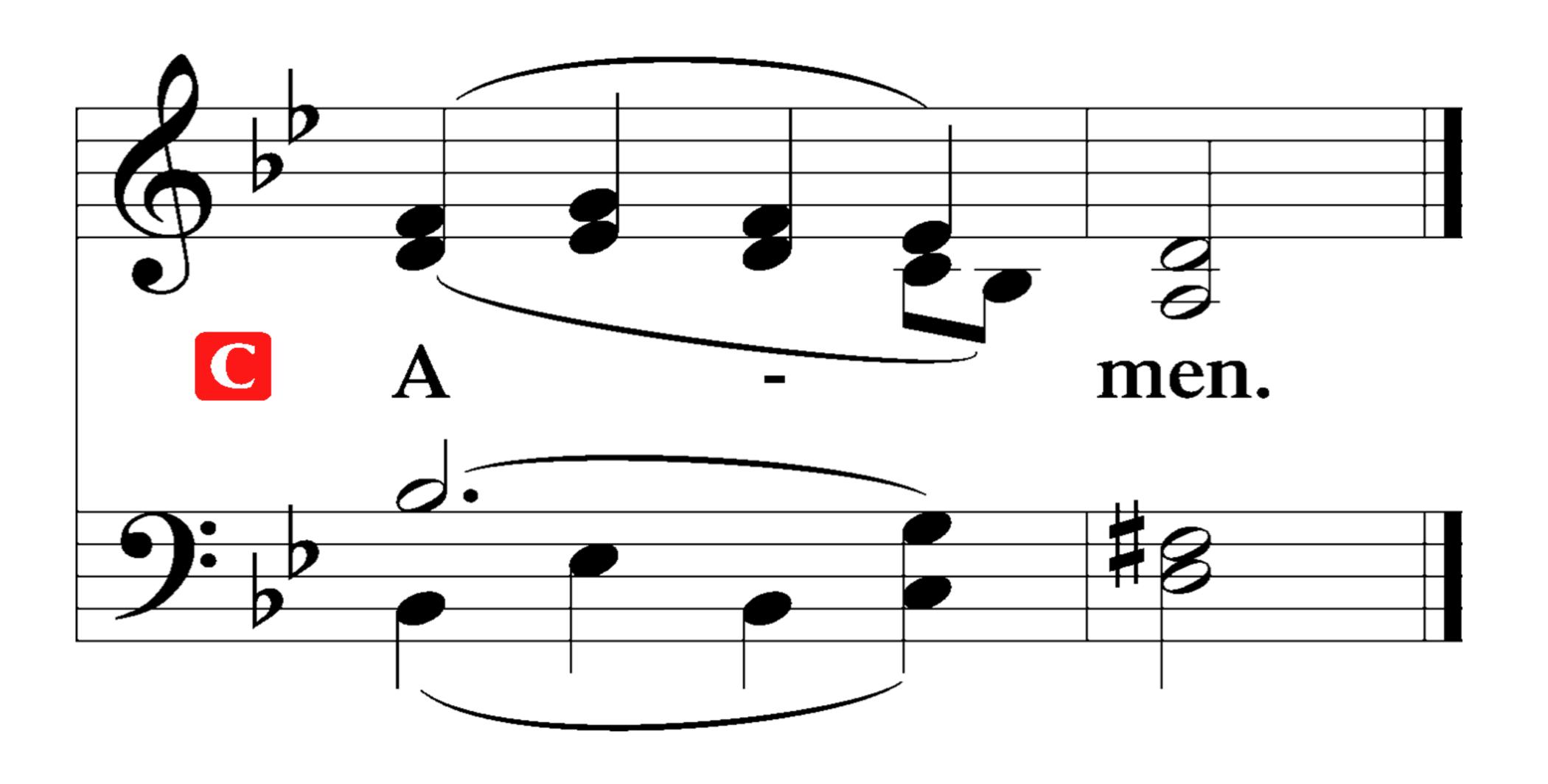


Salutation and Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, You are the Good Shepherd, without whom nothing is secure. Rescue and preserve us that we may not be lost forever but follow You, rejoicing in the way that leads to eternal life; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Salutation and Collect of the Day:



Old Testament Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-24

¹¹"For thus says the Lord God: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. ¹²As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. 14I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of

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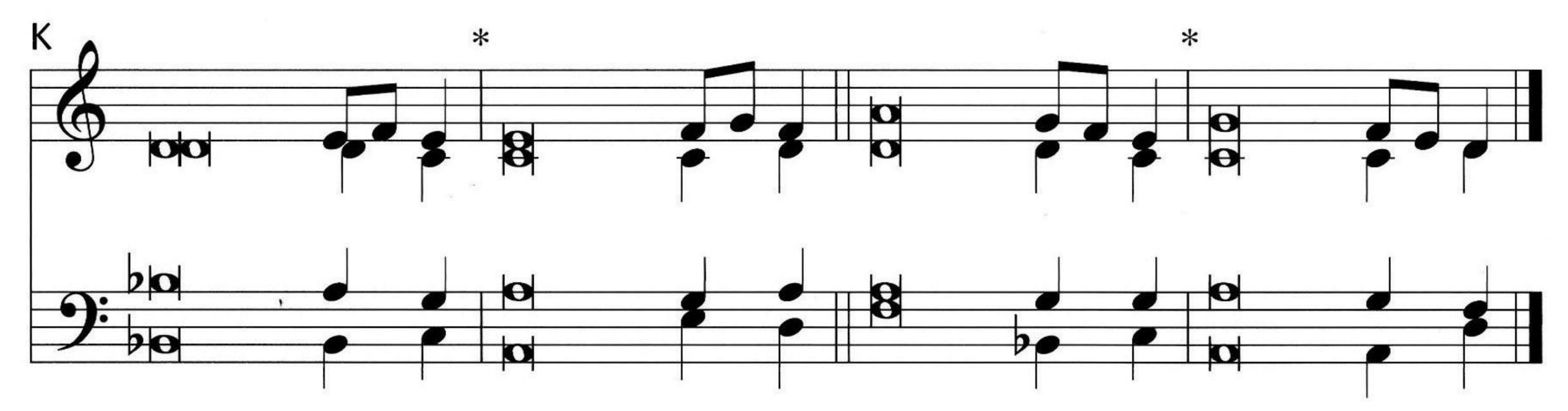
Israel. ¹⁵I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord God. ¹⁶I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

¹⁷"As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord God: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and male goats. ¹⁸Is it not enough for you to feed on the good pasture, that you must tread down with your feet the rest of your pasture; and to drink of clear water, that you must muddy the rest of the water with your feet? 19And must my sheep eat what you have trodden with your feet, and drink what you have muddied with your feet?

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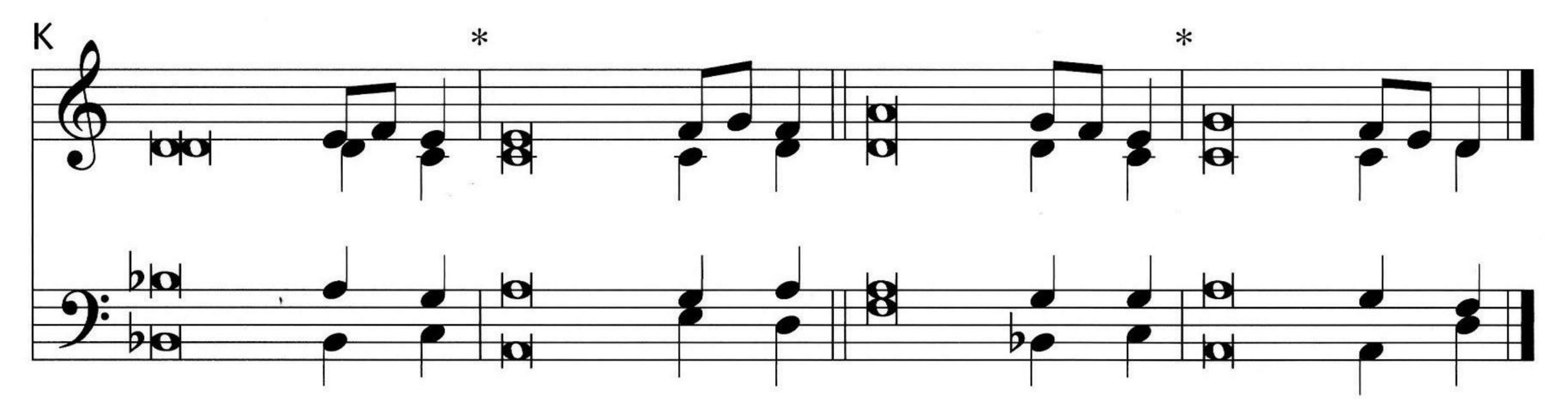
²⁰"Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. ²¹Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, ²²I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. ²³And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. ²⁴And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the Lord; I have spoken."

- This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.



TAW

169Let my cry come before you, O Lord;*
 give me understanding according to your word!
 170Let my plea come be- | fore you;*
 deliver me according to your word.

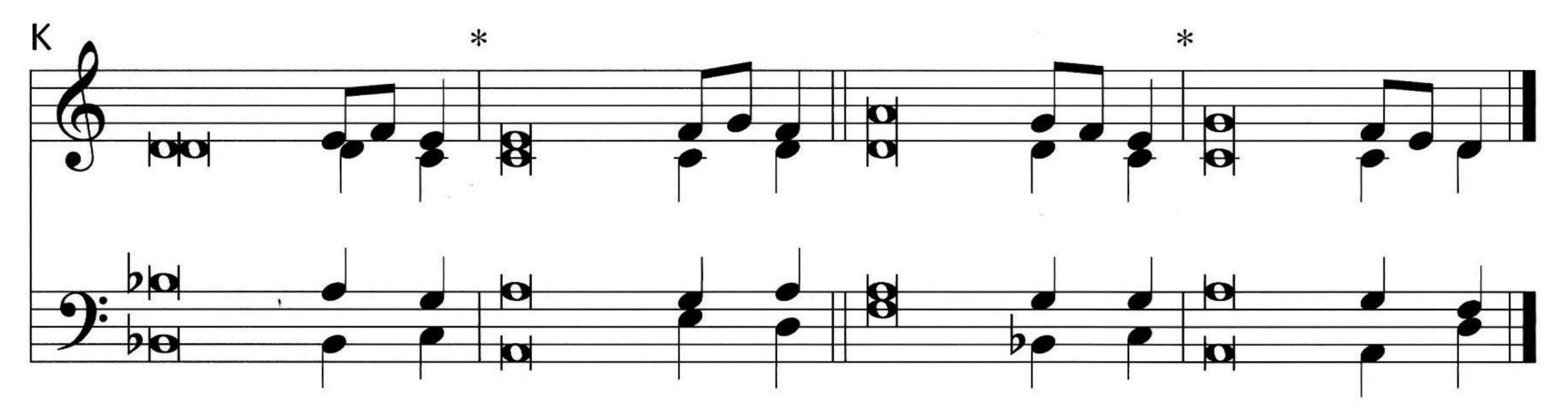


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171 MY LIPS WILL POUR FORTH PRAISE,*

FOR YOU TEACH ME YOUR STATUTES.

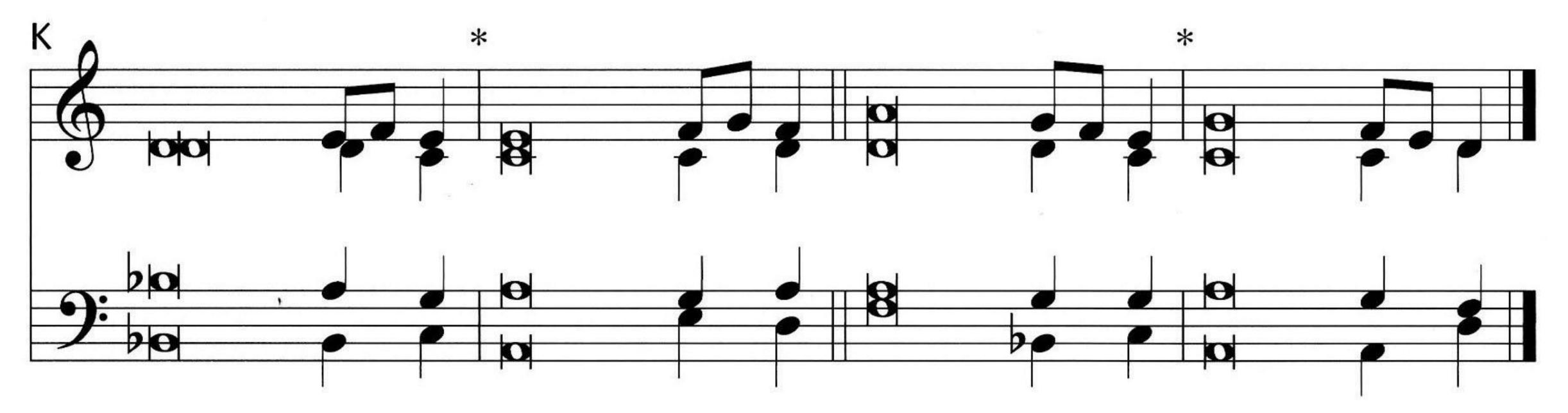
172 MY TONGUE WILL SING OF YOUR WORD,*

FOR ALL YOUR COMMAND- MENTS ARE RIGHT.
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¹⁷³LET YOUR HAND BE READY TO | HELP ME,*
FOR I HAVE CHOSEN YOUR | PRECEPTS.

¹⁷⁴I LONG FOR YOUR SALVATION, | O LORD,*
AND YOUR LAW IS | MY DELIGHT.



- ¹⁷⁵Let my soul live and | praise you,* and let your just decrees | help me.
- ¹⁷⁶I have gone astray like a lost sheep; seek your | servant,* for I do not forget your com- | mandments.

Epistle: 1 Timothy 1:5-17

⁵The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith. ⁶Certain persons, by swerving from these, have wandered away into vain discussion, ⁷desiring to be teachers of the law, without understanding either what they are saying or the things about which they make confident assertions.

⁸Now we know that the law is good, if one uses it lawfully, ⁹understanding this, that the law is not laid down for the just but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who strike their fathers and mothers, for murderers, ¹⁰the sexually immoral, men who practice homosexuality, enslavers, liars, perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound doctrine,

Epistle: 1 Timothy 1:5-17

¹¹in accordance with the glorious gospel of the blessed God with which I have been entrusted.

¹²I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, ¹³though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, 14 and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those

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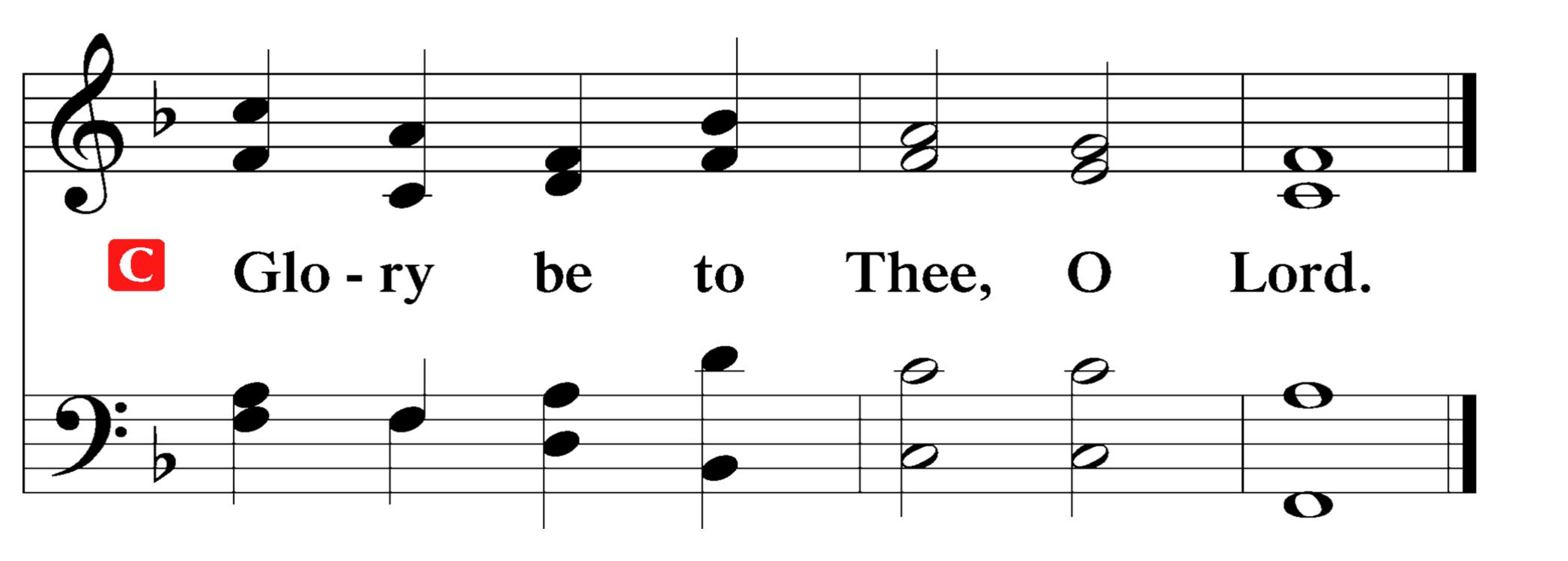
who were to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

- This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Alleluia



The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifteenth chapter.



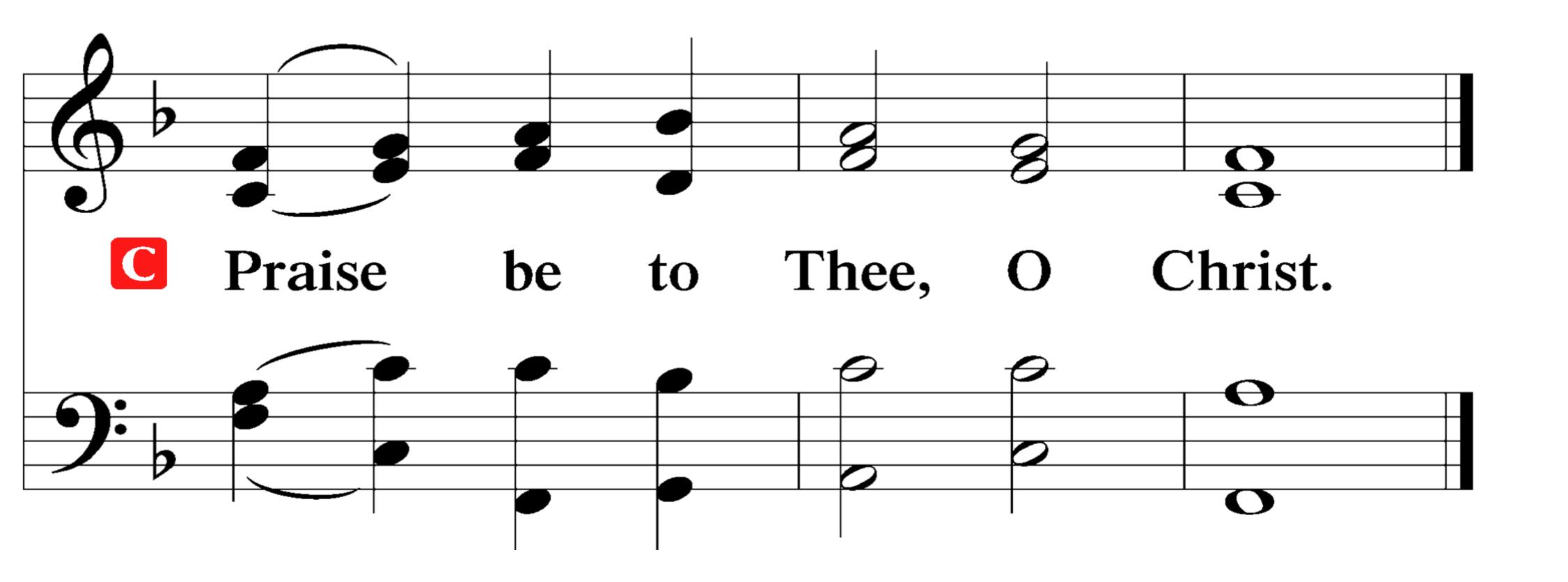
¹Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear [Jesus]. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them."

³So he told them this parable: ⁴"What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? ⁵And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.'

⁷Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

8"Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? 9And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' 10Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell.

Apostles' Creed



The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

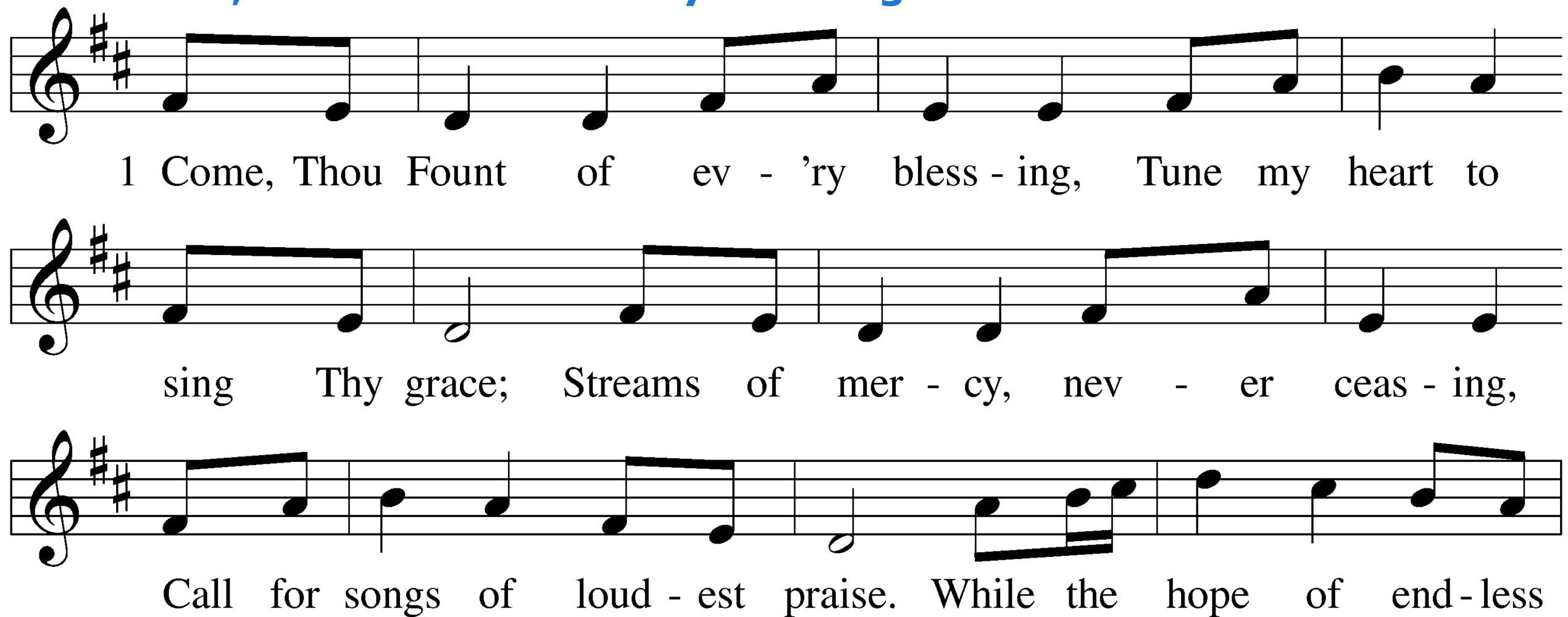
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

Apostles' Creed

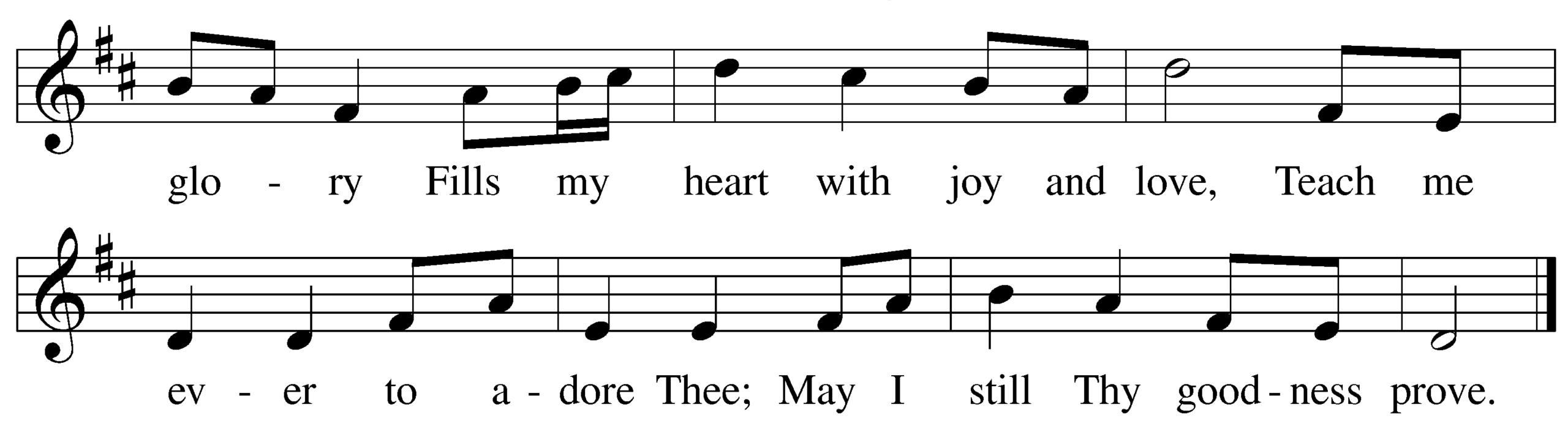
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life

everlasting. Amen.

686 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

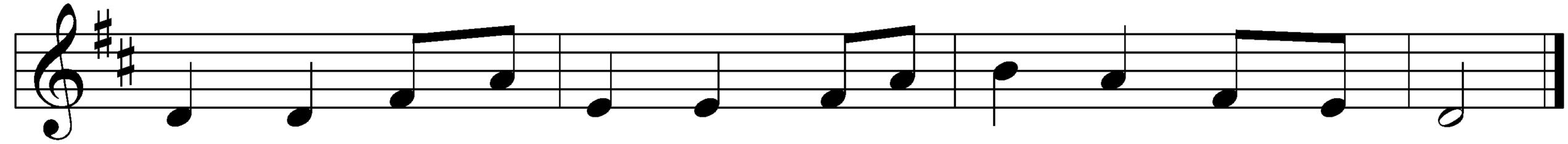


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686 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 2 Here Eb - en - e - zer, Hith - er by raise my Thy good plea - sure, I've come; And hope, by ar - rive at home. Je - sus sought me when a Safe - ly to strang - er, Wan - d'ring from the fold of God; He,

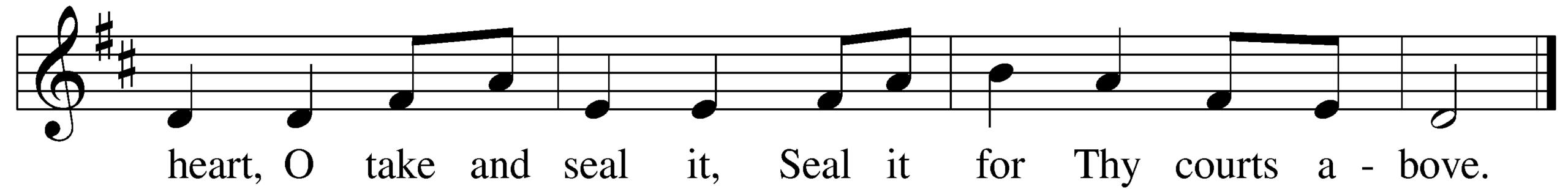
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res - cue me from dan - ger, In - ter-posed His pre - cious blood.

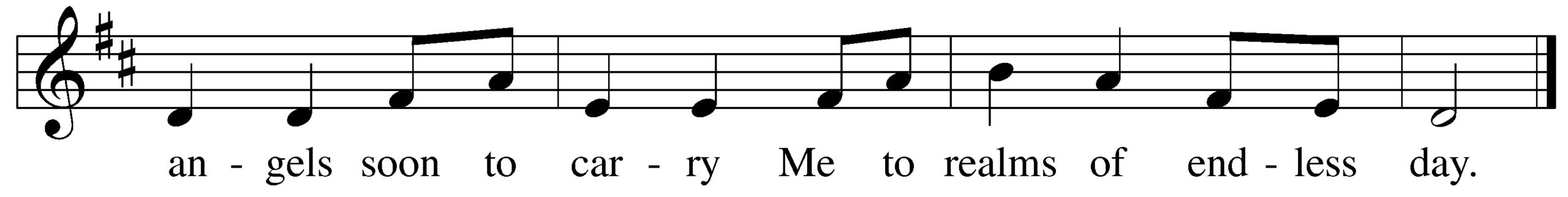
686 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con -3 Oh, to grace that grace now like a strained to be; Let fet - ter Bind my wan-d'ring heart to Thee: Prone to wan - der, Lord, I it; feel leave the God I love. Here's my Prone to

686 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing



686 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 4 Oh, day when freed from sin - ning, I shall see Thy that Clothed then in the blood - washed lin - en, face; sing Thy won-drous grace! Come, my Lord, no long-er tar - ry; Take my ran - som'd soul a - way; Send Thine

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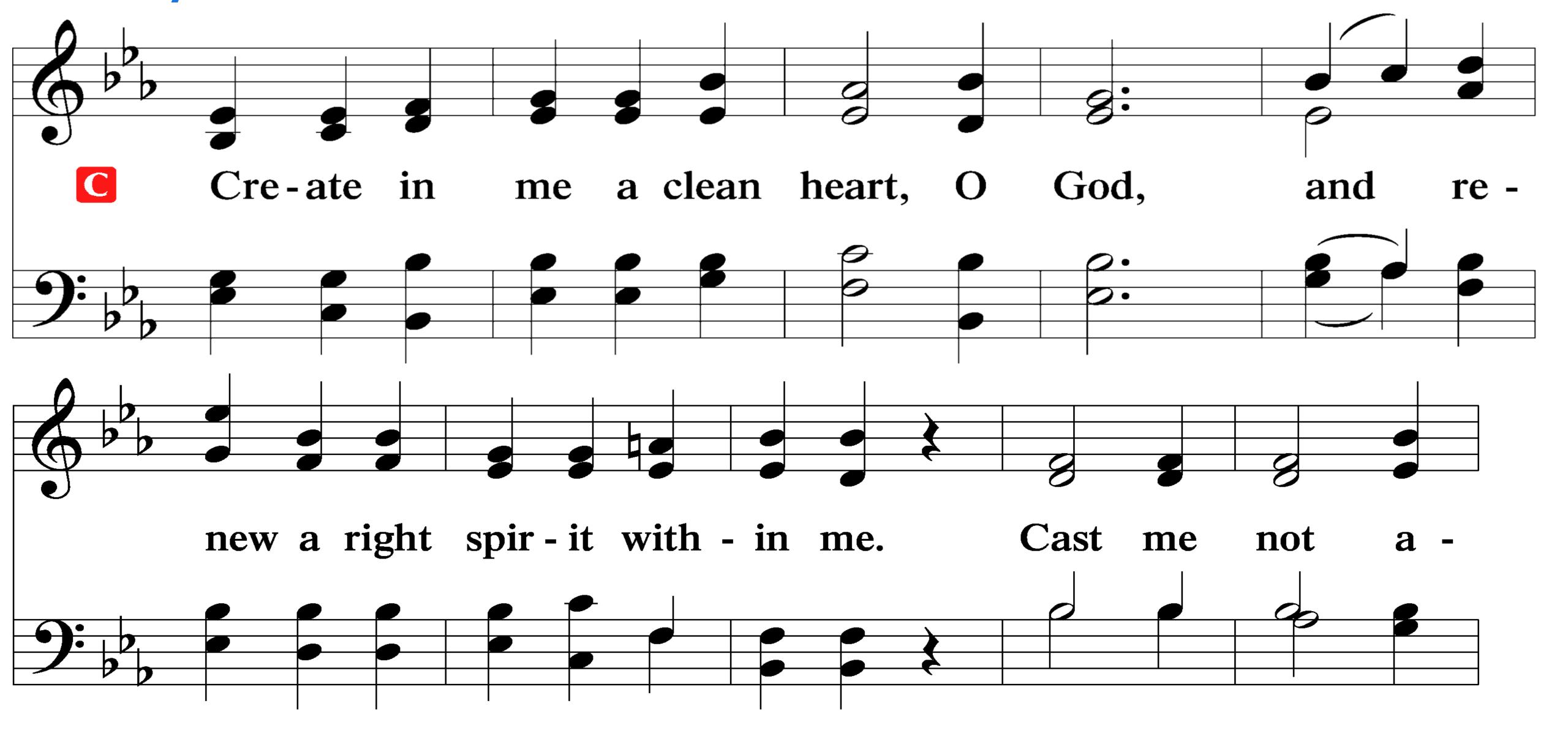
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Offertory



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Let us pray to the Lord, who in Christ will hear our prayers and, in His time, turn our mourning into dancing.

Heavenly Father, heaven rejoices when a sinner repents. Guard us against self-righteousness that sees no need to hear of Christ and His redemption, and preserve us in Your Word and grace, that as Your people we might always be about the proclamation of repentance and the forgiveness of sins for the sake of Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

- Almighty God, You call pastors and set them to the task of shepherding Your people. Bless them in their work of providing Your gifts to those You have gathered and as they seek those who have wandered away. Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.
- O Lord, look with favor on the households of this congregation, and grant that all may live in love that issues from a pure heart, a good conscience and a sincere faith. Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.

- P King of the ages, immortal and invisible, the only God, look in kindness upon all entrusted with public office in our land, and grant them wisdom and courage to serve our nation according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.
- Lord God, You promise to shepherd Your sheep for the sake of Jesus. According to Your Word, seek the lost, bring back the stray, bind up the injured and strengthen the weak. Have mercy especially upon Katherine, David, Juan, Don, Janette _____ and upon all who look to You for deliverance. Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.

- For this Rescue Mission that it may serve many in the name of Christ, giving hope to the downcast as well as food for the hungry, that all who enter here would be blessed, those who come in need as well as those who come in service. Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.
- For the African mission that it may joyfully proclaim the Name of Christ and bear much fruit in spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.

- The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. For Pastor Zogar's pastor training school in Liberia that God would use it to raise up laborers fit for His harvest. Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.

- We recall with thanksgiving, O Lord, those who served You in days past and now rest from their labors, and we pray that You would keep us in fellowship with all Your saints. By this holy communion, give us grace to sustain us through the changes and chances of this mortal life, and keep us to that day when Christ shall call us unto Himself and we shall know Him face to face in the marriage supper of the Lamb that knows no end. Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.

- We entrust all these petitions to Your care, loving Father, confident in Your great mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who is worshiped together with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Closing Collect

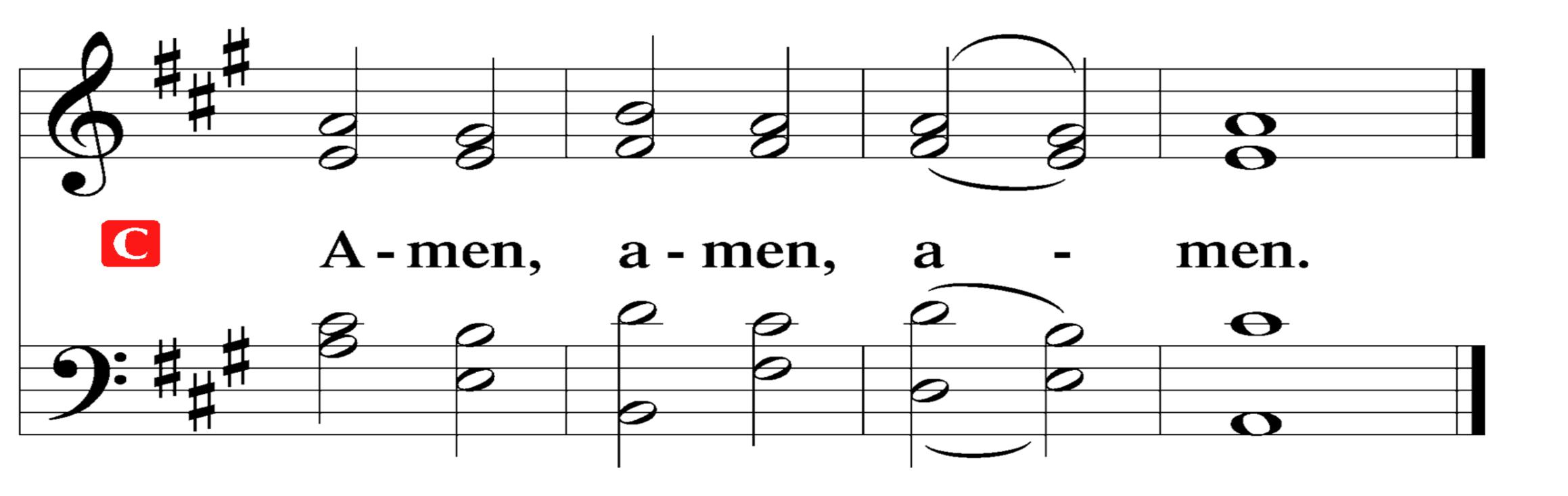
Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who taught us to pray...

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.

Benediction

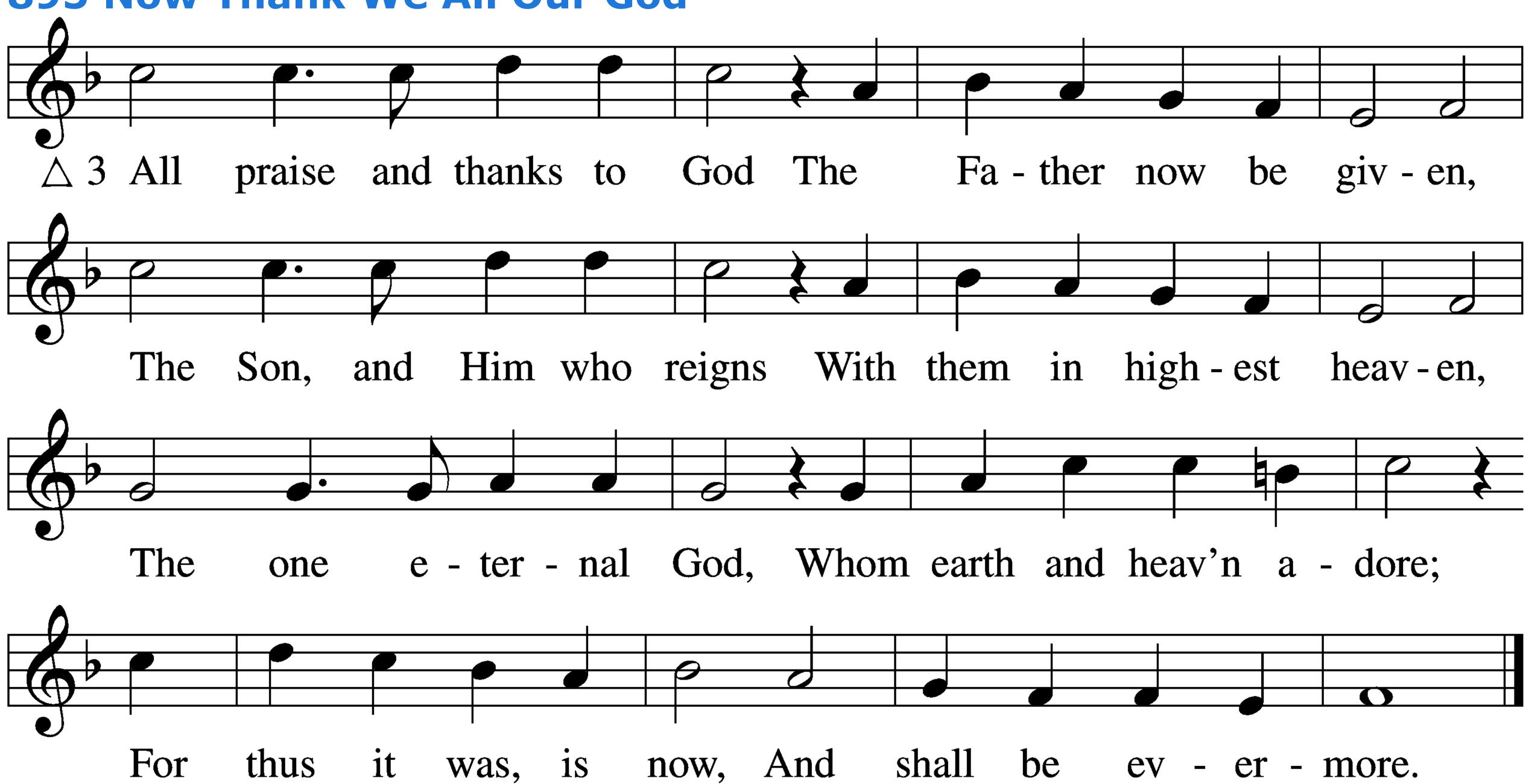
The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and 🕂 give you peace.



895 Now Thank We All Our God 1 Now thank God With hearts and hands and voic - es, all we our Who won-drous things has done, In whom His world re - joic - es; our moth-ers' arms from Who Has blest us on our way With count-less gifts of love And still is ours to - day.

895 Now Thank We All Our God this boun-teous God Through all our life be near us, ev - er joy - ful hearts And bless - ed peace to cheer us His grace And guide us when per-plexed And in us And free us from all ills In this world and the next!

895 Now Thank We All Our God



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