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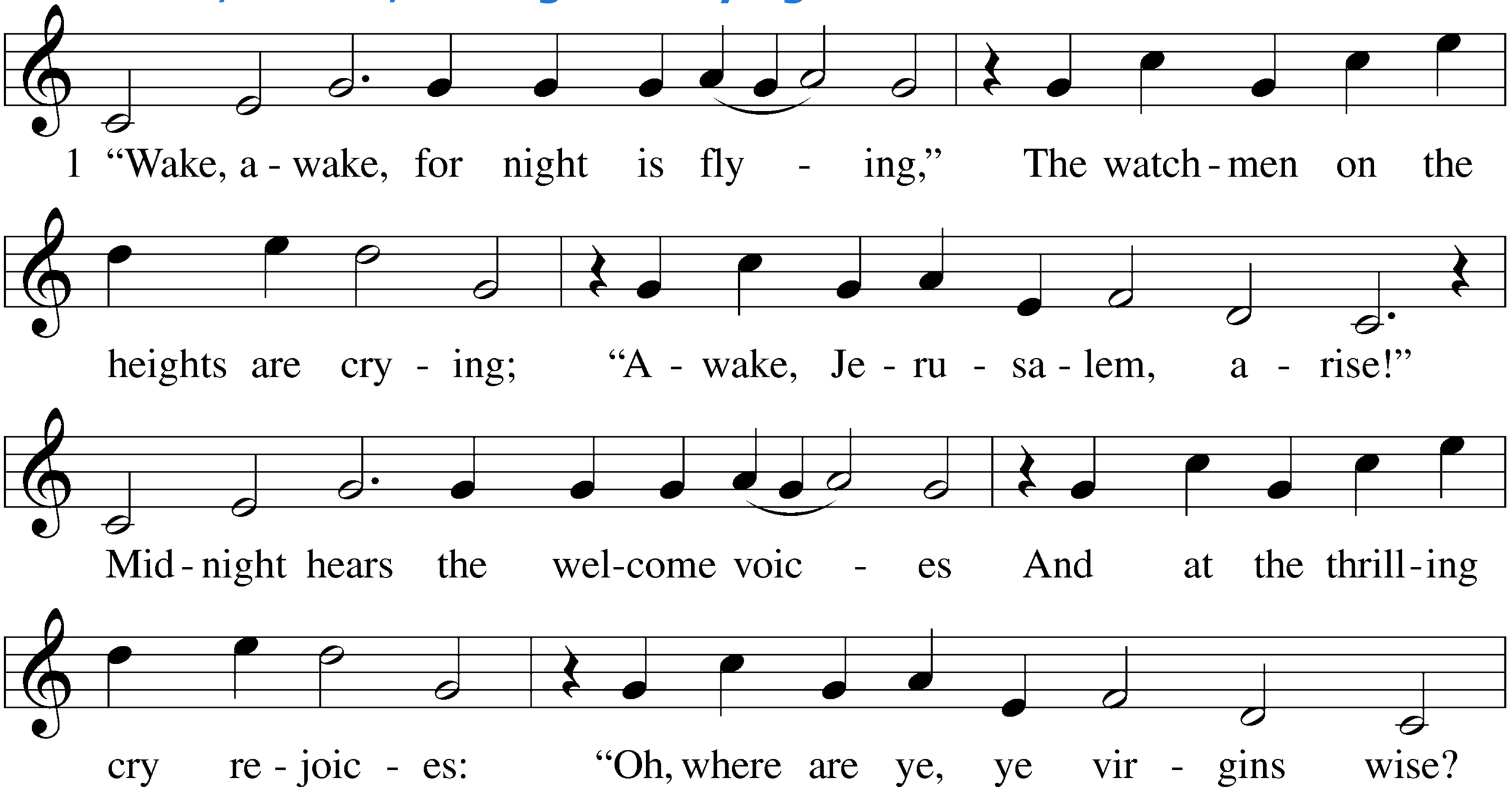


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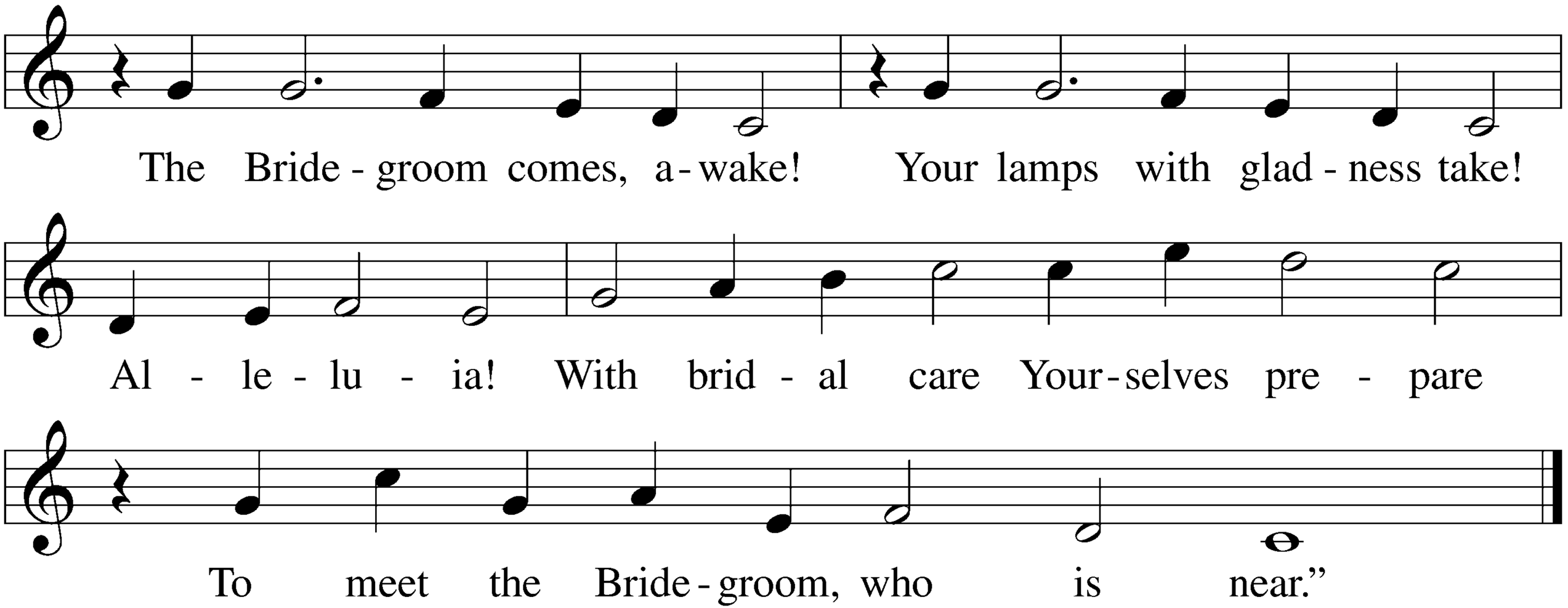
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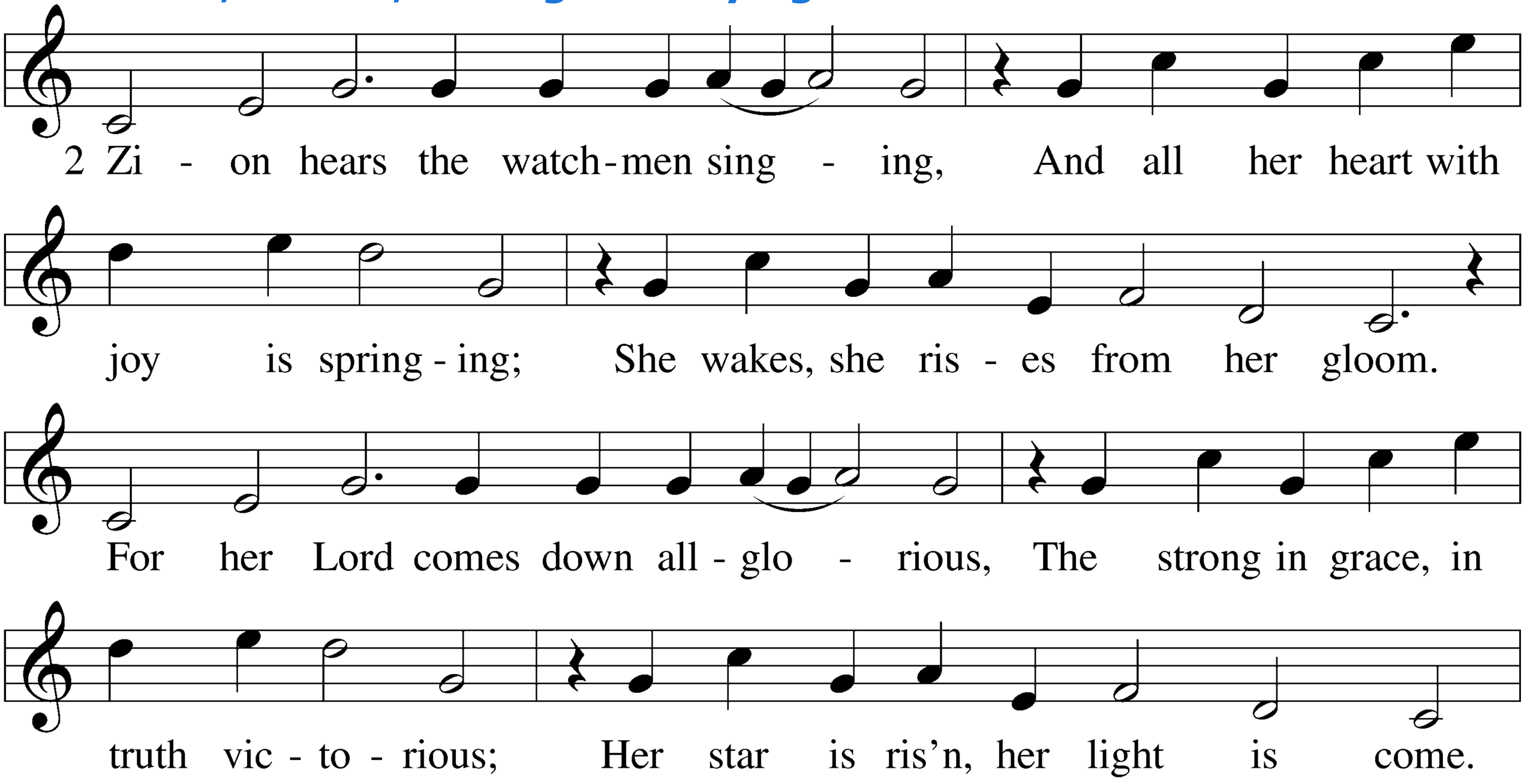
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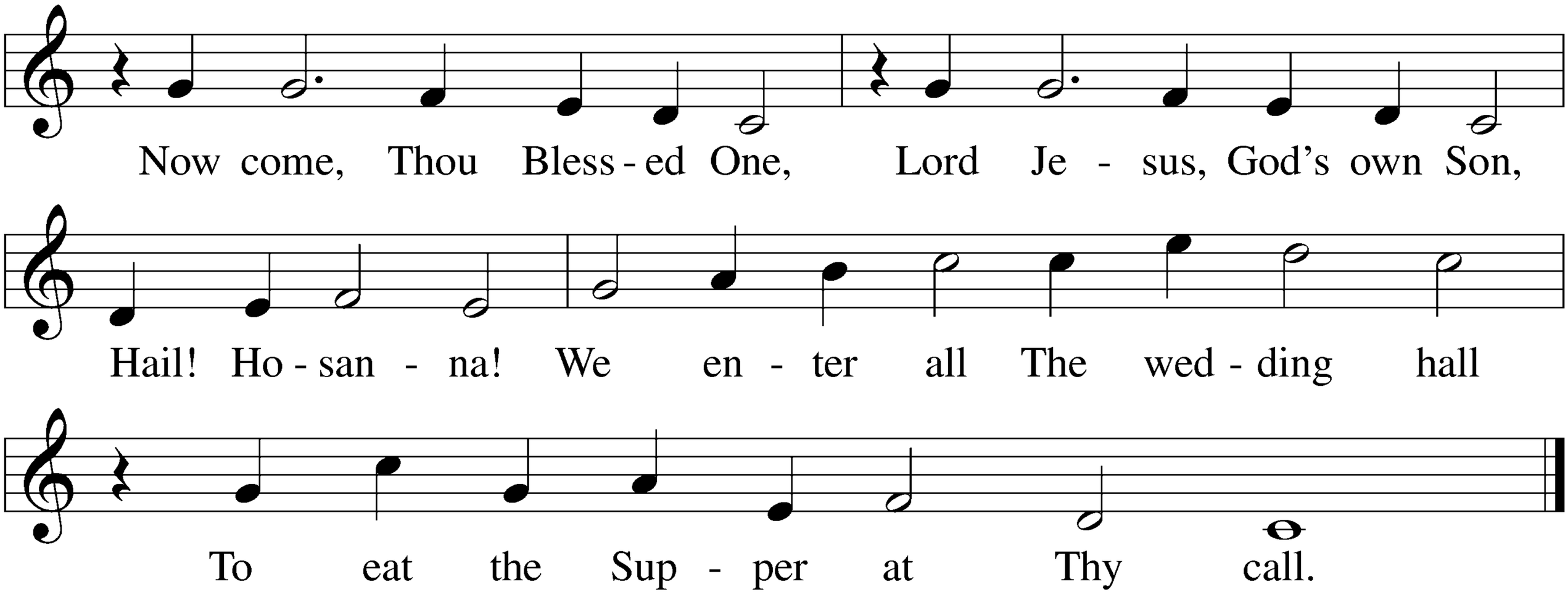
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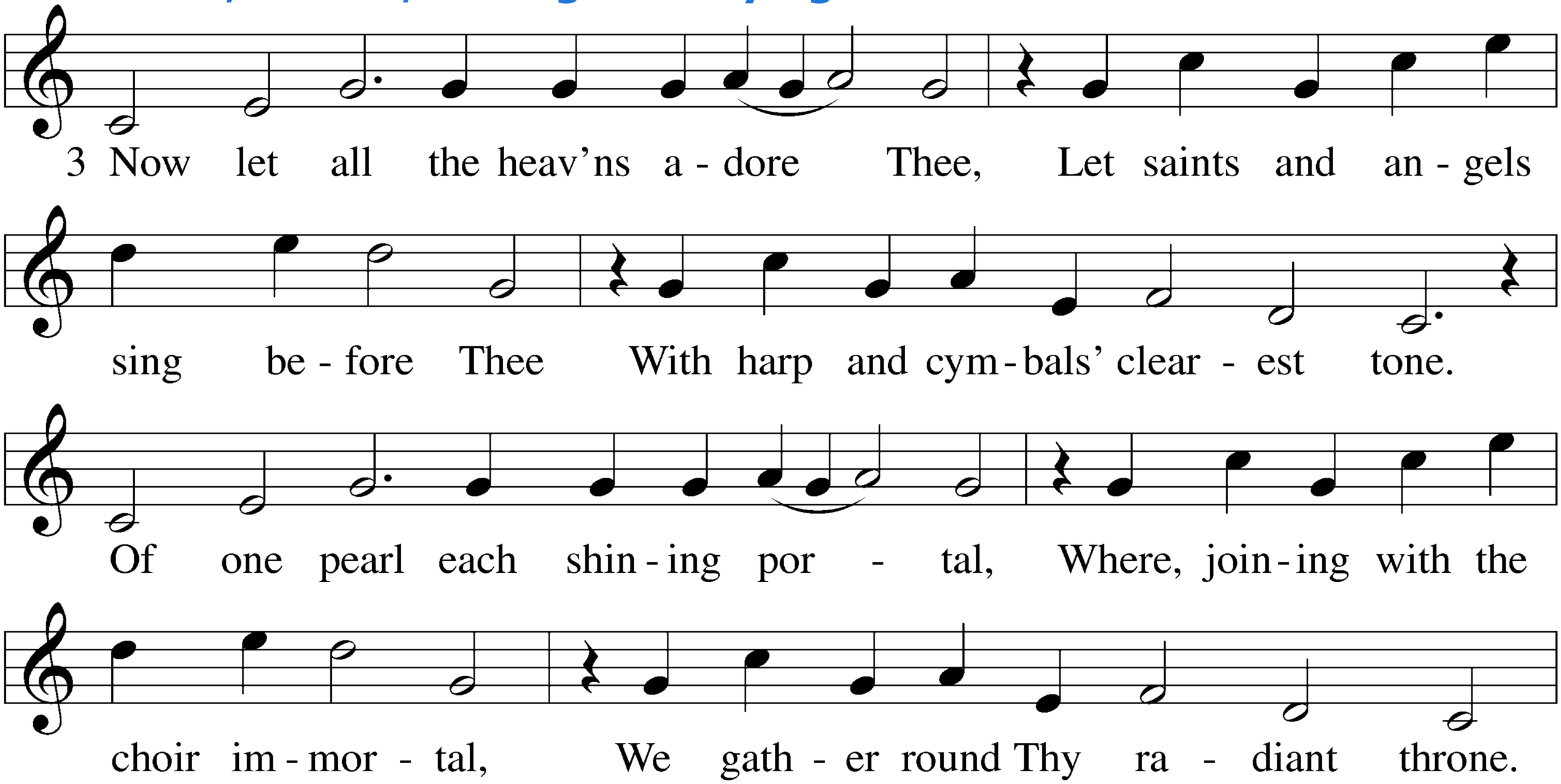


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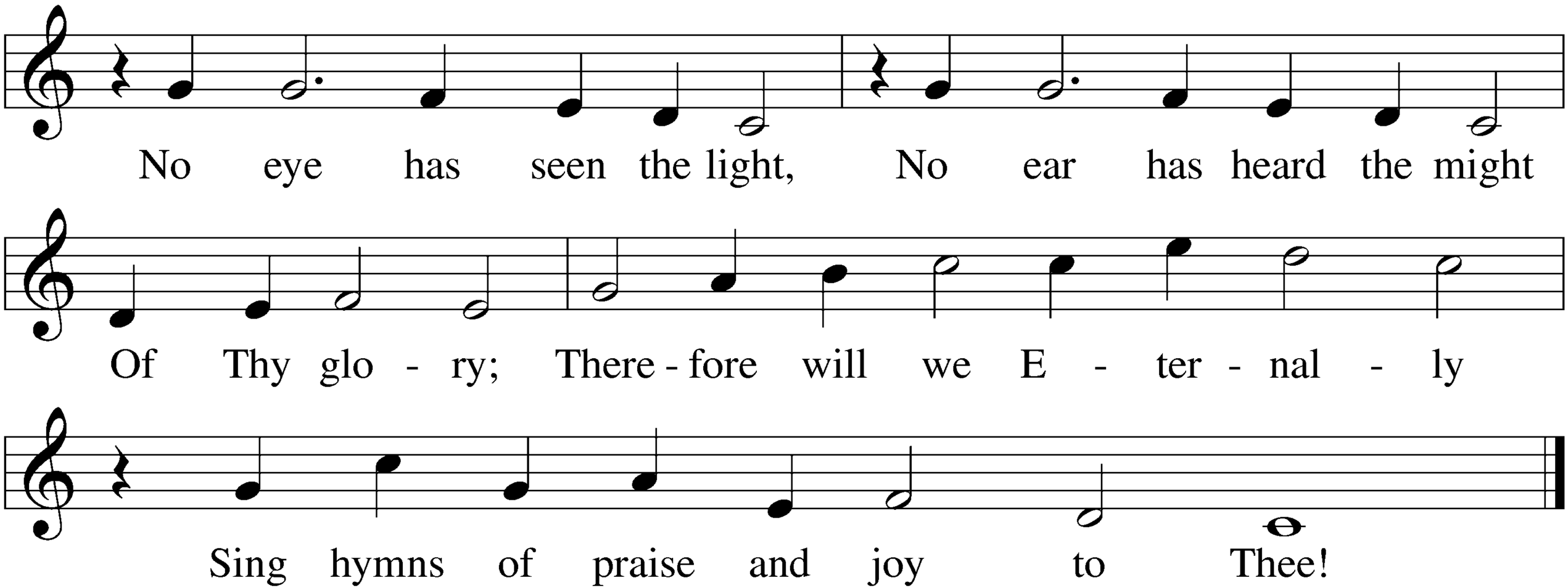


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Invocation

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

P In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son
and of the Holy Spirit.

C **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.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Confession of Sins

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **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.**

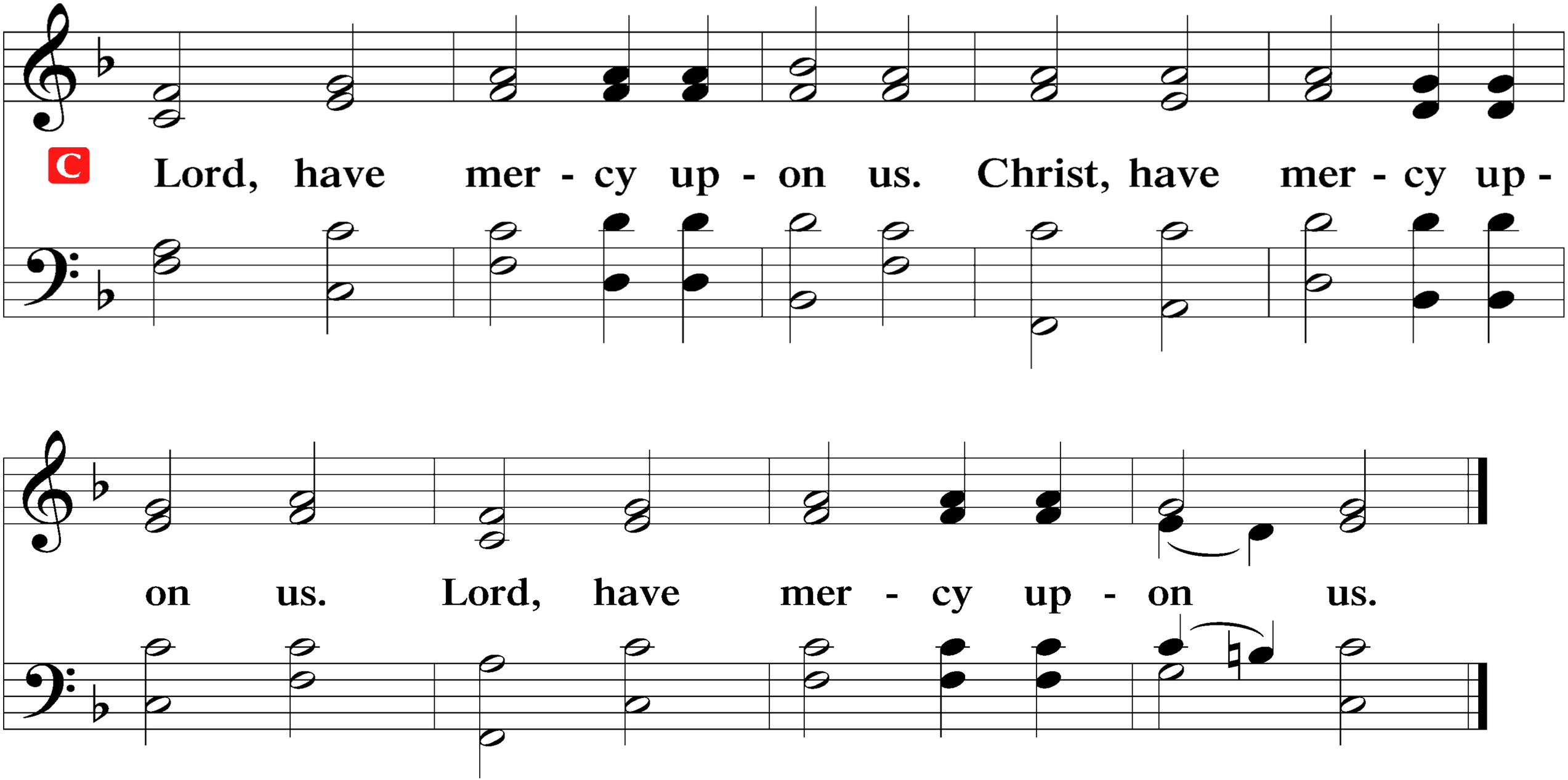
Declaration of Grace

P 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.

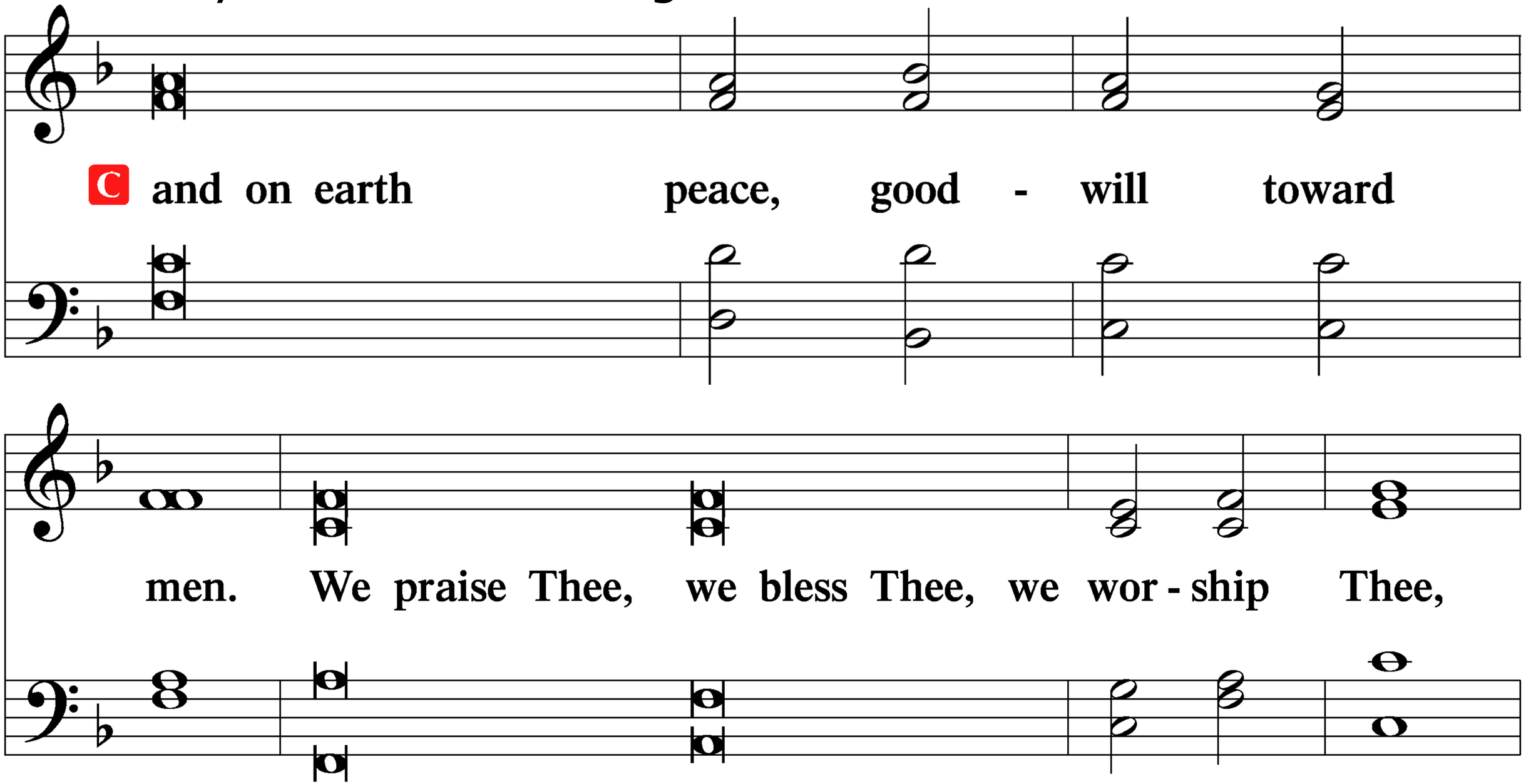
C **Amen.**

Kyrie

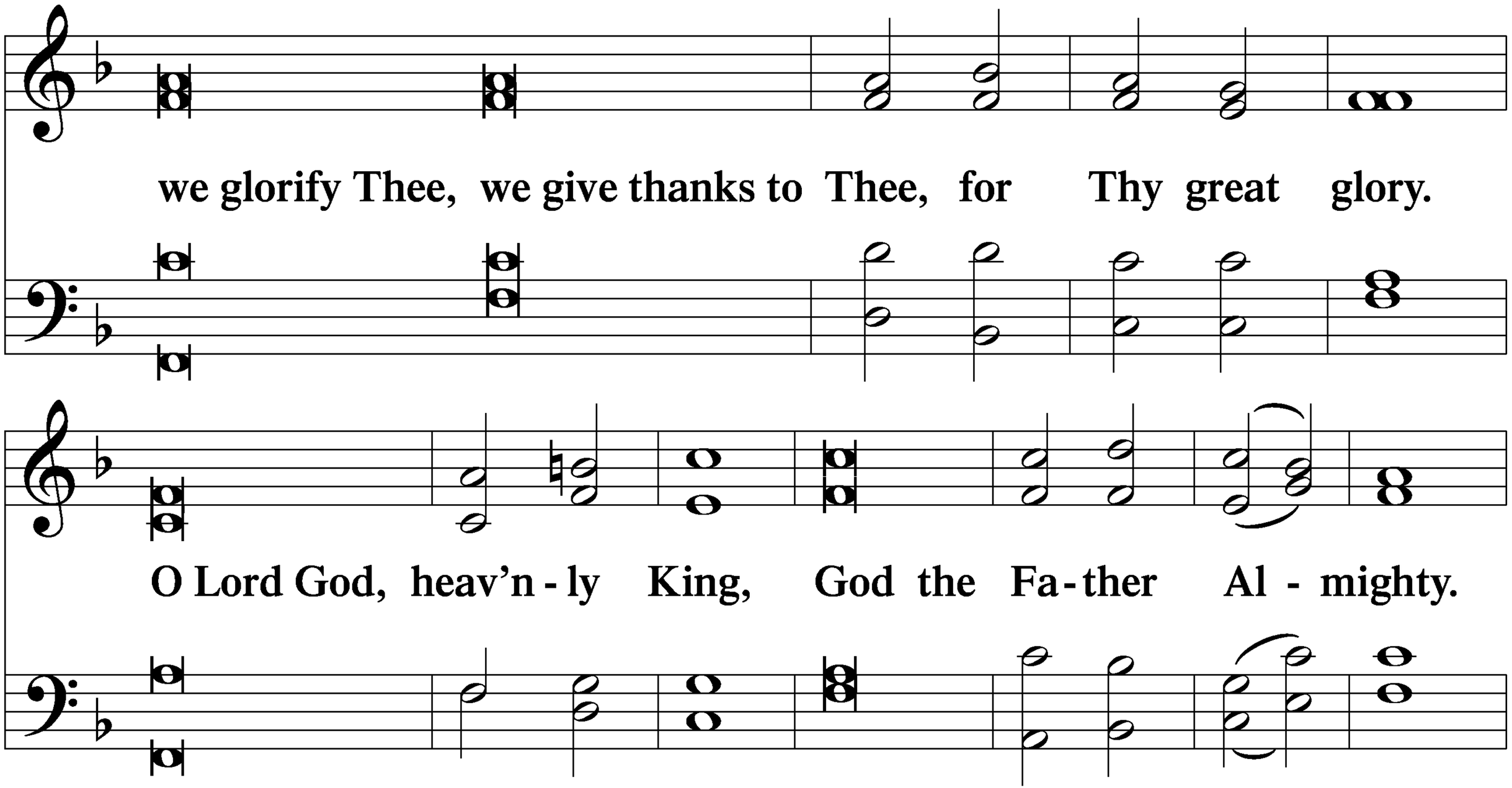

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Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

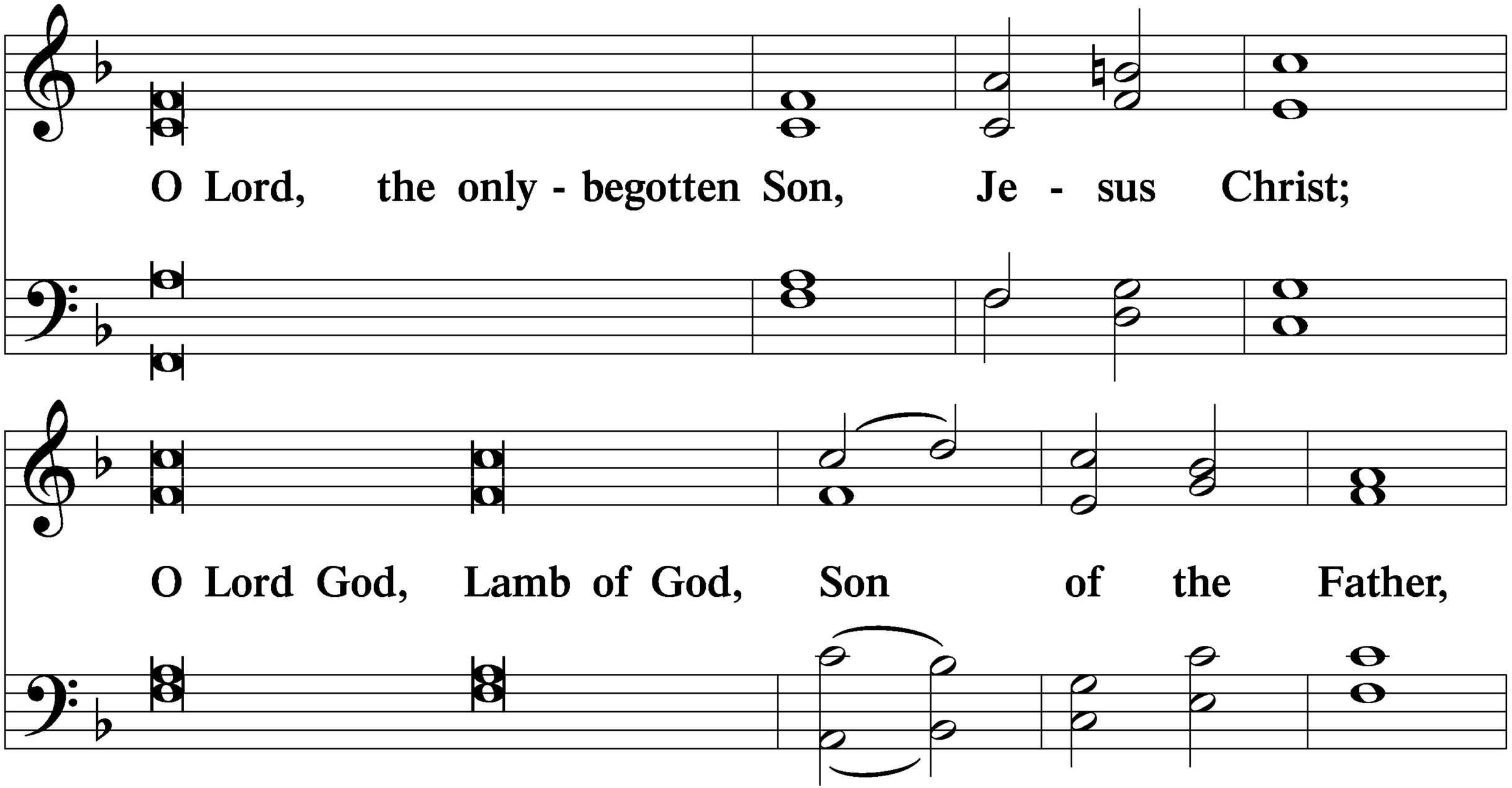
P Glory be to God on high:
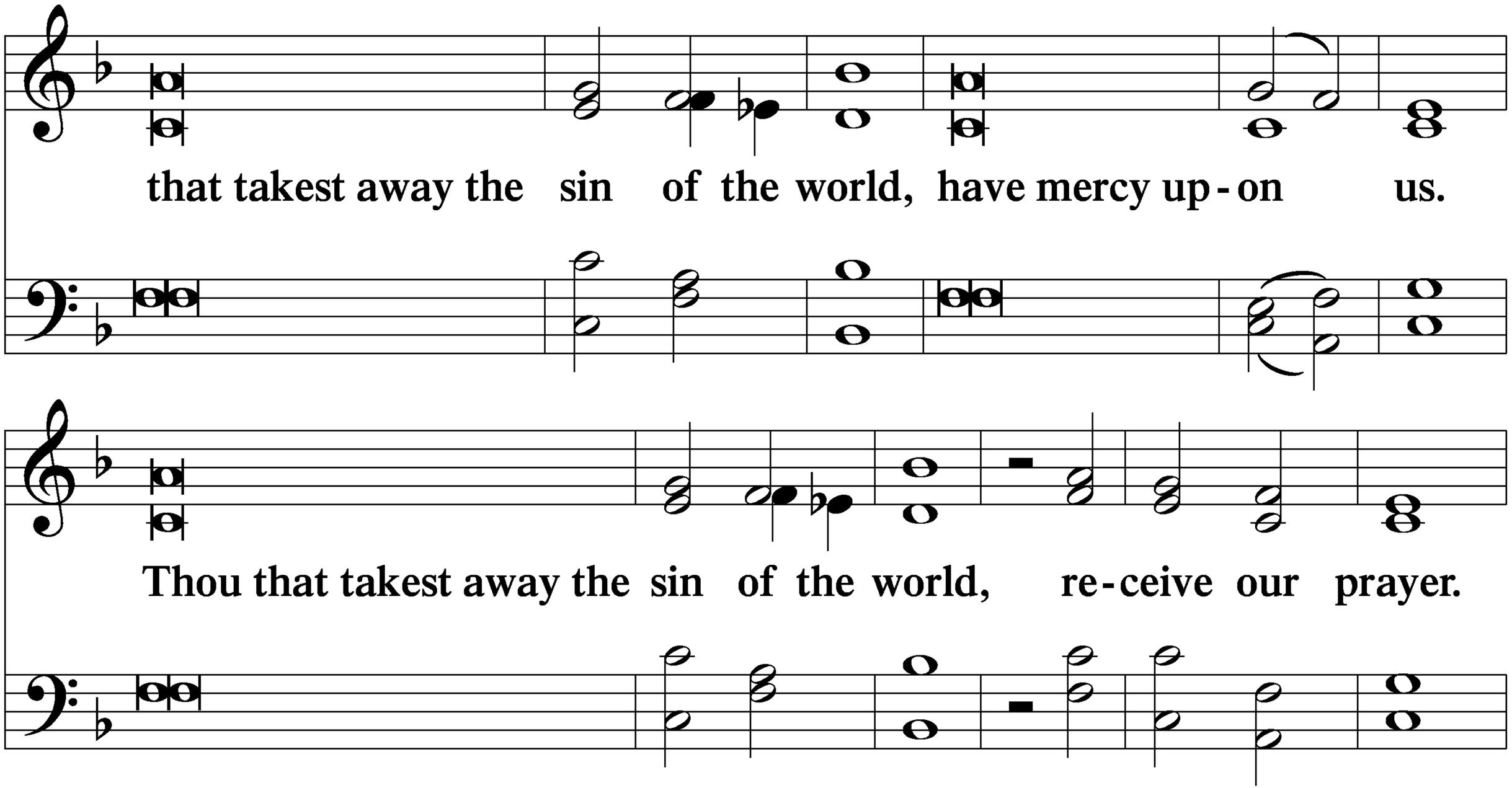


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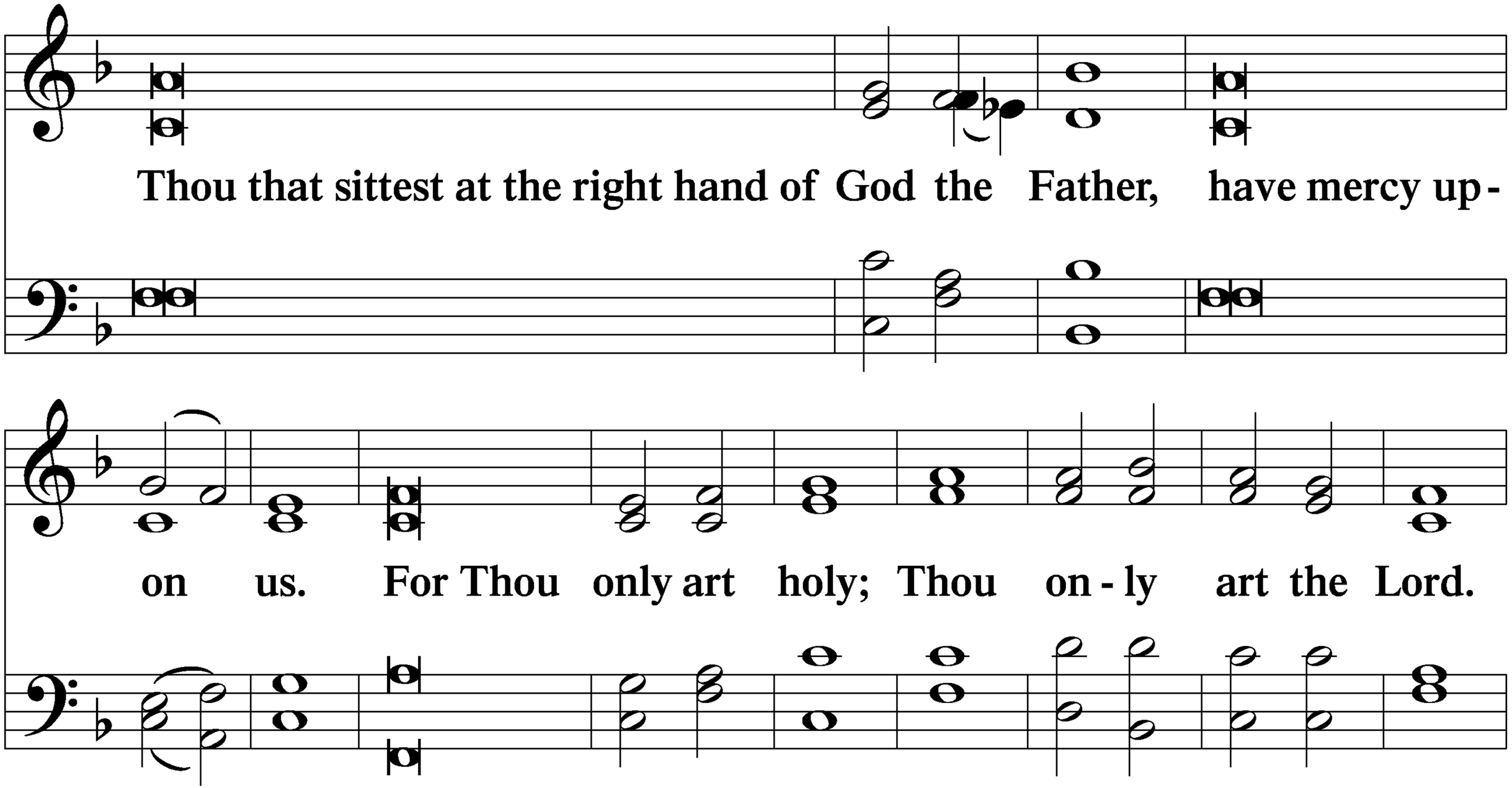
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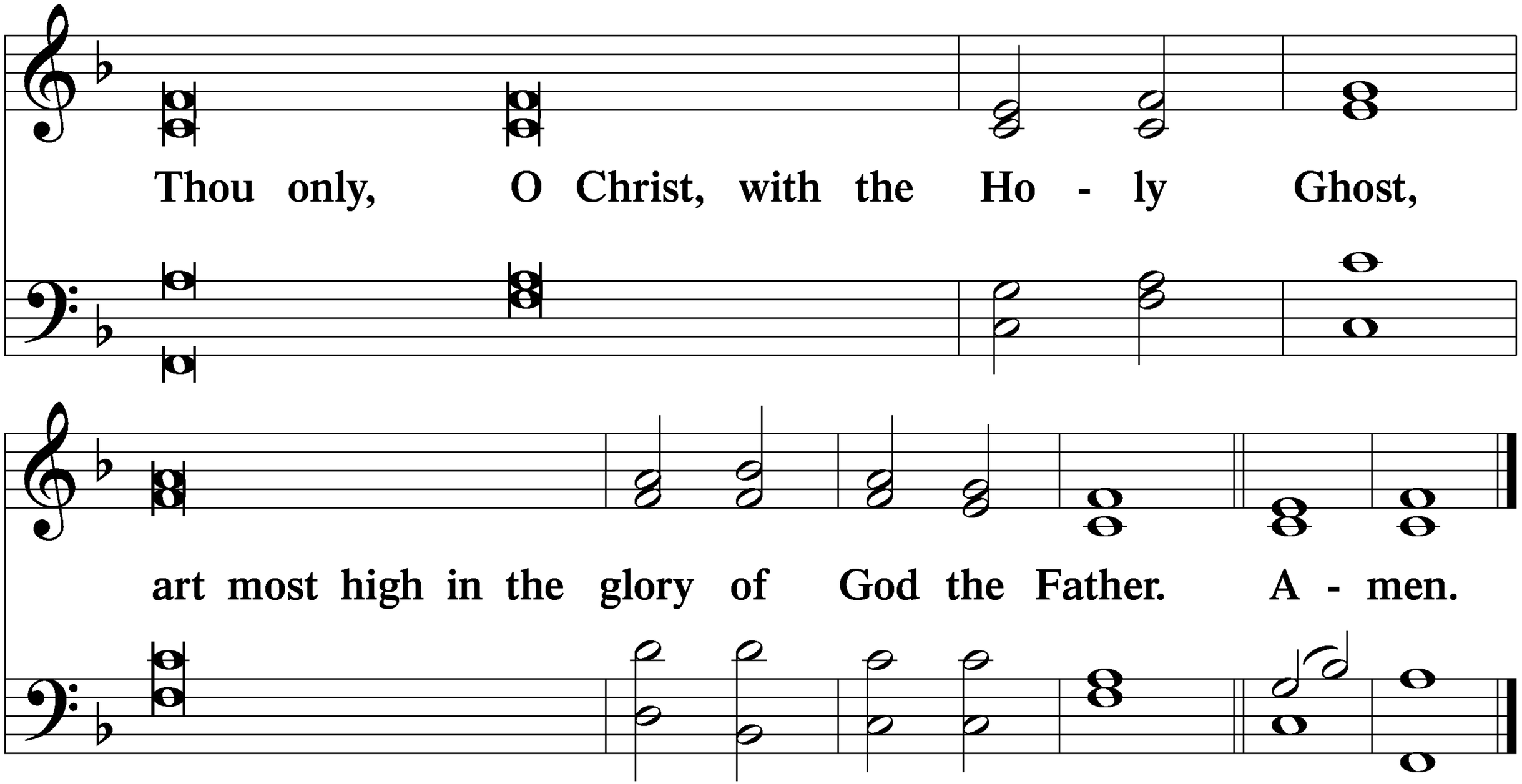


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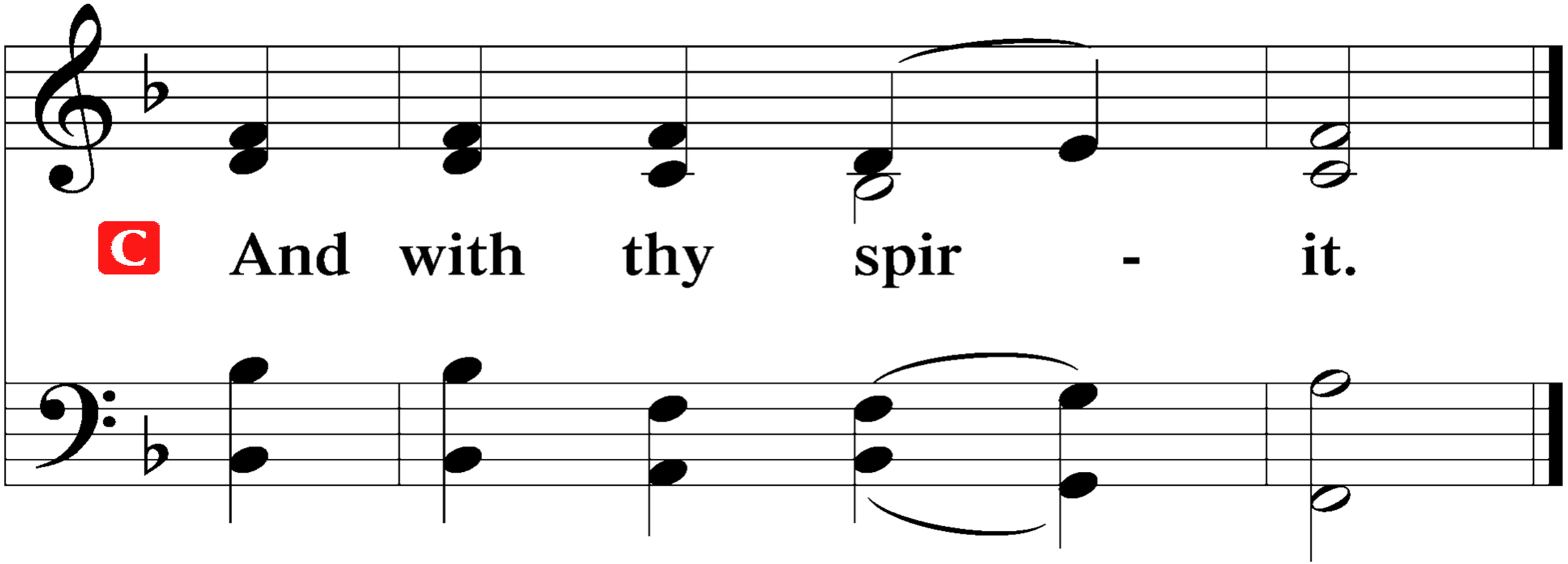


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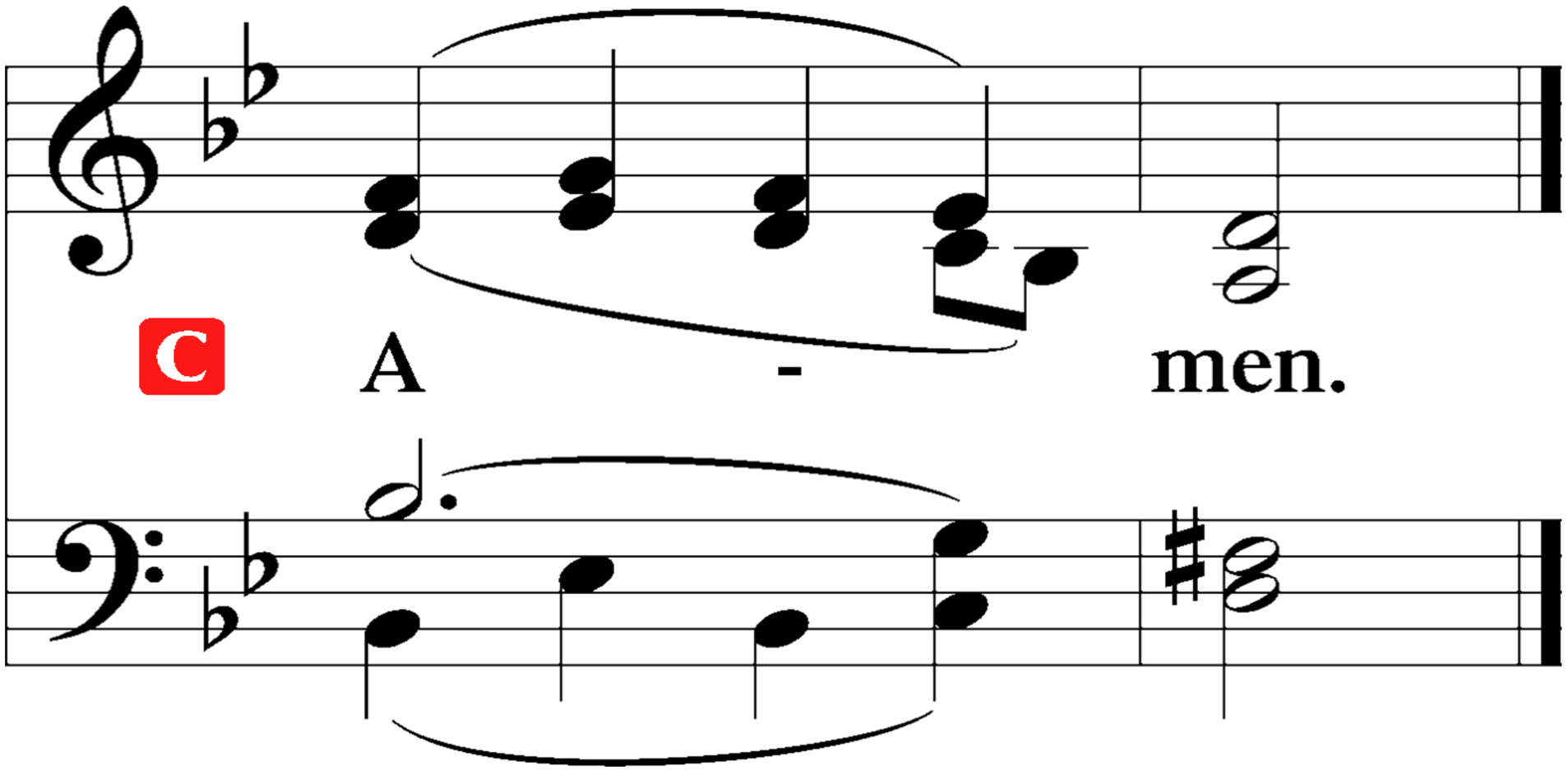
P The Lord be with you.



Salutation and Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.
Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Son to lead home His bride, the Church, that with all the company of the redeemed we may finally enter into His eternal wedding feast; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Salutation and Collect of the Day:



Old Testament Reading: Amos 5:18–24

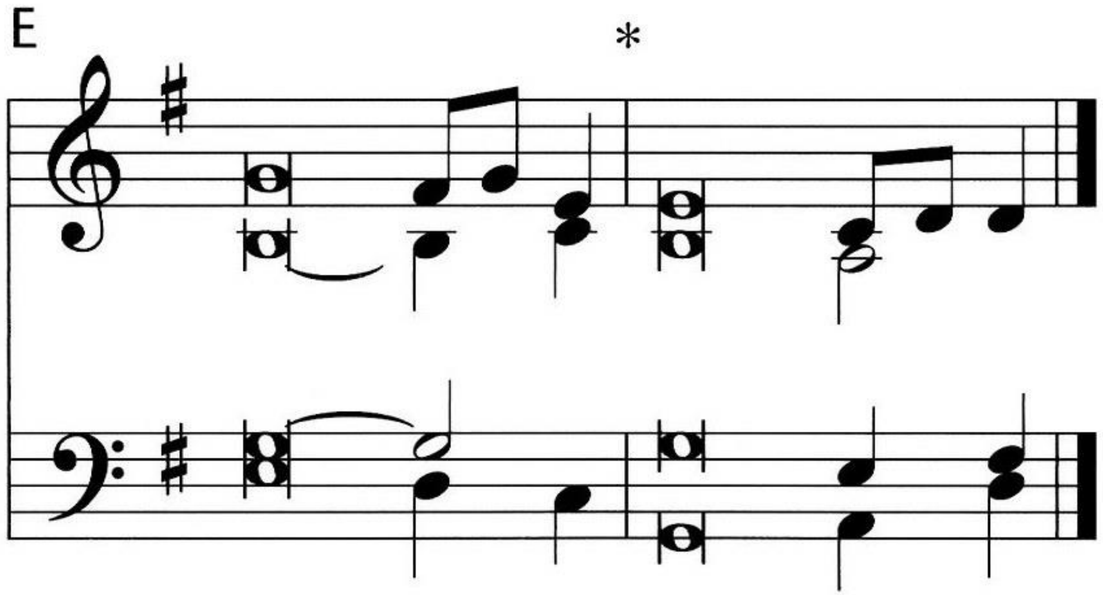
18 Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD!
Why would you have the day of the LORD?
It is darkness, and not light,
19 as if a man fled from a lion,
and a bear met him,
or went into the house and leaned his hand
against the wall,
and a serpent bit him.
20 Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light,
and gloom with no brightness in it?
21 "I hate, I despise your feasts,
and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.

Old Testament Reading: Amos 5:18–24

22 Even though you offer me your burnt offerings
and grain offerings,
I will not accept them;
and the peace offerings of your fattened animals,
I will not look upon them.
23 Take away from me the noise of your songs;
to the melody of your harps I will not listen.
24 But let justice roll down like waters,
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.”

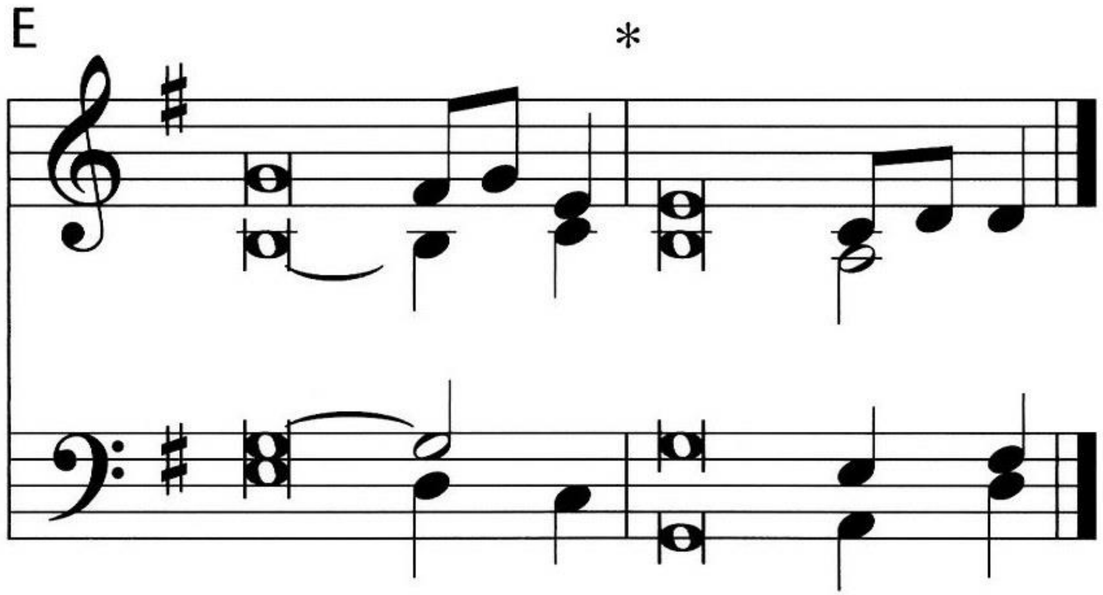
A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 70



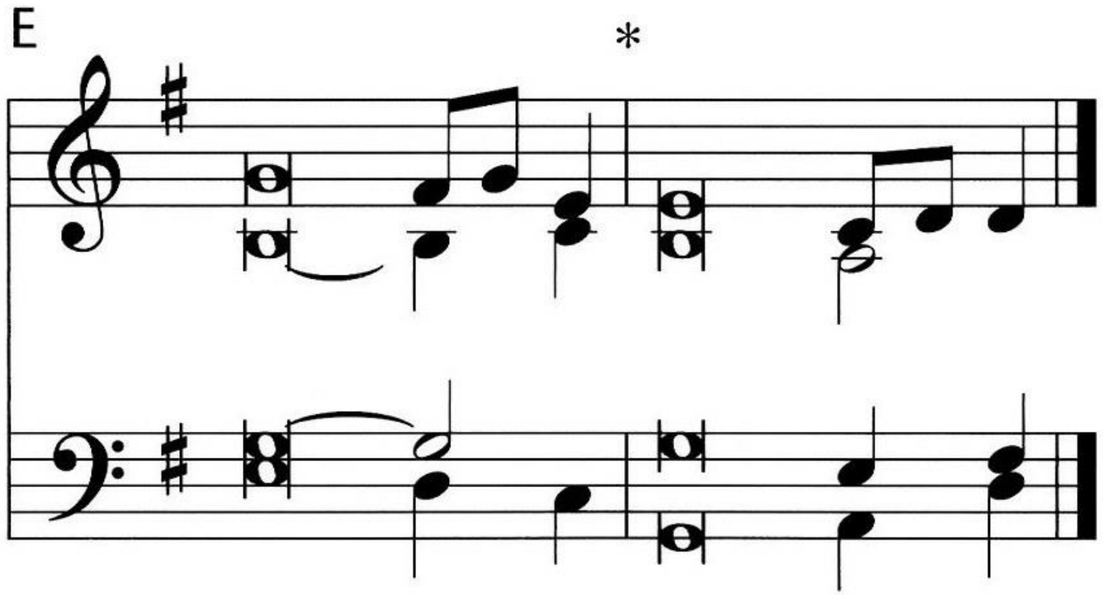
[1]Make haste, O God, to de- | liver me!*
O LORD, make haste to | help me!
[2]Let them be put to shame and confusion
who | seek my life!*
Let them be turned back and brought to dishonor
who de- | sire my hurt!

Psalm 70



[3]Let them turn back because | of their shame*
who say, “A- | ha, Aha!”
[4]May all who seek you rejoice and be | glad in you!*
May those who love your salvation
say evermore, | “God is great!”

Psalm 70



5But I am poor and needy;
hasten to me, | O God!*
You are my help and my deliverer;
O LORD, do | not delay!

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 4:13–18

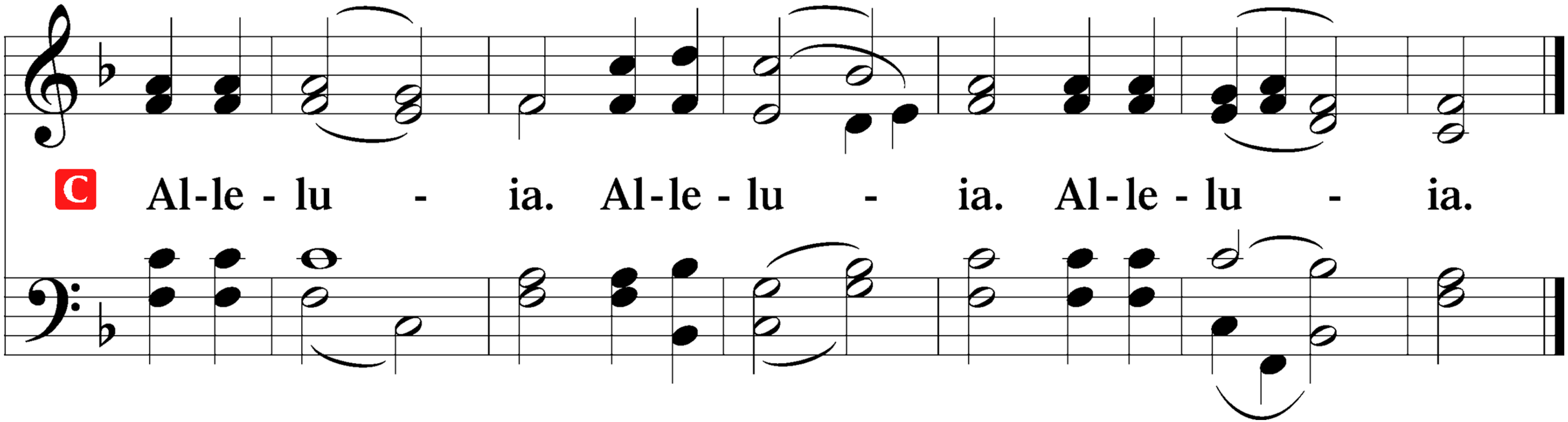
13 But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about
those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do
who have no hope. 14 For since we believe that Jesus died and
rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him
those who have fallen asleep. 15 For this we declare to you by
a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left
until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have
fallen asleep. 16 For the Lord himself will descend from heaven
with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and
with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ
will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive, who are left, will be
caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord
in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord.

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 4:13–18

18 Therefore encourage one another with these words.
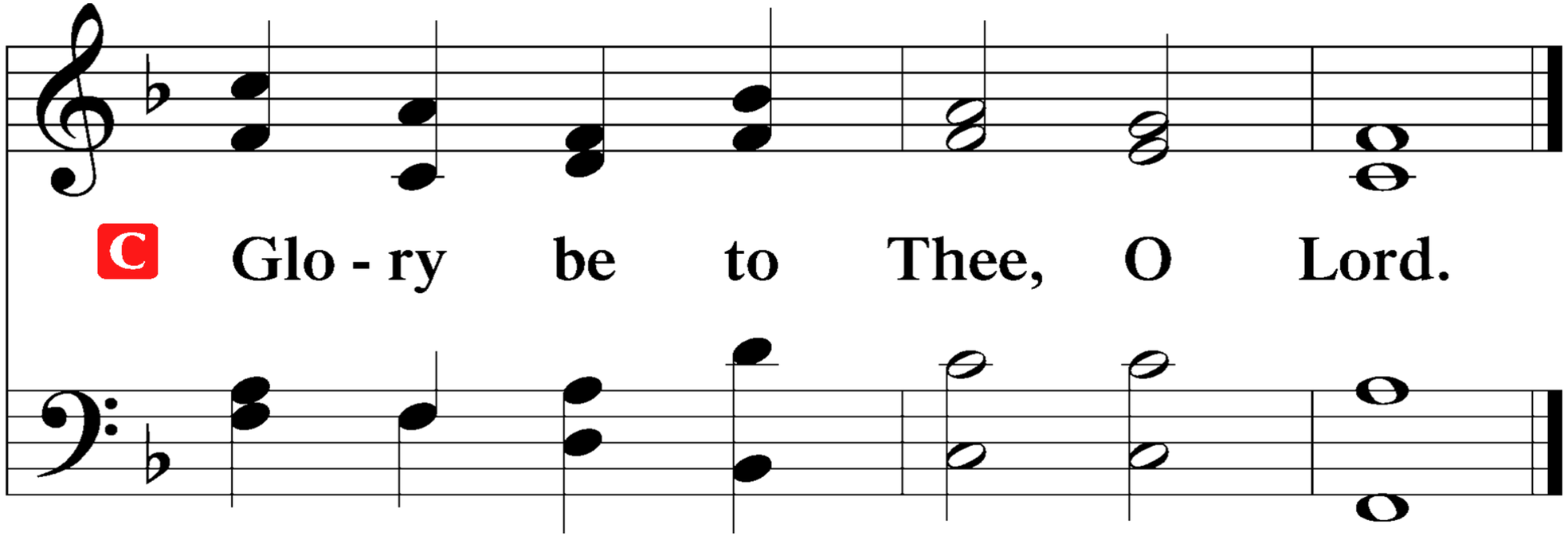
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C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia



Holy Gospel: Matthew 25:1–13

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.



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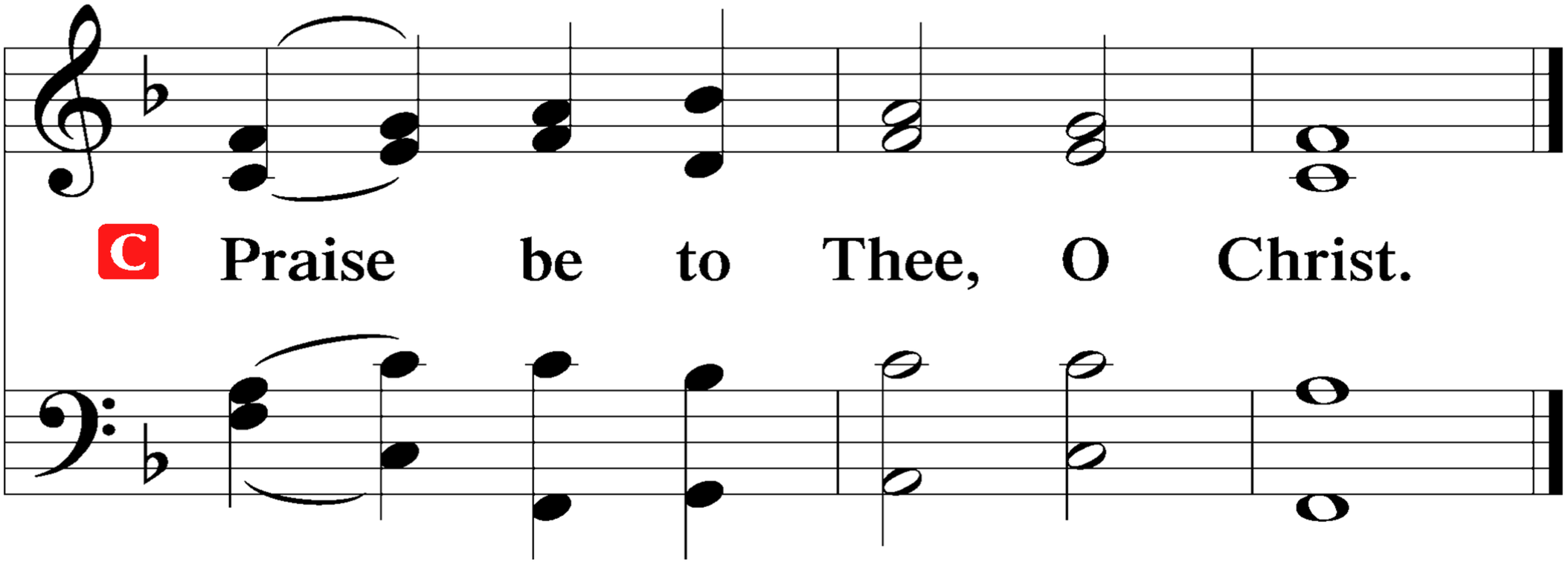
1[Jesus said:] “The kingdom of heaven will be like ten
virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the
bridegroom. 2Five of them were foolish, and five were wise.
3For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with
them, 4but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. 5As
the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and
slept. 6But at midnight there was a cry, ‘Here is the
bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ 7Then all those virgins
rose and trimmed their lamps. 8And the foolish said to the
wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’
9But the wise answered, saying, ‘Since there will not be
enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy

Holy Gospel: Matthew 25:1–13

for yourselves.’ 10And while they were going to buy, the
bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with
him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut.
11Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord,
open to us.’ 12But he answered, ‘Truly, I say to you, I do not
know you.’ 13Watch therefore, for you know neither the day
nor the hour.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 25:1–13



Apostles’ Creed

C **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.

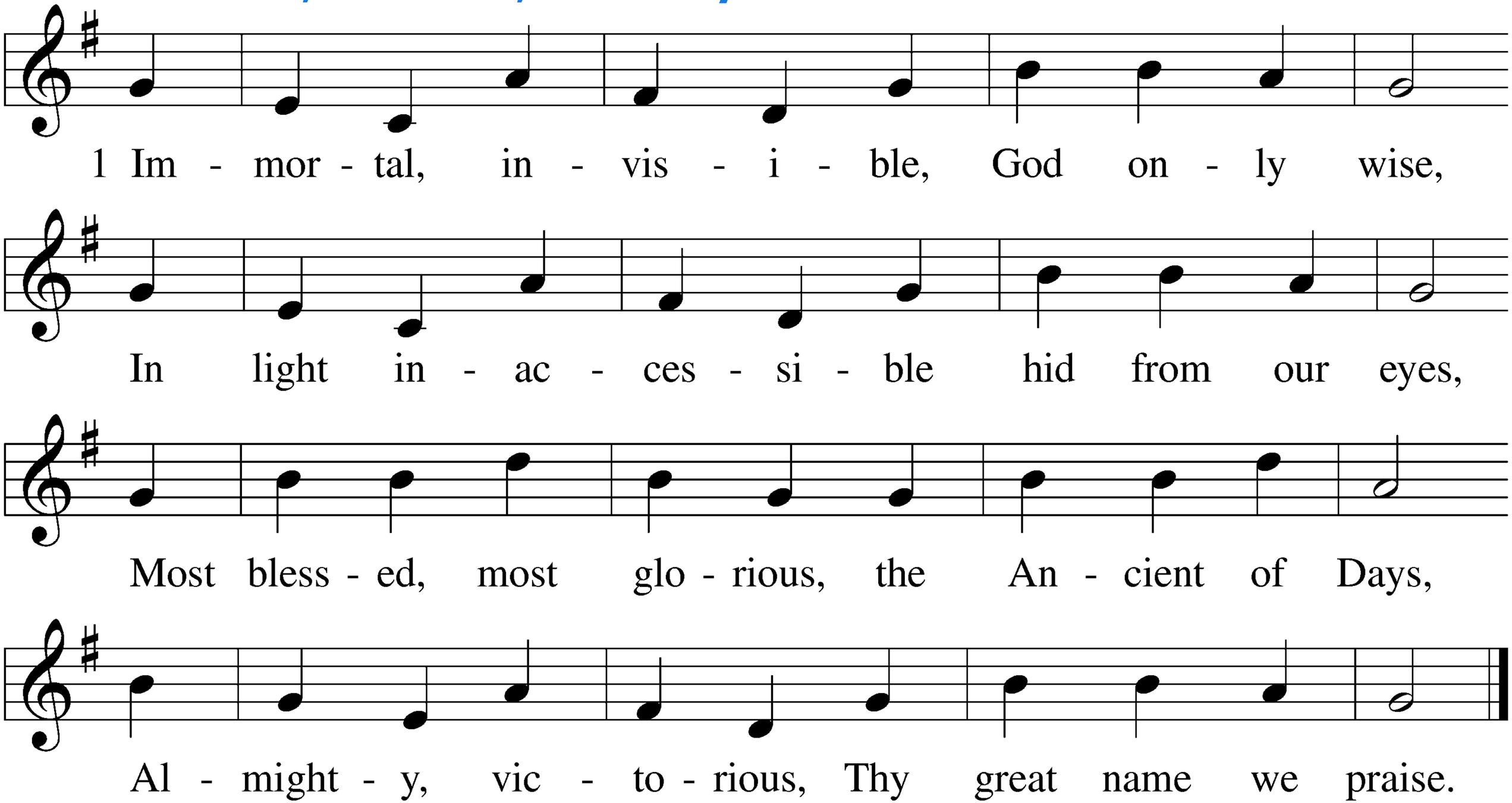
Apostles’ Creed

C **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.

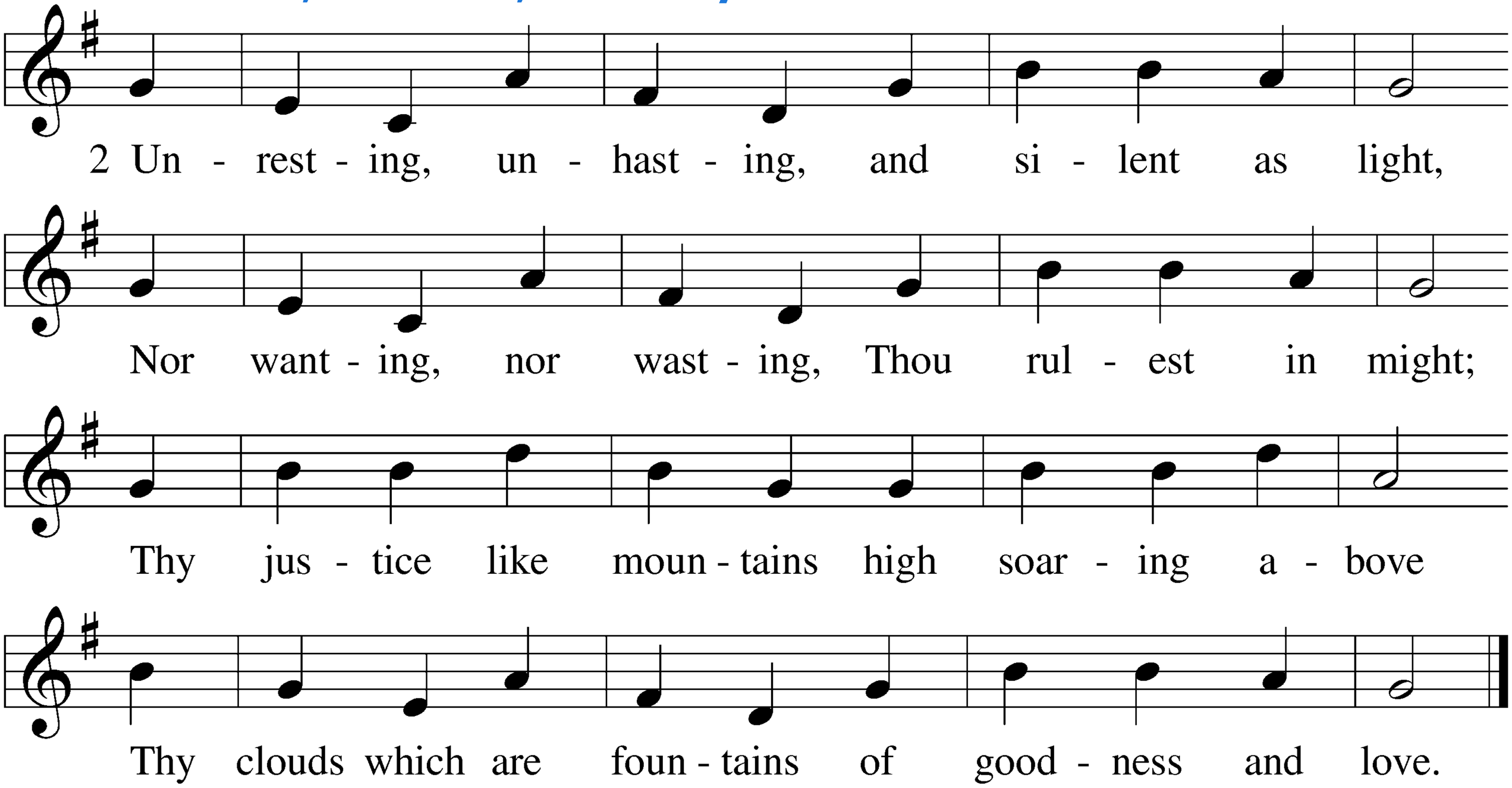
Apostles’ Creed

C **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.

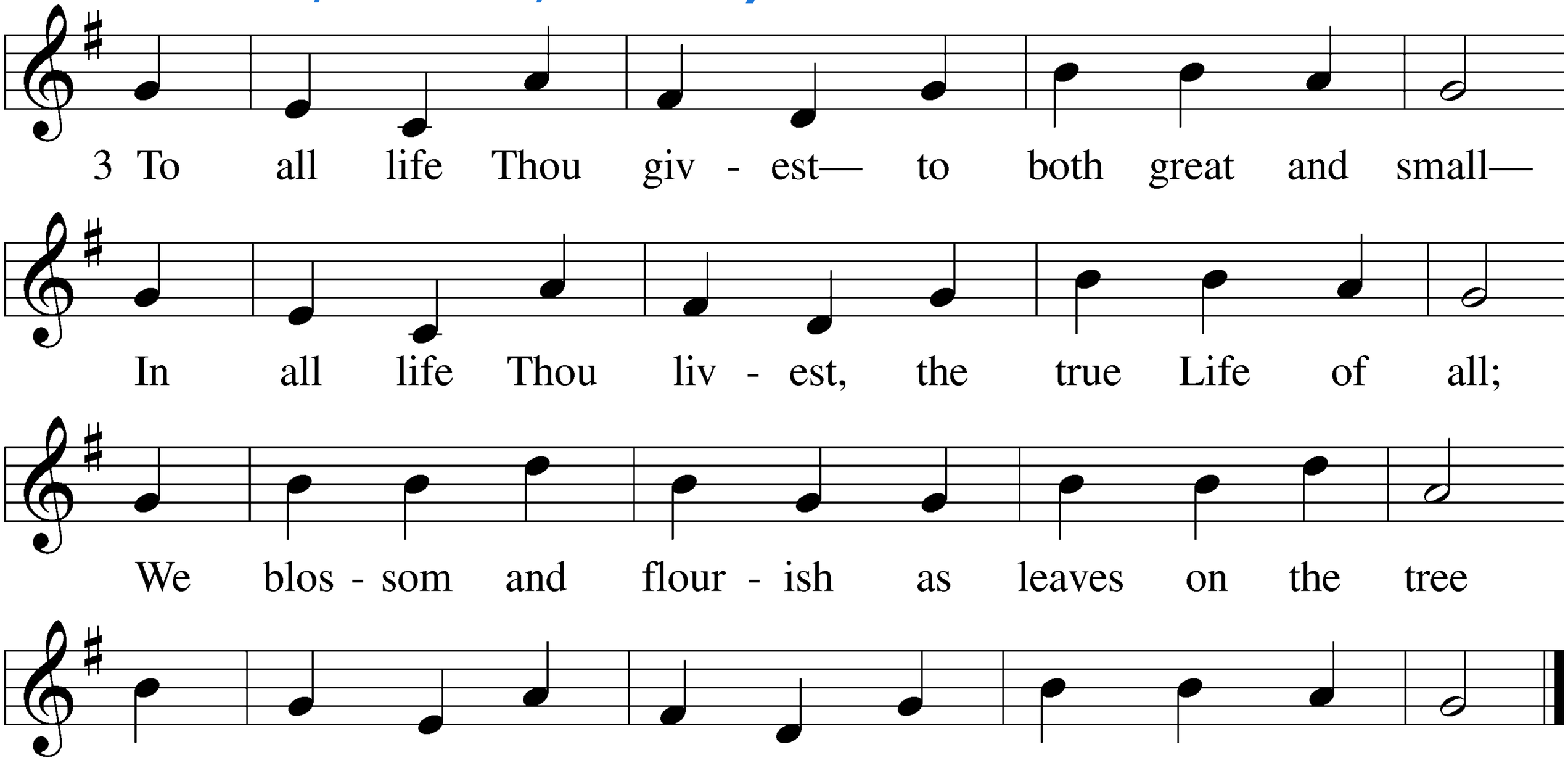
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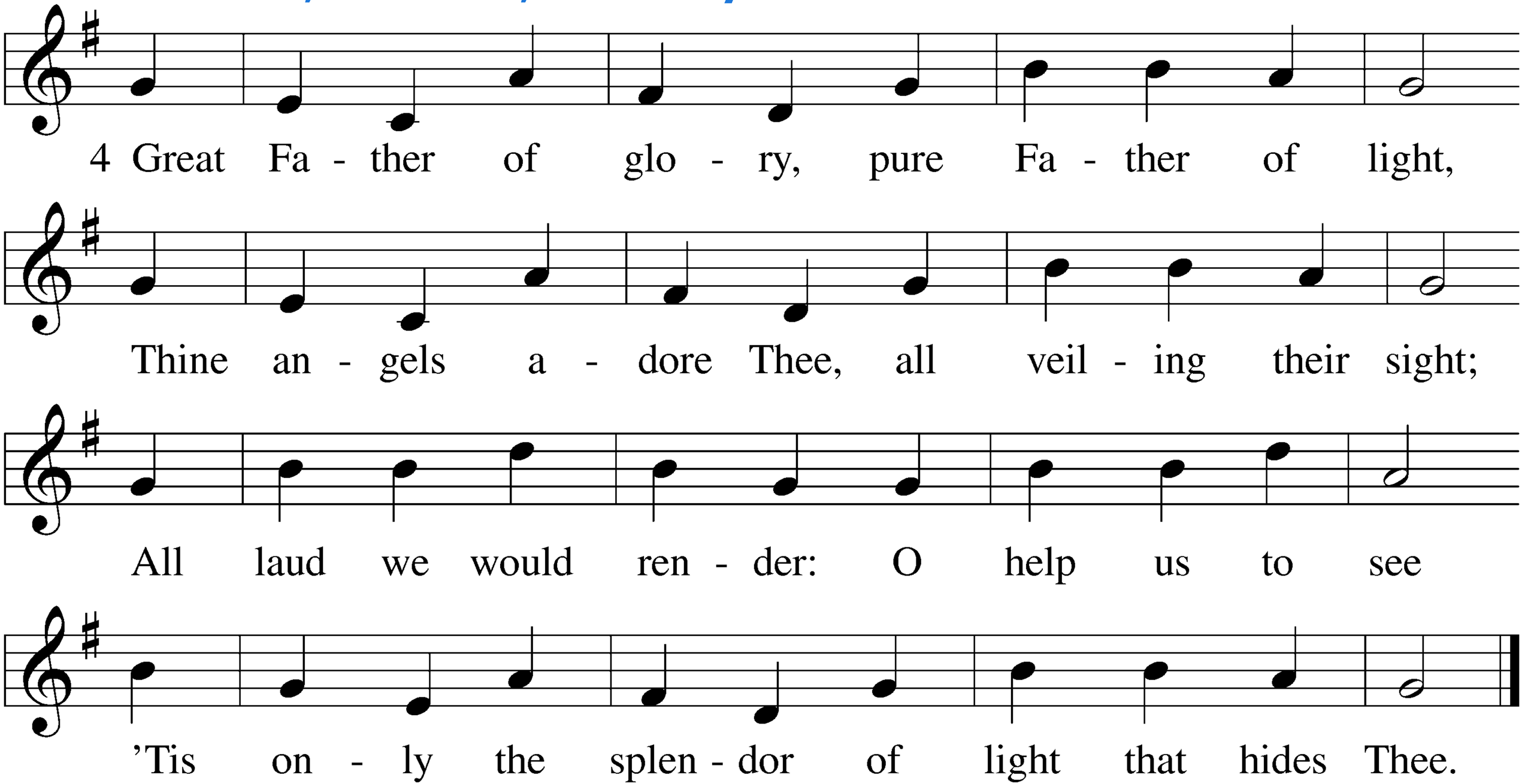
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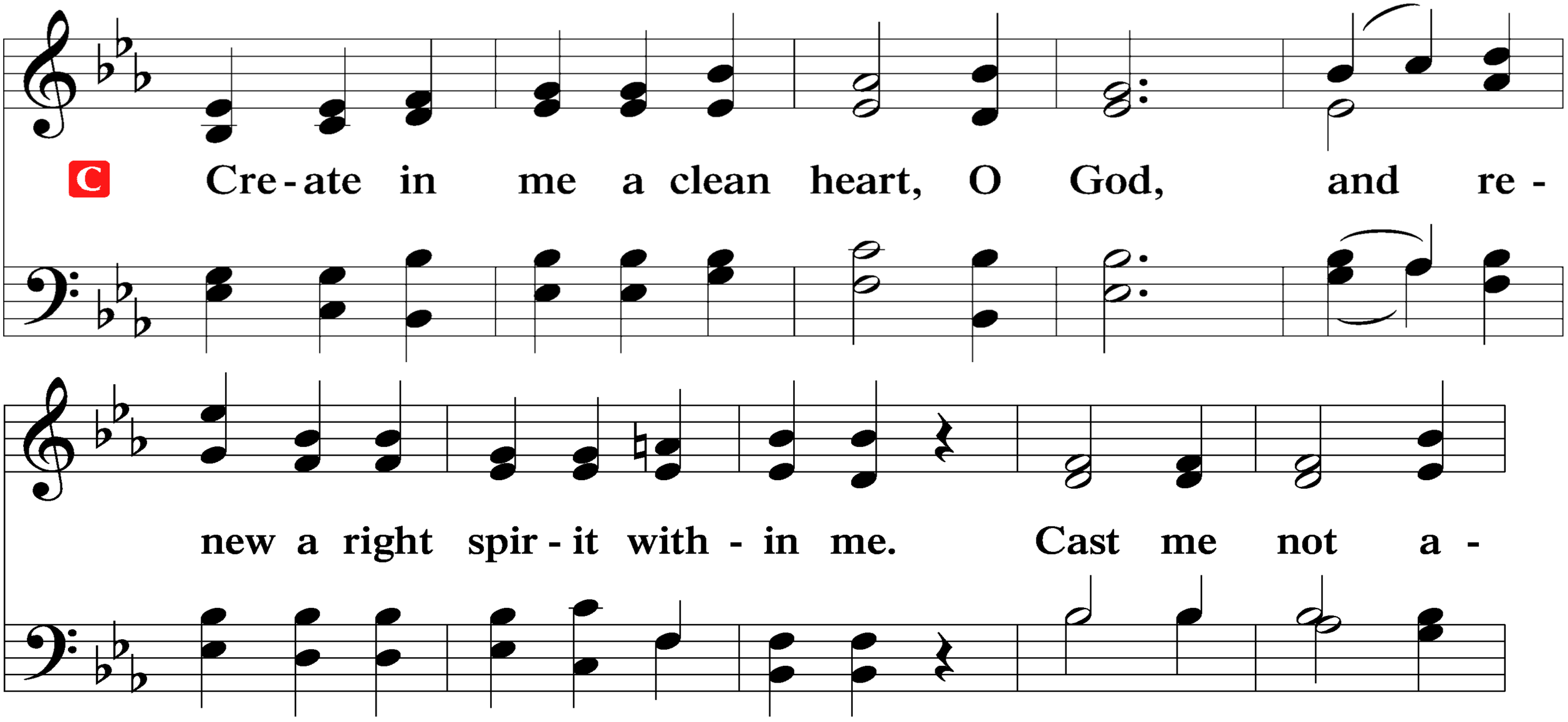
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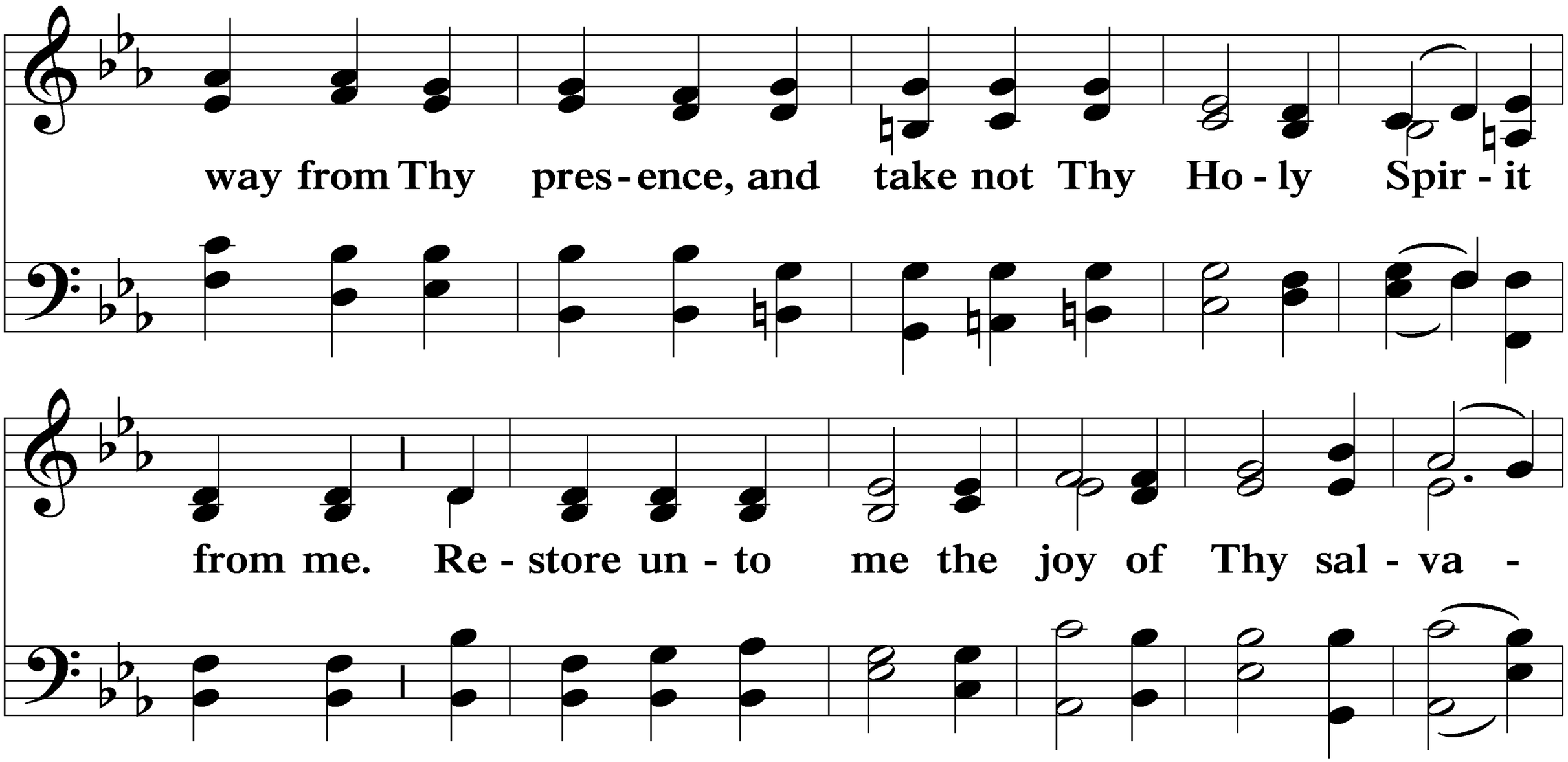
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The Homily
This is love.
In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.
(1 John 4:10)
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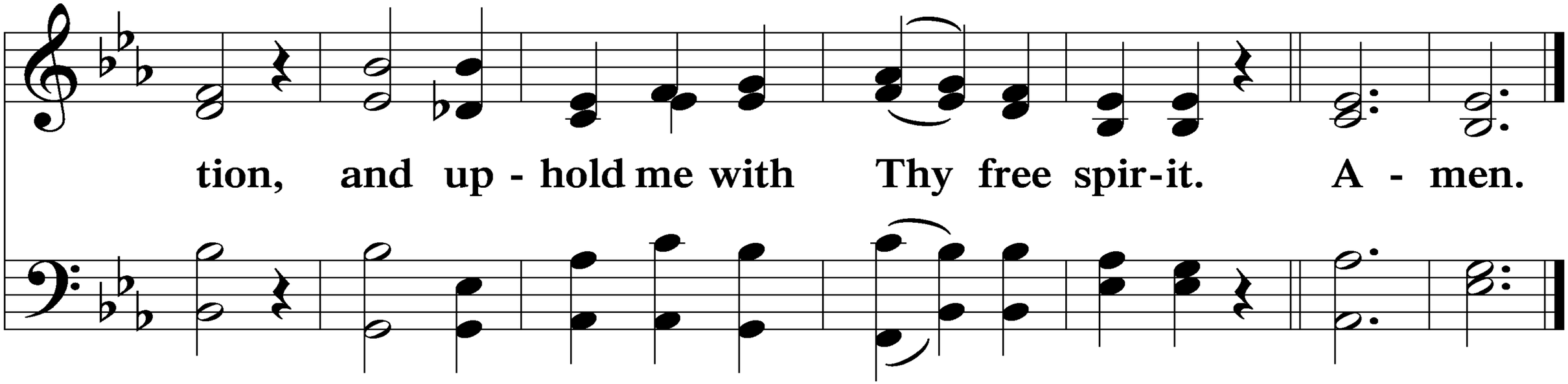
Offertory


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Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -

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way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -

Offertory



Prayer of the Church

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For steadfast faith, that through the pure preaching and teaching of God's Holy Word we would be kept in constant readiness for Christ's return,
let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those who have wandered from the faith, that God would restore them to the wisdom of repentance and faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

Prayer of the Church

P For all pastors as they preach and teach the Word, that all who hear may believe and that, believing, they may live in righteousness and godliness before the world until Christ returns, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For parents and those who teach children the Word of God, that generations to come may love God's promises, walk in His truth and dwell in His house,
let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

Prayer of the Church

P For rulers and all in authority, that our God of righteousness would embolden them to enact and defend measures that preserve peace and provide justice for all, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

Prayer of the Church

P For all who cry to the Lord, including Katherine, David, Juan, Chris, Vera, Joe, Bobby, Pastor Werly, John _____, that God would answer them with strength and healing, comfort and hope, and keep them in the confidence of the resurrection of the dead,
let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

Prayer of the Church

P 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, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P 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, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

Prayer of the Church

P 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, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For forgiveness, life and salvation, that the Lord would descend from heaven with a cry of command, raise up those who have fallen asleep and, until that day, prepare us by the blessed Sacrament for His coming in glory, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

Prayer of the Church

P For comfort and hope in grief, that we may trust Christ's Word that those who have died in the faith are only sleeping, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P These and whatsoever other things You would have us ask of You, O God, grant us for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your only Son, our Lord and Savior, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Closing Collect

**Almighty, everlasting God,
Your Son has assured forgiveness of sins
and deliverance from eternal death.
Strengthen us by Your Holy Spirit
that our faith in Christ may increase daily
and that we may hold fast to the hope
that on the Last Day we shall be raised in glory
to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
who taught us to pray…**

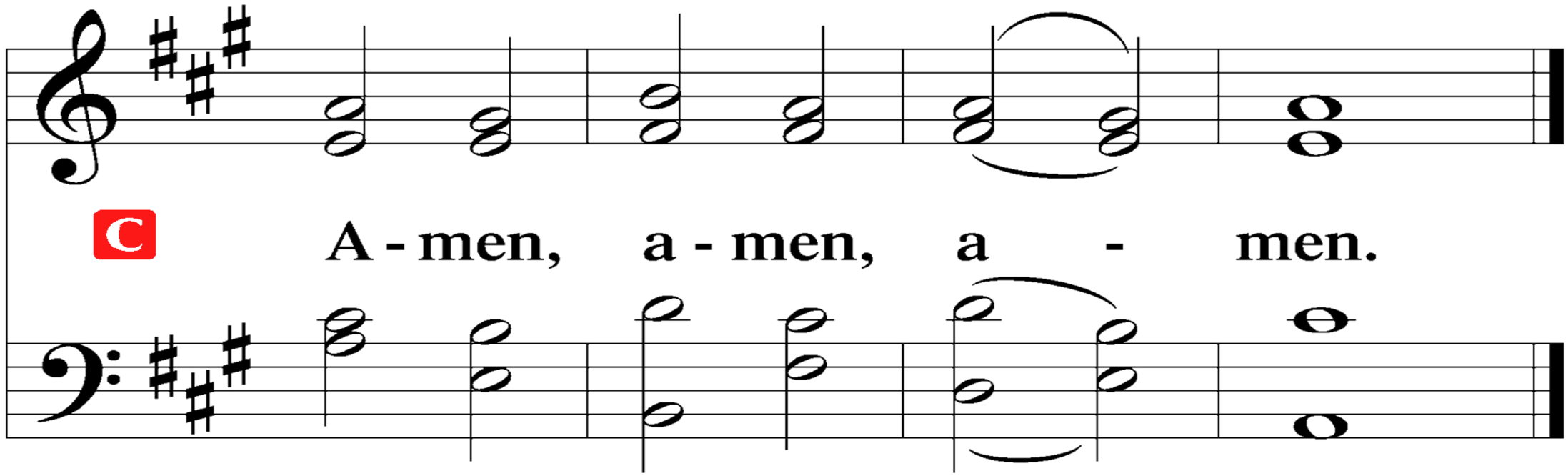
Lord’s Prayer

C **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.

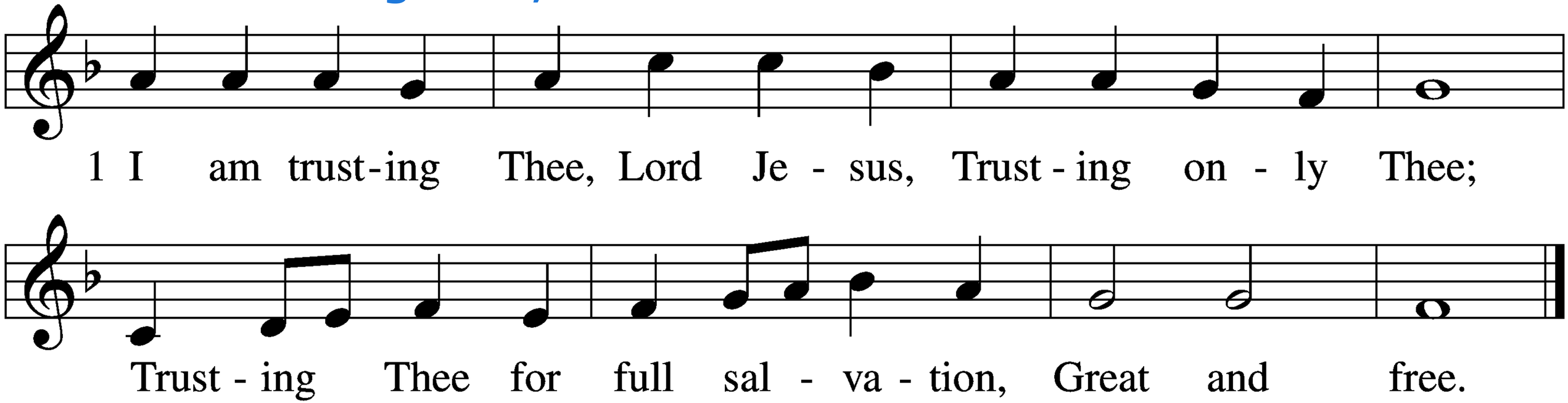
C **For Thine is the kingdom and the power**
and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Benediction

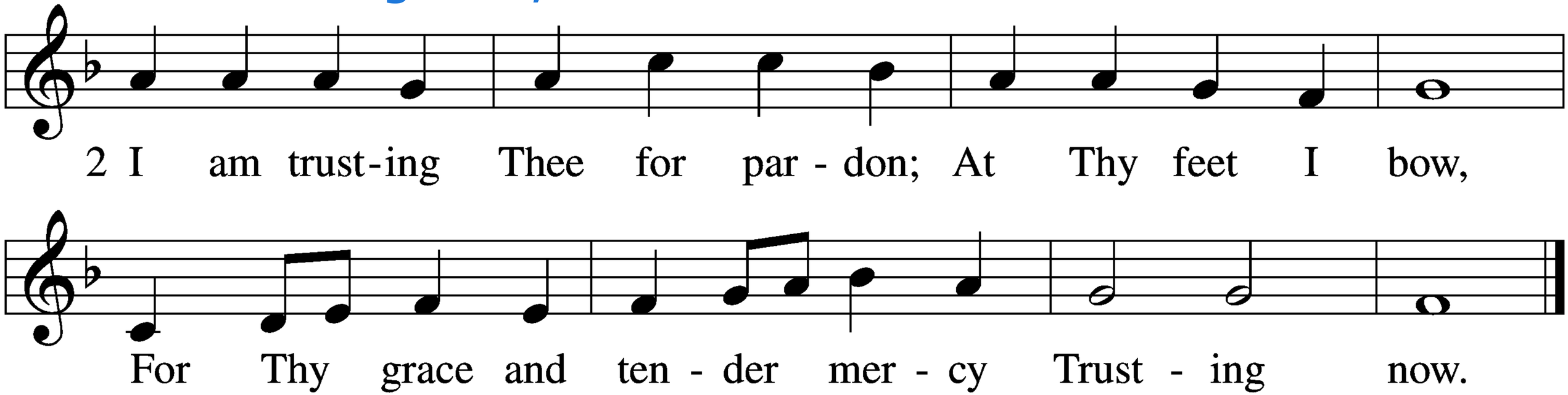
P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you
and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you
and ✢ give you peace.



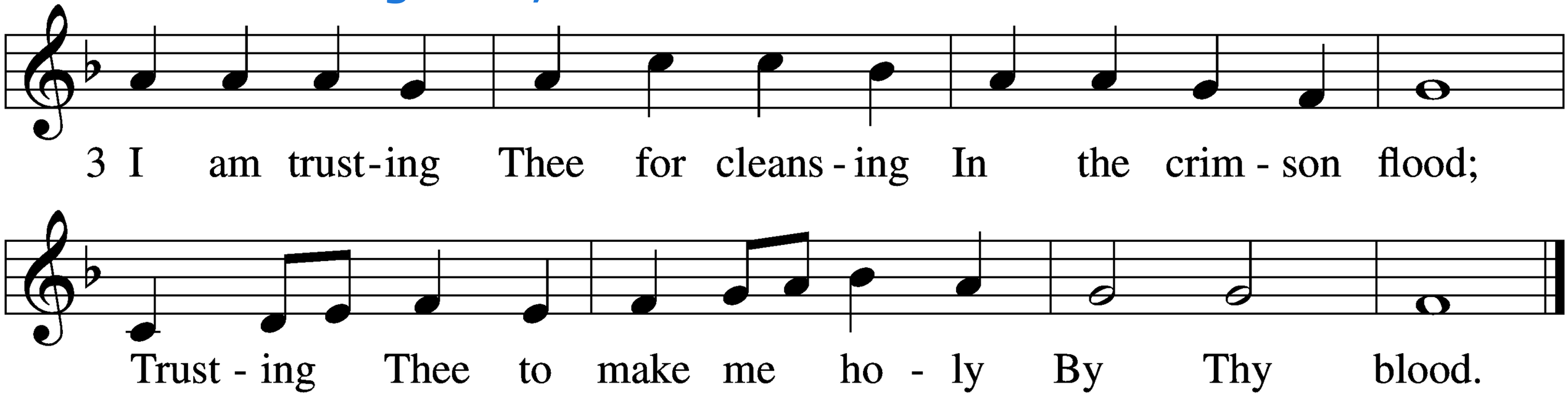
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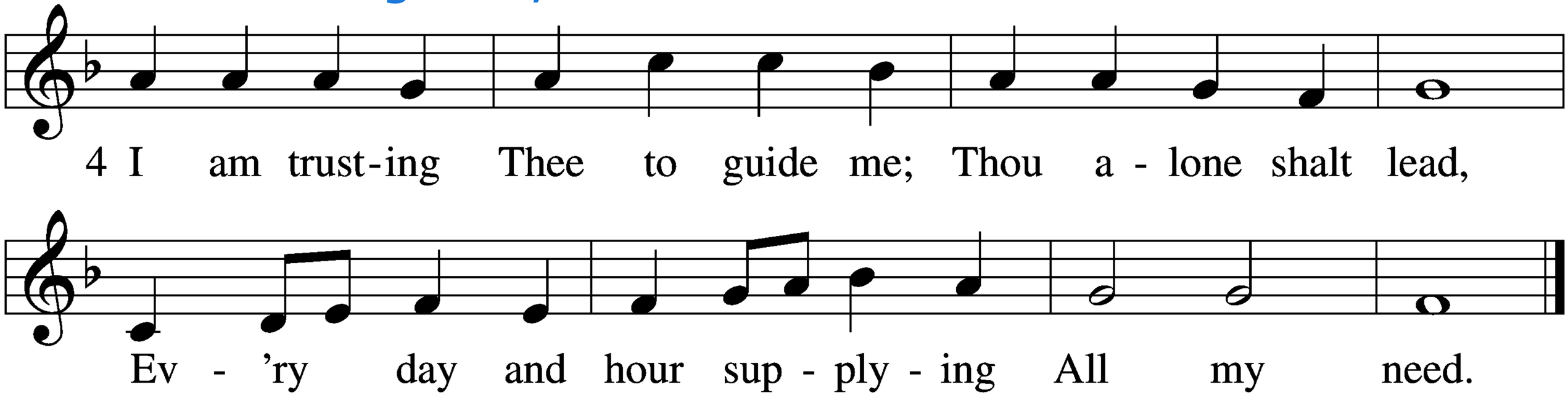
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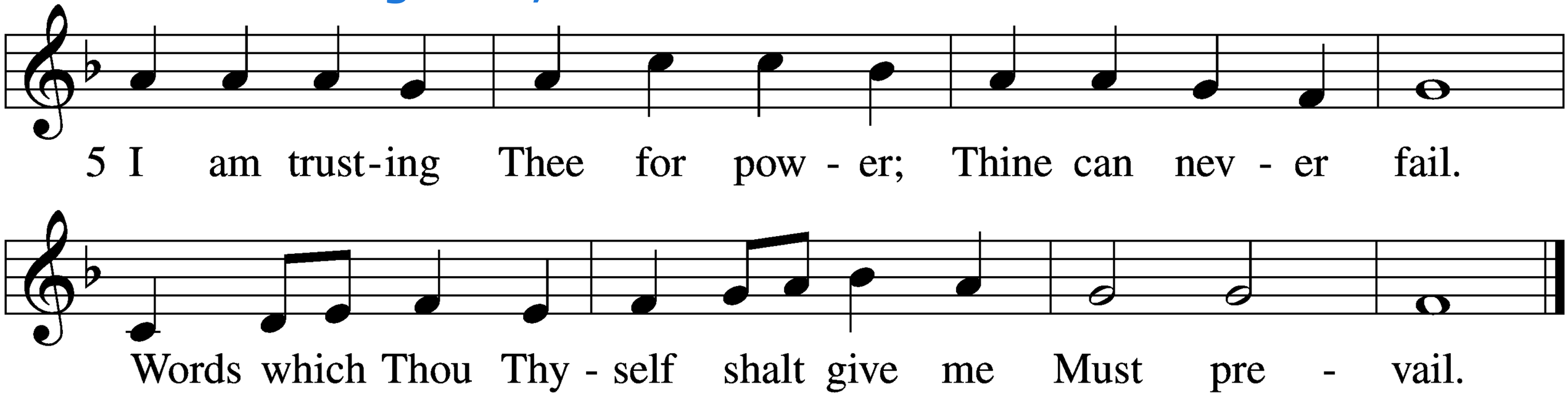
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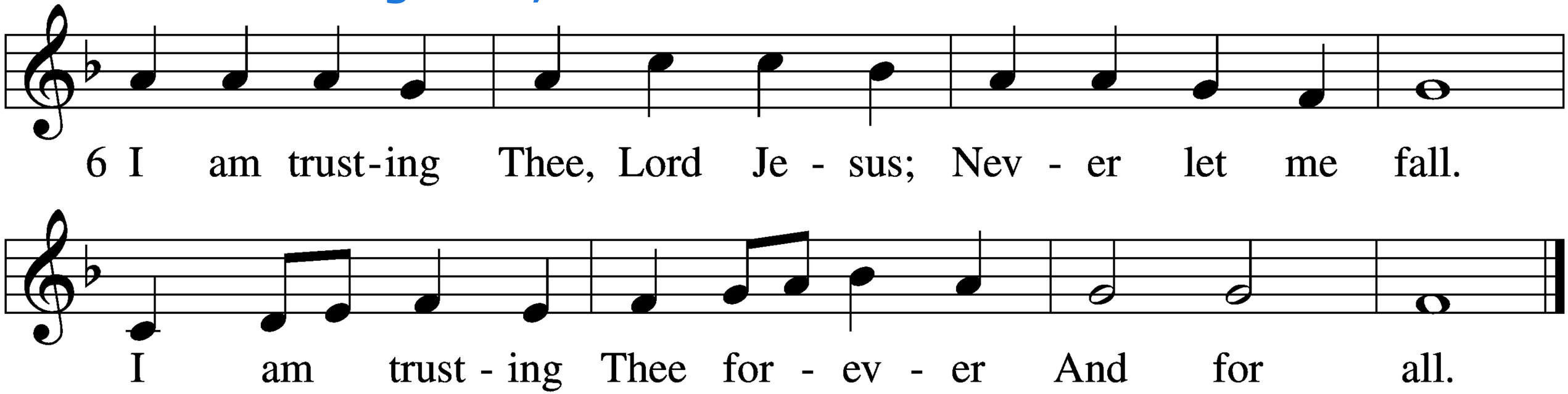
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