2nd Sunday of Advent
December 8, 2024

New Hope Lutheran Church
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Our mission: to share our faith in Christ by serving all with respectful compassion.

GATHERING

Gathering Music: *Jesus Is Lord* John Innes/ arr. Brian Glyncannon
Welcome & Announcements
Prelude: *Song for a New Morning* Carl Simone

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, alive in the world, reviving creation, arriving soon. **C: Amen.**

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Gathering Song: Prepare the Royal Highway ELW #264

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   Your king, yet ev'ry nation its tribute too may bring.
   All lands will bow before him; their voices join your singing:
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4. His is no earthly kingdom; it comes from heav'n above.
   His rule is peace and freedom and justice, truth, and love.
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Lighting of the Advent Wreath

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   Sun of justice, shine upon us; we are trusting in your promise.
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L: As we light the candle of *peace,* we acknowledge that we live in a world that races for money and success, that worships busyness and productivity, that hoards and consumes.

C: We are waiting for the One who will turn the world around, so we will know that there is enough and that we are enough, and so we can be still and rest. Come, Lord Jesus.

We Are Waiting for Jesus (v. 2) ACS #905

2. We are waiting for Jesus; Jesus brings peace.
   We are waiting for Jesus; Jesus brings peace.
   Loving Shepherd, walk beside us; stir our hearts, and gently guide us.
   We are waiting for Jesus; Jesus brings peace.

L: We pray together the prayer of the day… **C: Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming give to all the people of the world knowledge of your salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

WORD

L: The 1st Reading is from Malachi 3:1-4

L: Word of God, word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Responsive Reading: Luke 1:68-79 *(Zechariah's Prophecy)*

L: "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has looked favorably on his people and redeemed them.

C: He has raised up a mighty savior for us in the house of his servant David, as he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old, that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us.

L: Thus he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors, and has remembered his holy covenant, the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham,

C: to grant us that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies, might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him all our days.

L: And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, to give knowledge of salvation to his people by the forgiveness of their sins.

C: By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."

2nd Reading: Philippians 1:3-11

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Gospel Acclamation: Halle, Halle, Hallelujah ELW #172
Halle, Halle, Hallelujah. Halle, Halle, Hallelujah.
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Gospel Reading: Luke 3:1-6

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

L: The gospel of our Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Time

Sermon Rev. Tammy Bull

Hymn of the Day: On Jordan's Banks ELW #249

1. On Jordan's banks the Baptist's cry announces that the Lord is nigh;
   Awake and hearken, for he brings glad tiding of the King of kings!
2. Then cleansed be ev'ry life from sin; make straight the way for God within,
   And let us all our hearts prepare for Christ to come and enter there.
3. We hail you as our Savior, Lord, our refuge and our great reward;
   Without your grace we waste away like flow'rs that wither and decay.
4. Stretch forth your hand, our health restore, and make us rise to fall no more;
   Oh, let your face upon us shine and fill the world with love divine.
5. All praise to you, eternal Son, whose advent has our freedom won,
   Whom with the Father we adore, and Holy Spirit, evermore.

L: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we confess our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.

Prayers of the People *(petitions end "Lord in your mercy"…* ***"hear our prayer.")***

Sharing the Peace of Christ

L: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

The Offering: (At this time we bring our gifts and offerings to God in gratitude and joy. In response to God's love, we care for others in the name of Jesus. We do this, in part, by extending our weekly worship beyond the four walls of the church via livestreaming. We appreciate your gifts of time, money, energy, and prayers to this work! If you are our guest today - either in person or online – we invite you to join us in caring for God's people and God's world!)

Offertory: *Grant Us Thy Peace* James Denton

Offering Response: Create in Me a Clean Heart ELW #186

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

Offertory Prayer: **C: God of abundance, we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming of your Son, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution & Lord's Prayer

P: "In the night in which he was betrayed…" **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. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

Invitation to the Lord's Table

God feeds us with tender mercy. Come to the table.

Wait for the Lord (sing twice) ELW #262

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near. Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart.

Hymn during Communion: O Lord, How Shall I Meet You ELW #241

1. O Lord, how shall I meet you, how welcome you aright?
   Your people long to greet you, my hope, my heart's delight!
   Oh, kindle, Lord most holy, your lamp within my breast
   To do in spirit lowly all that may please you best.
2. I lay in fetters groaning; you came to set me free.
   I stood, my shame bemoaning; you came to honor me.
   A glorious crown you give me, a treasure safe on high
   That will not fail or leave me as earthly riches fly.
3. Love caused your incarnation; love brought you down to me.
   Your thirst for my salvation procured my liberty.
   Oh, love beyond all telling, that led you to embrace
   In love, all love excelling, our lost and fallen race.
4. Rejoice, then, you sad-hearted, who sit in deepest gloom,
   Who mourn your joys departed and tremble at your doom.
   All hail the Lord's appearing! O glorious Sun, now come,
   Send forth your beams so cheering and guide us safely home.

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen us, unite us, and keep us in his grace. **C: Amen.**

L: Let us all pray… **C: Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SENDING

L: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Almighty God, Father, (+) Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.**

Sending Song: Blessed Be the God of Israel ELW #250

1. Blessed be the God of Israel who comes to set us free
   And raises up new hope for us: a Branch from David's tree.
   So have the prophets long declared that with a mighty arm
   God would turn back our enemies and all who wish us harm.
2. With promised mercy will God still the covenant recall,
   The oath once sworn to Abraham, from foes to save us all;
   That we might worship without fear and offer lives of praise,
   In holiness and righteousness to serve God all our days.
3. My child, as prophet of the Lord you will prepare the way,
   To tell God's people they are saved from sin's eternal sway.
   Then shall God's mercy from on high shine forth and never cease
   To drive away the gloom of death and lead us into peace.

L: Go in peace. Remember the poor. **C: Thanks be to God!**

Postlude: *A Trumpet Song* Steven Scott

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Accompanist: James Rickley Cantor: Gaynell Tempel
Reader: Melanie Jensen Fellowship: Donna Winters & Char Depping
Communion Assistant: Vicki Evans Acolyte:

The December Special Offering benefits Meals on Wheels.

Keeping in prayer… The Wilbur family as they grieve the death of Mari's father Don; Jim; Sue; Dee; Lois & Frank; Rebecca; Danny; Triston; MaryAnn; Carl & Harley; Ann; Ace; Arvin; Beth; Arnie; Peggy & Larry; Sandy; Noah; Dorothy; Toni; Scott; Haley; Esther; Reta; Elaine;

Announcements for the week of December 8:

- Wed. 12/11: ***Flowing Waters*** noon music series in the sanctuary.
- Wed. 12/11: Confirmation class at 2:30 pm in the Library.
- Wed. 12/11: Installation of the Rev. Ryan Eikenbary at Episcopal Church of the Incarnation. 6:00 pm
- Wed. 12/11: WOW! Children's ministry from 6-7 pm in the Social Hall.
- Fri. 12/13: Game Night at the church from 6:30 – 8 pm in the Social Hall

Advent & Christmas Special Services Schedule

Dec. 15 – 3rd Sunday of Advent – Congregation participation as we tell the story of Jesus' birth. Come in your own costume or choose one when you get here!

Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve – (Tues.) Worship at 5 pm with candle lighting and Holy Communion

JESUS IS LORD

4½ minutes

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Gt. Flutes and Strings
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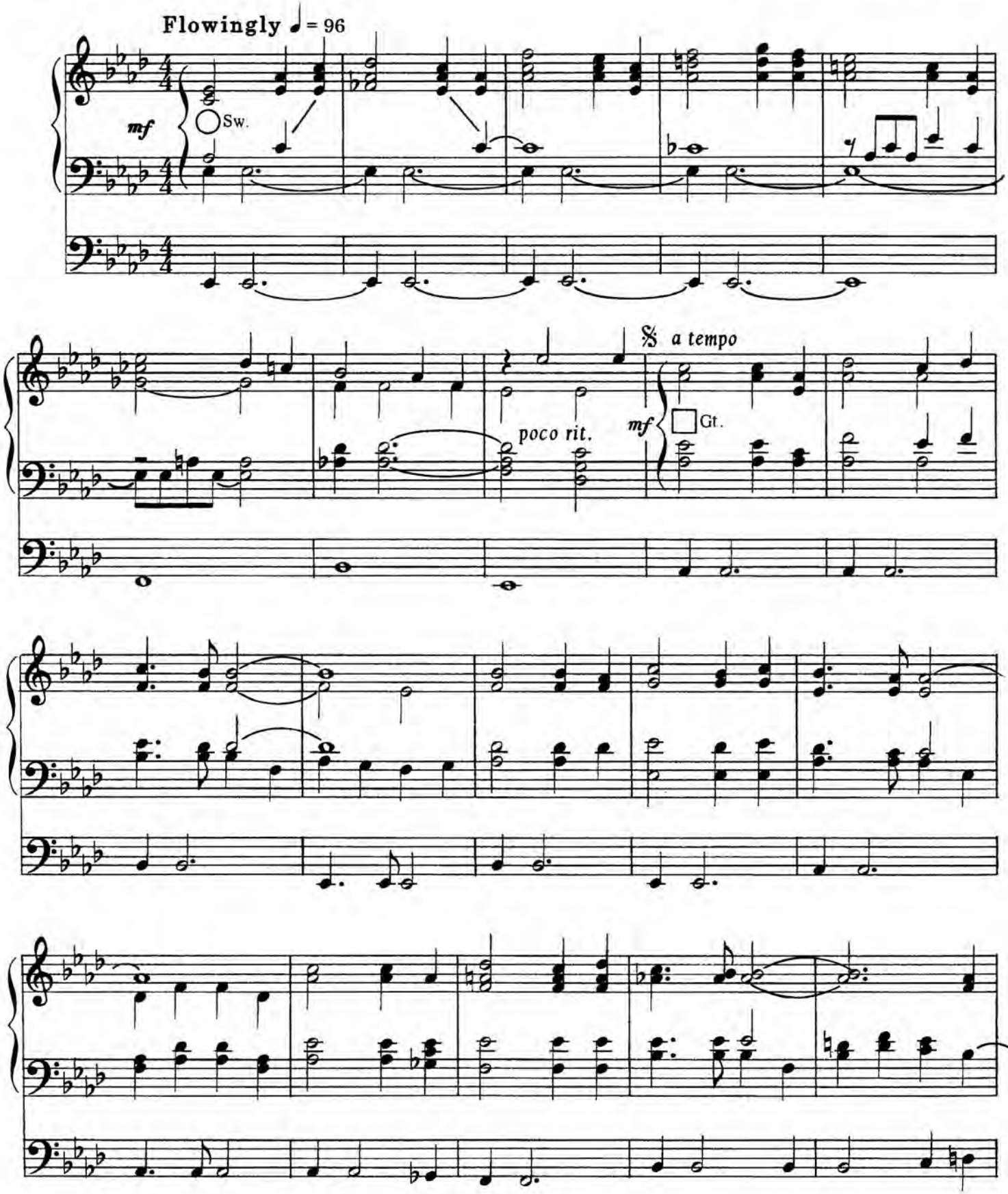
JOHN INNES
Arranged by Brian Glyncannon



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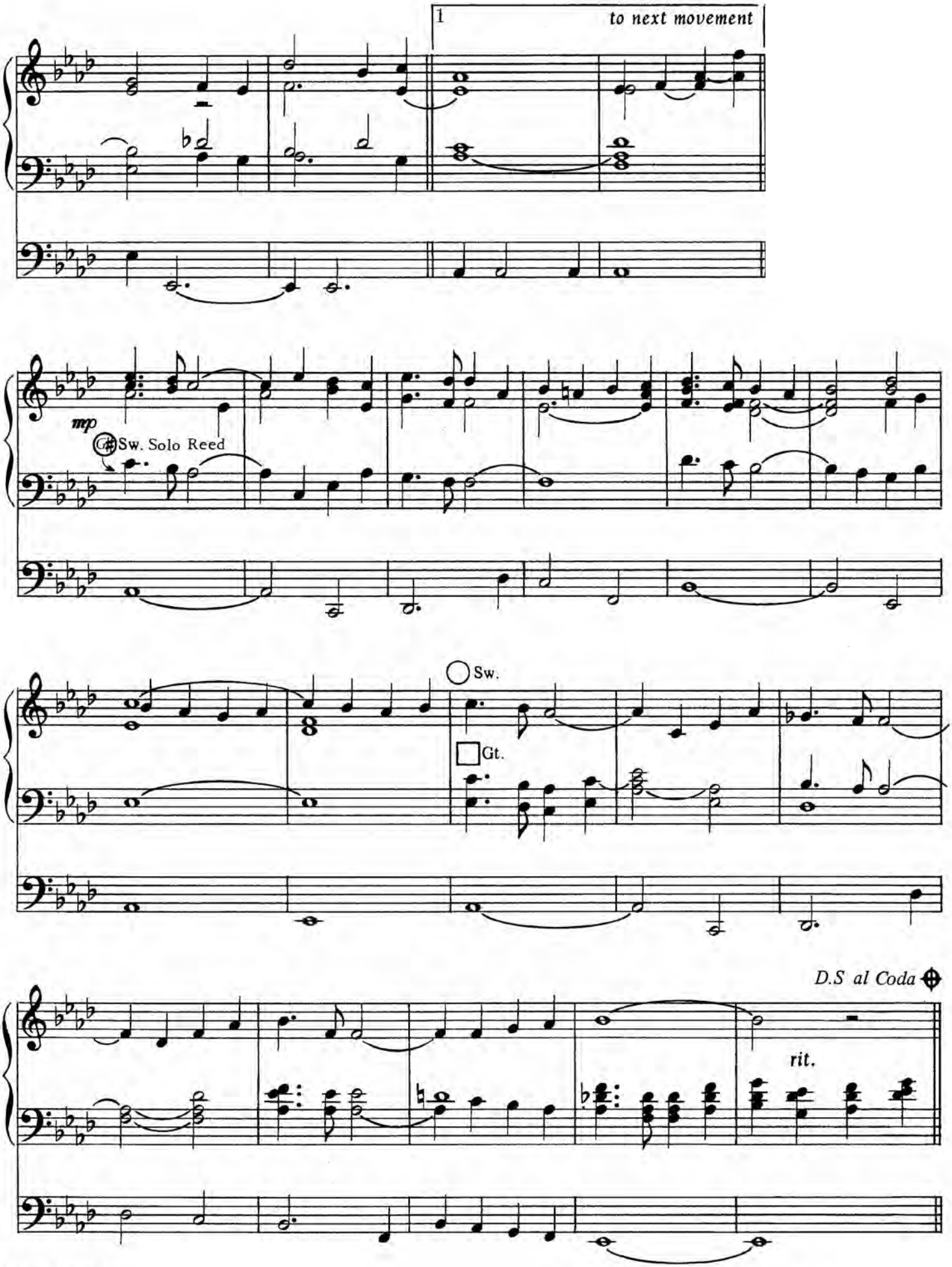
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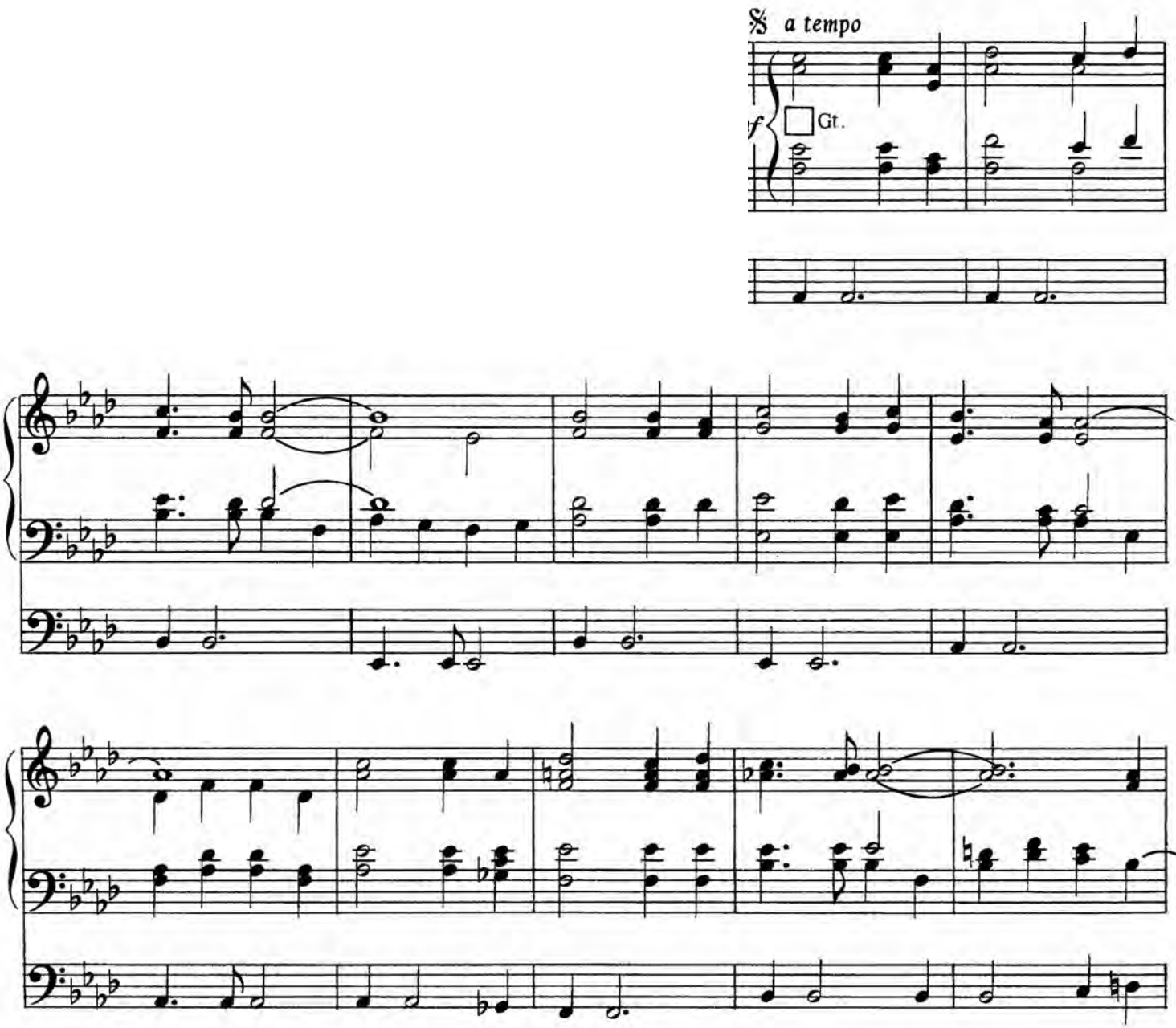

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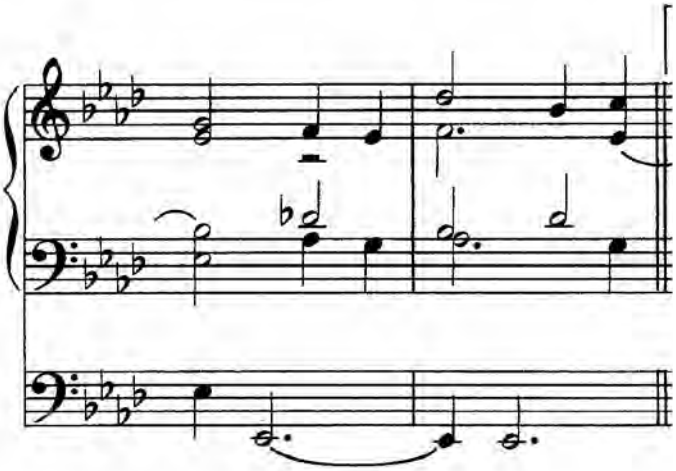

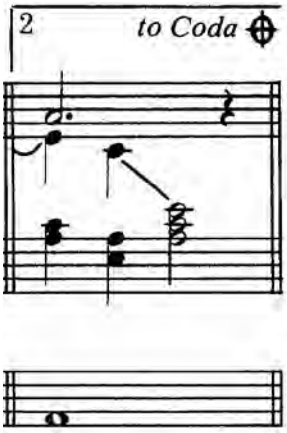
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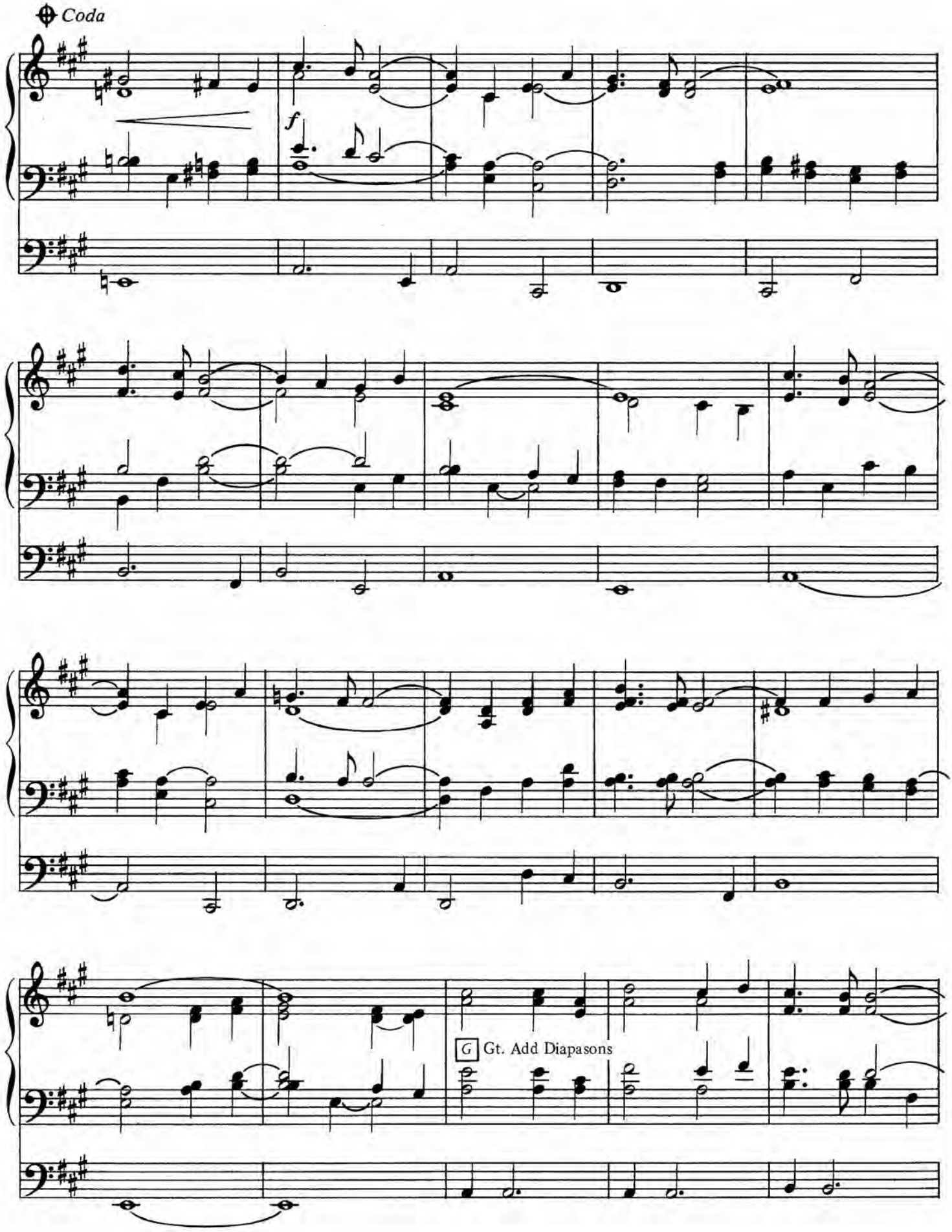
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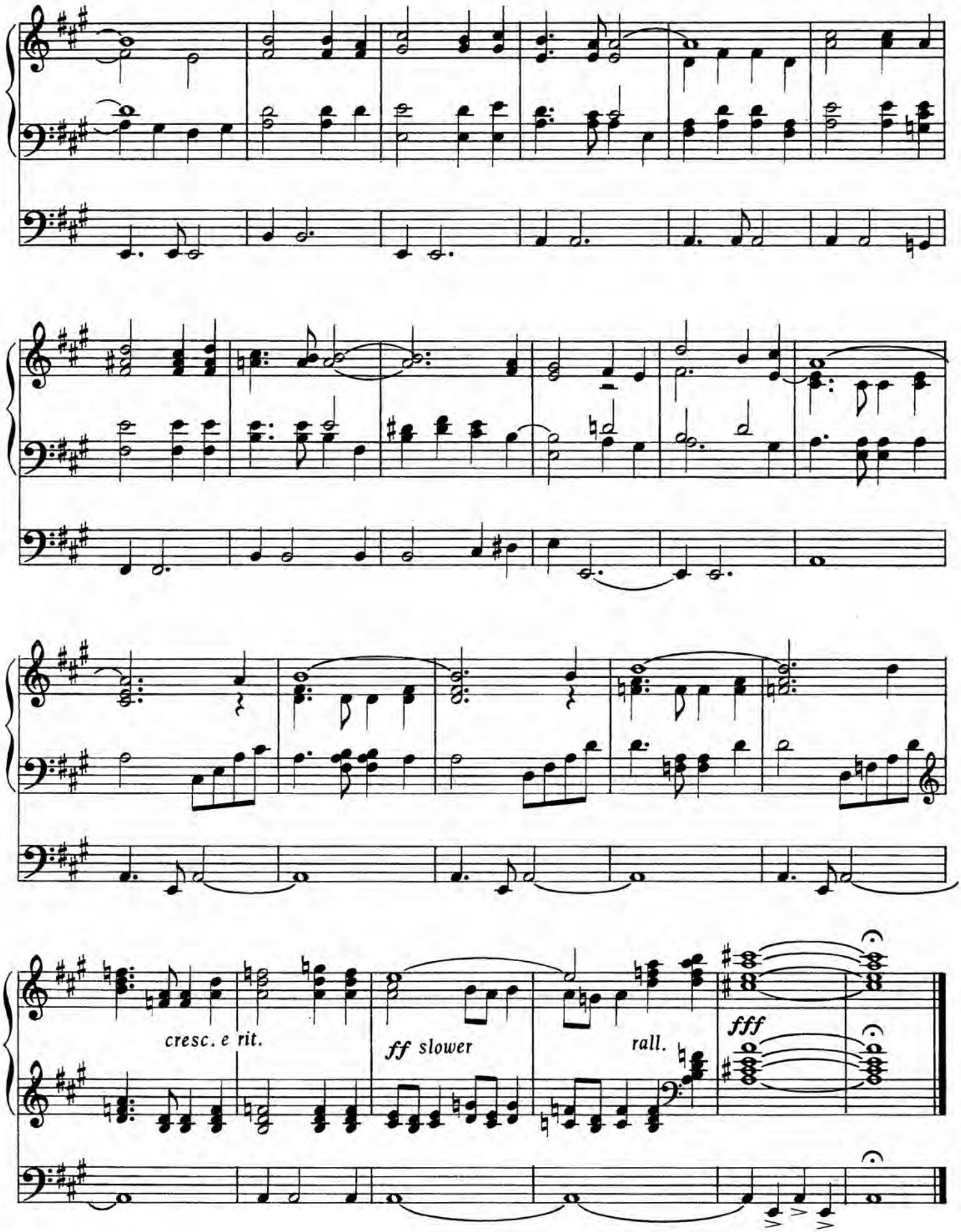
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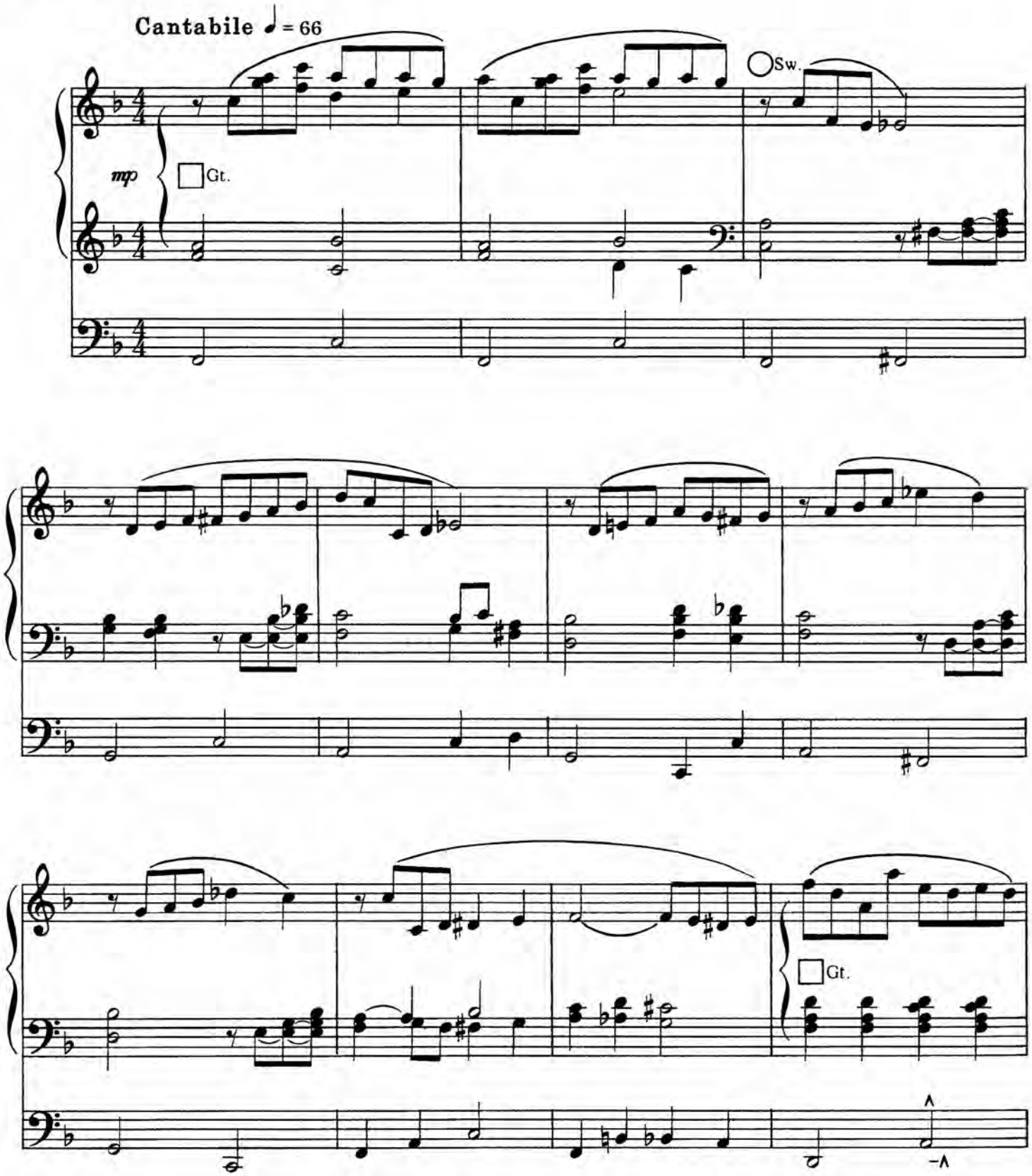

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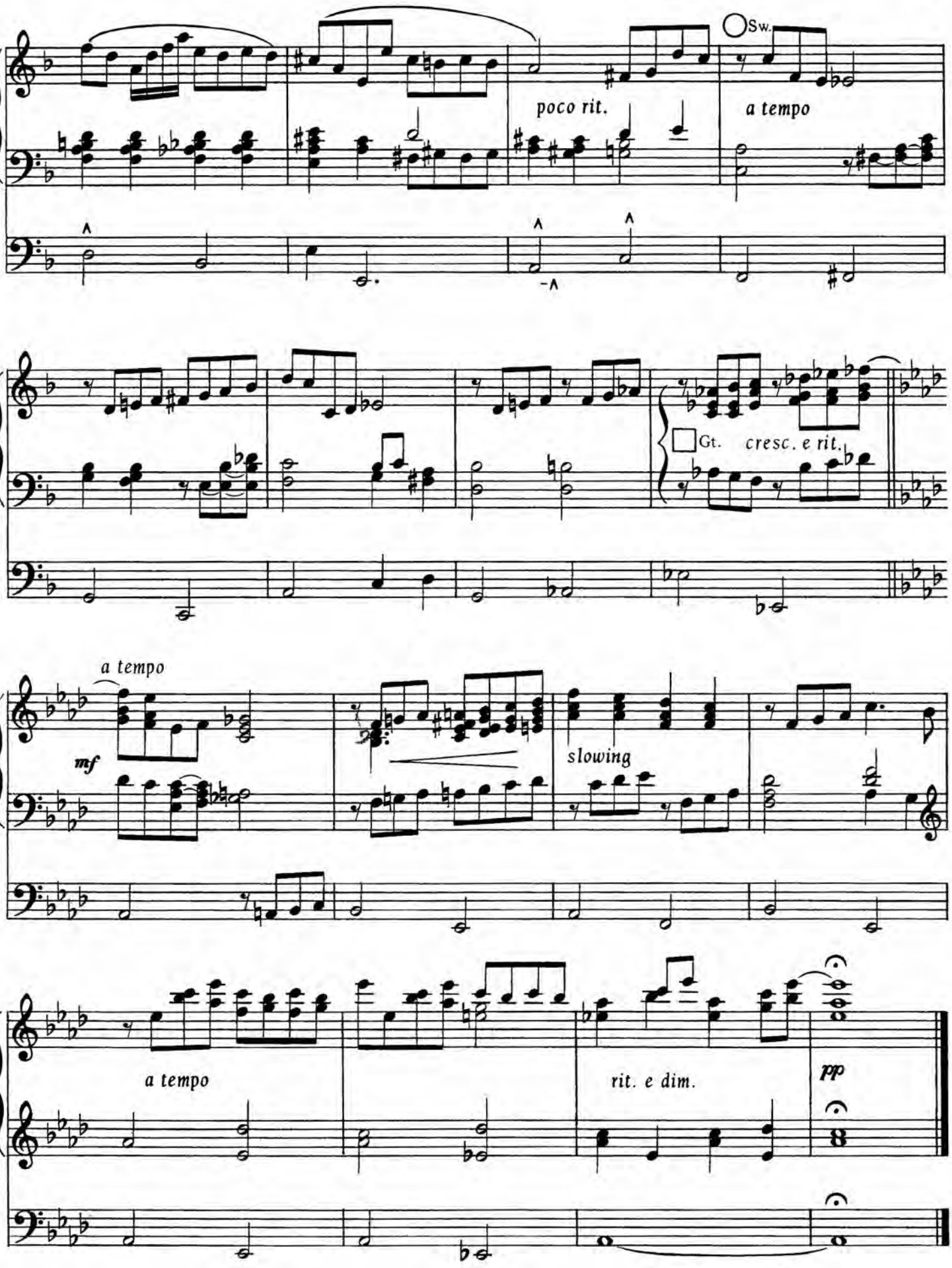
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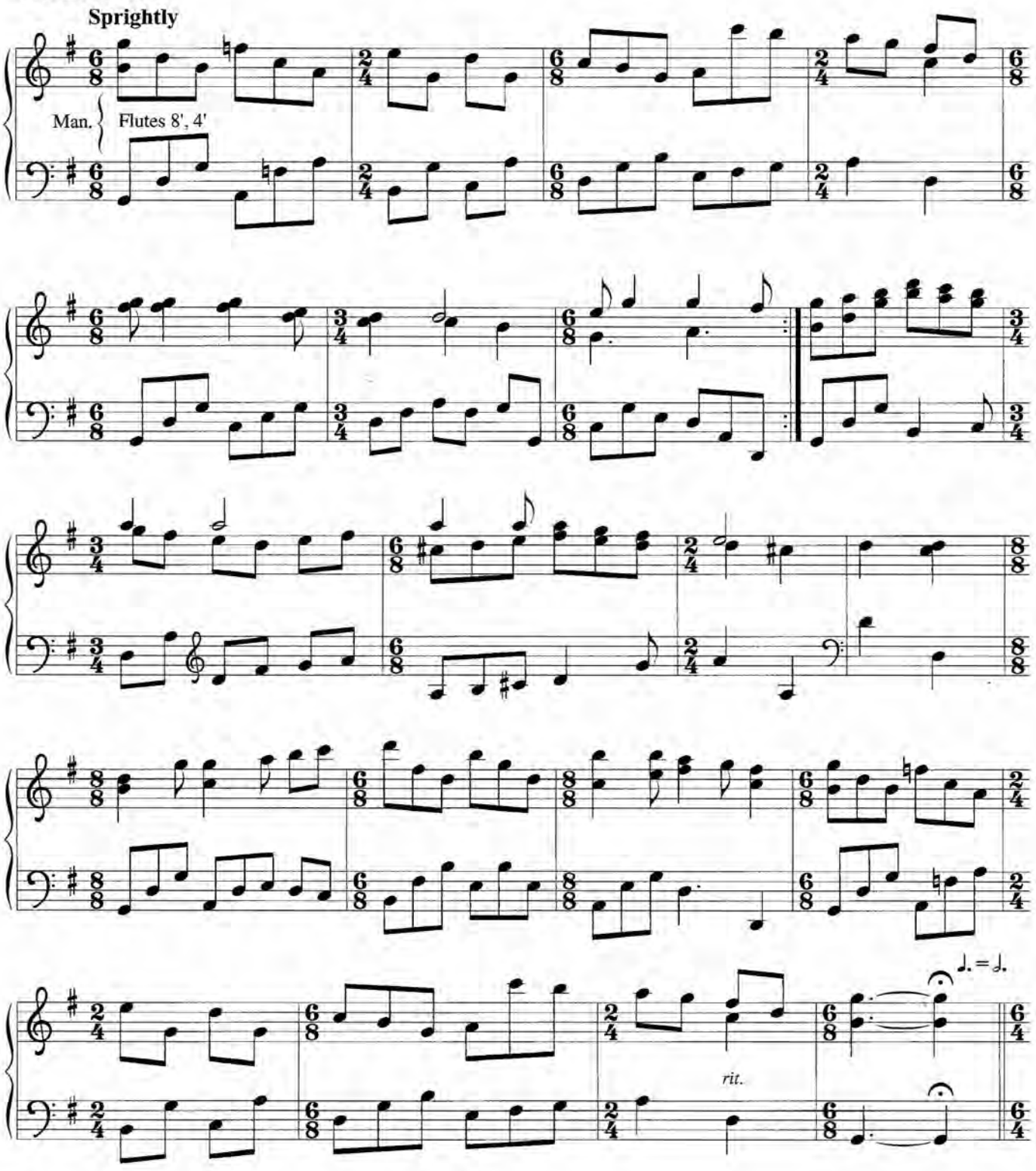

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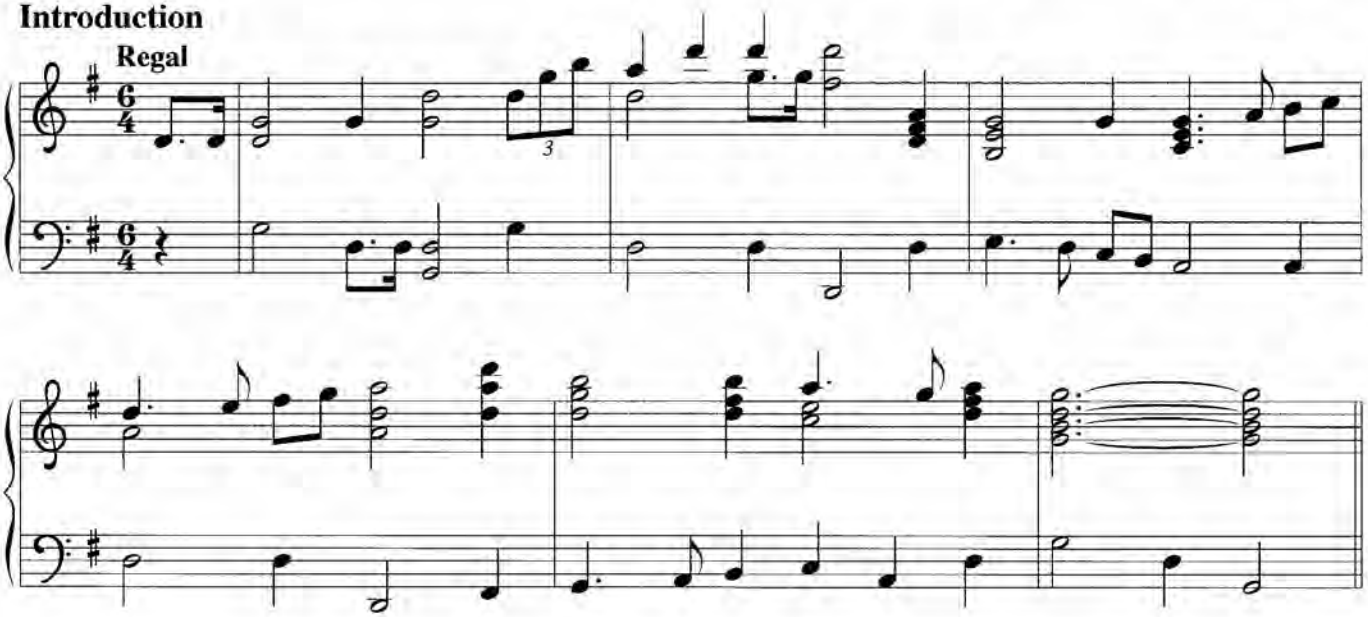

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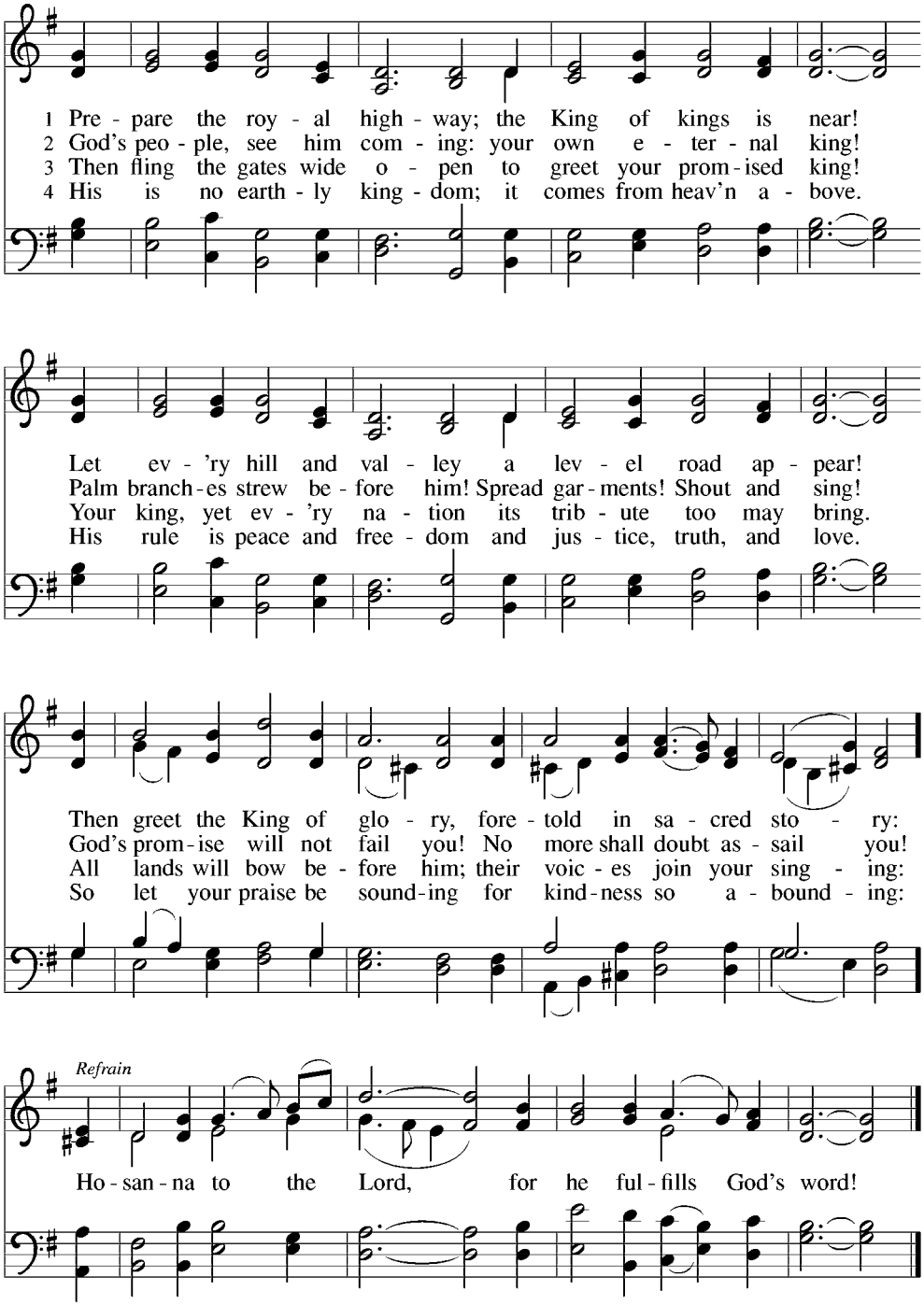

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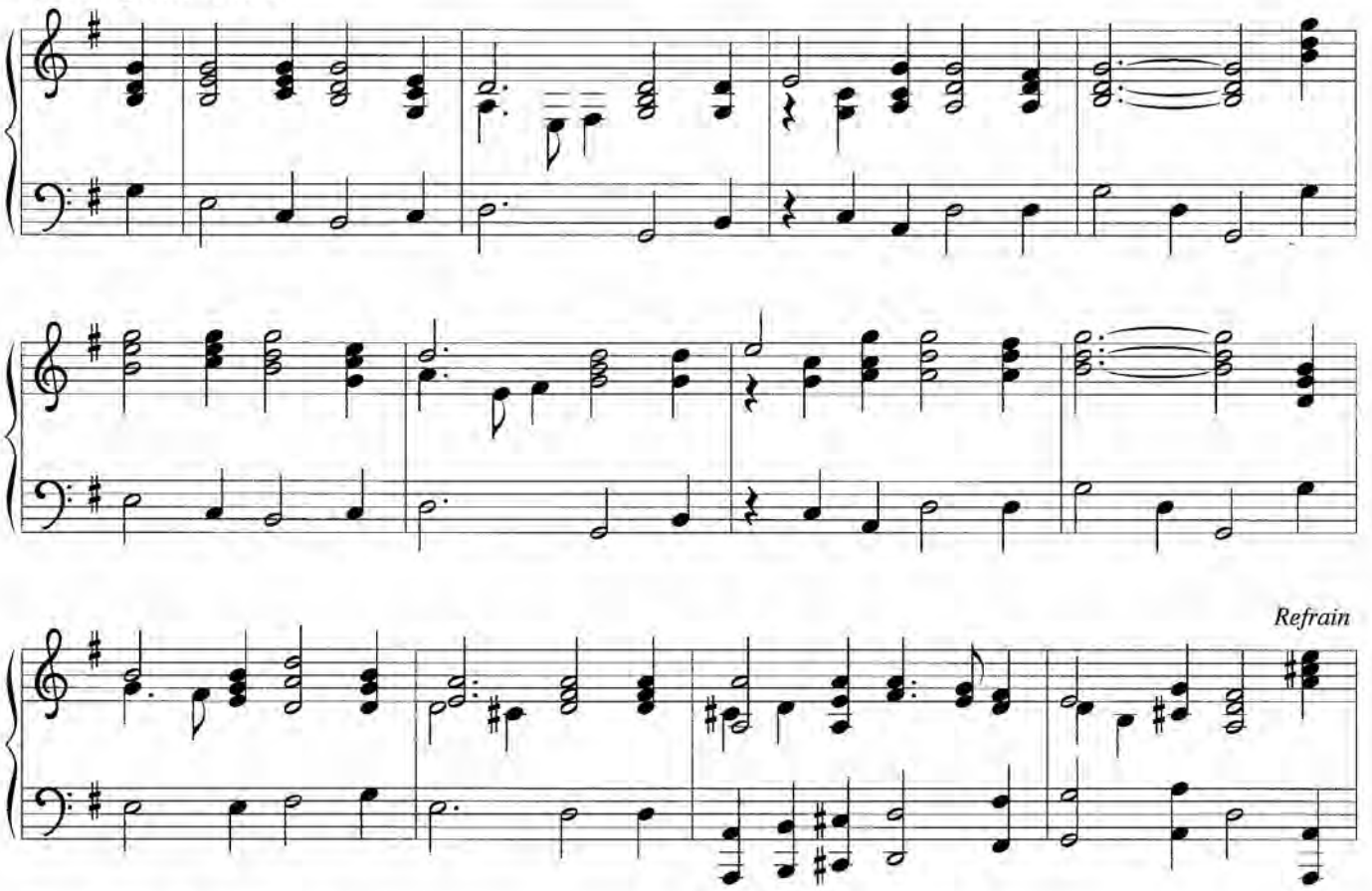

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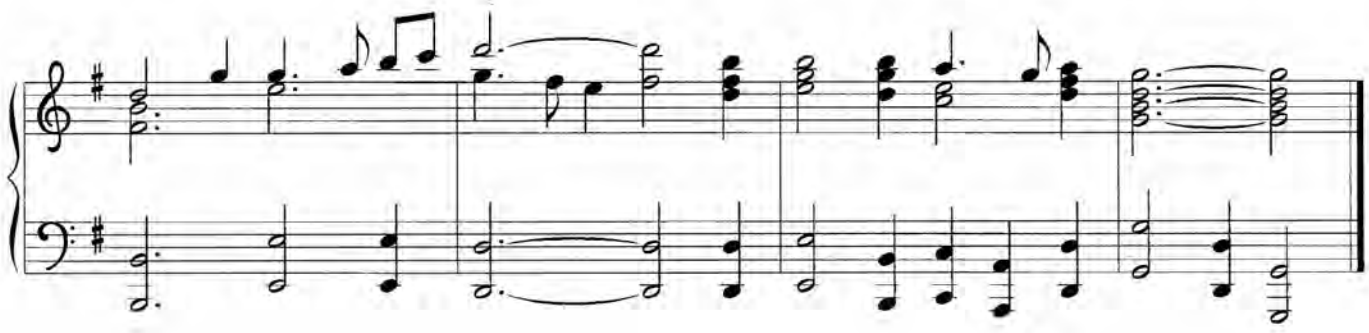

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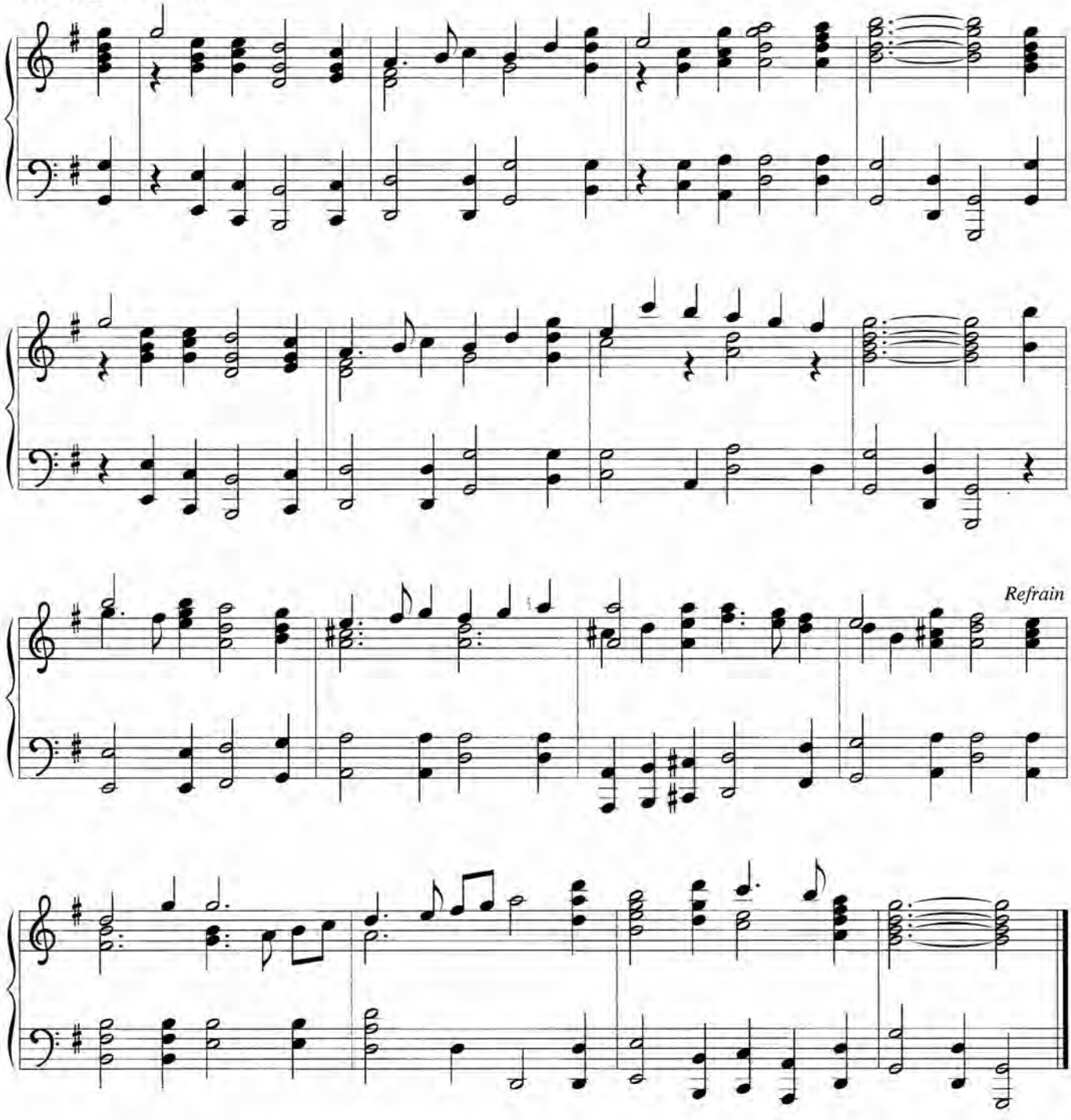

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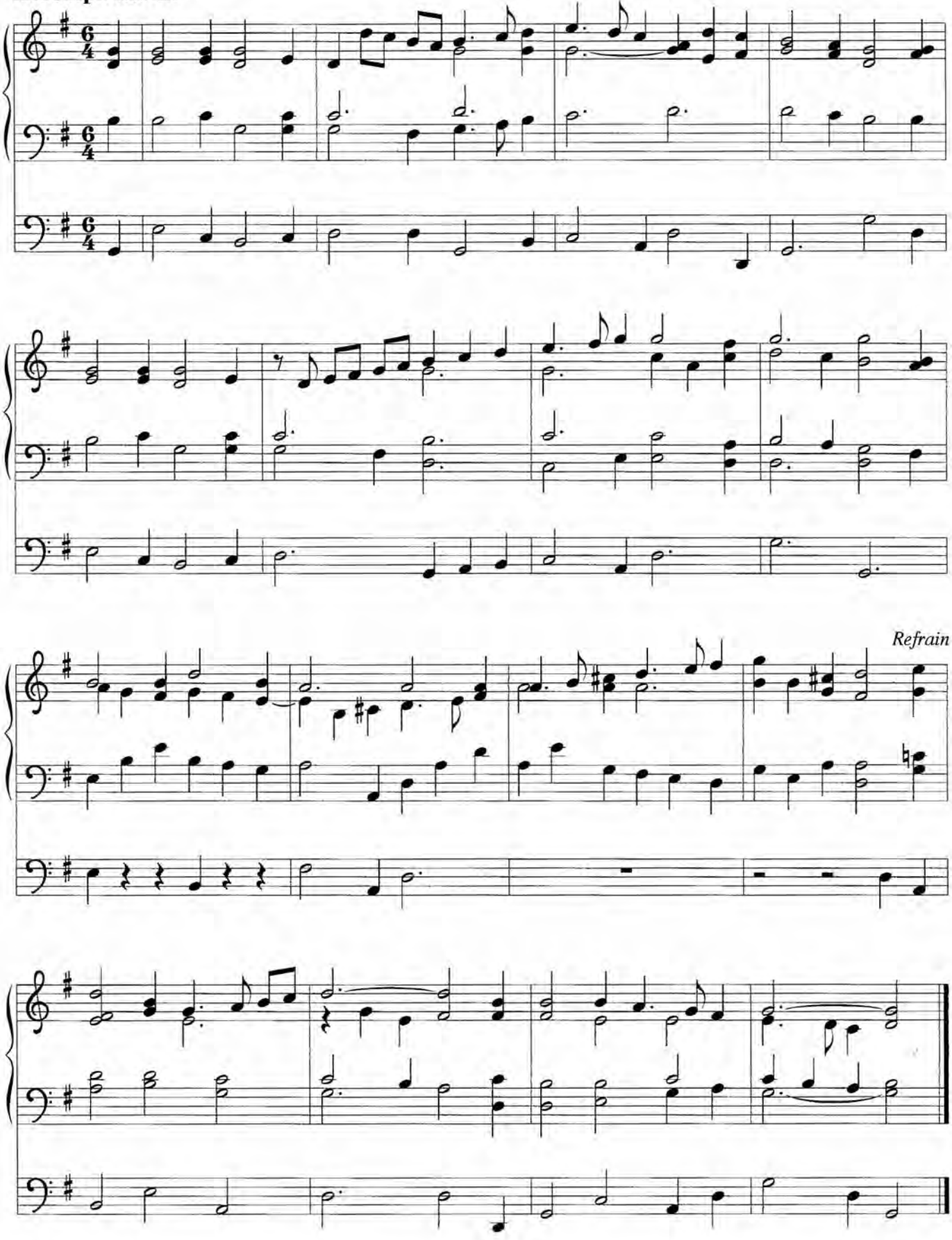

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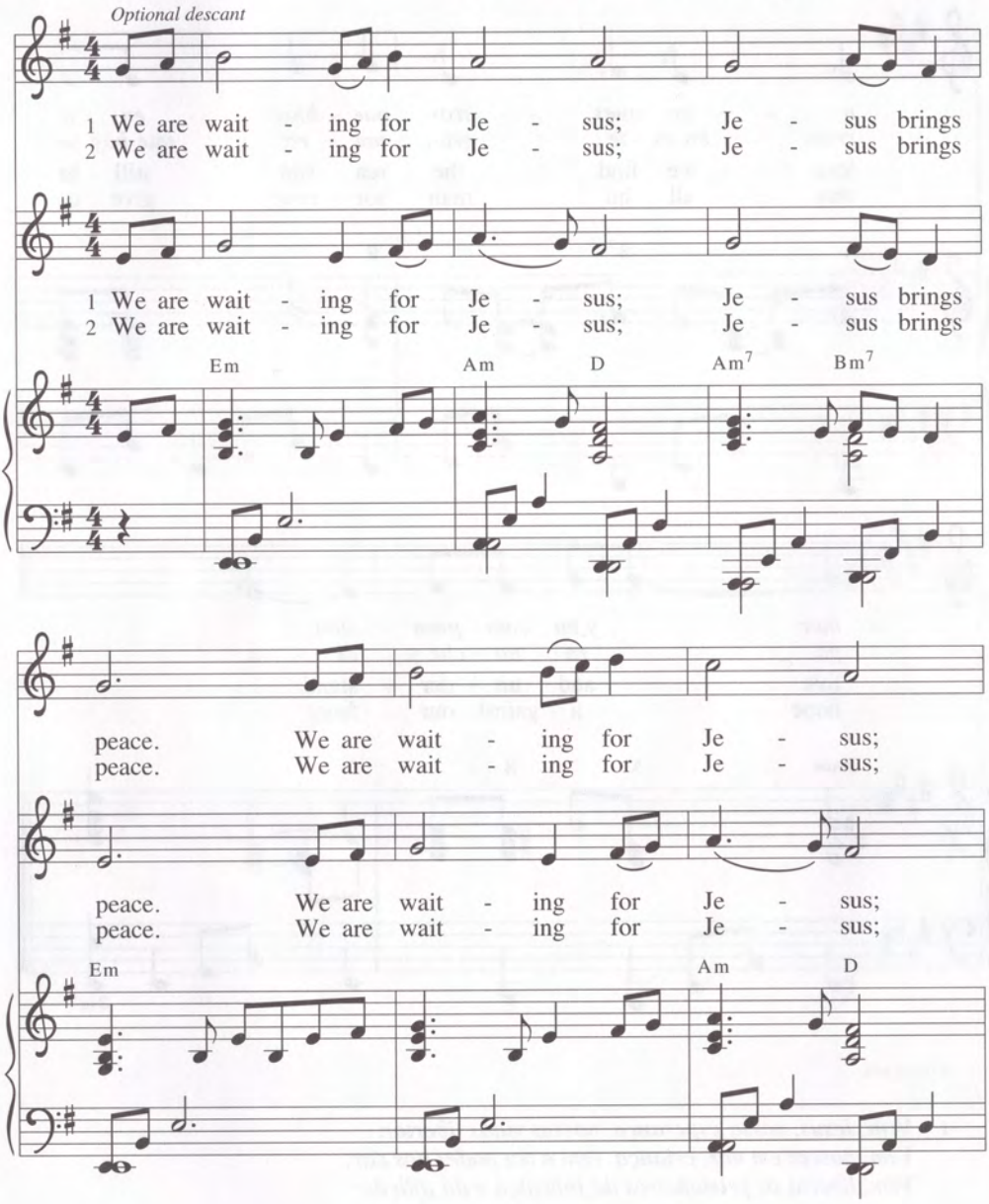

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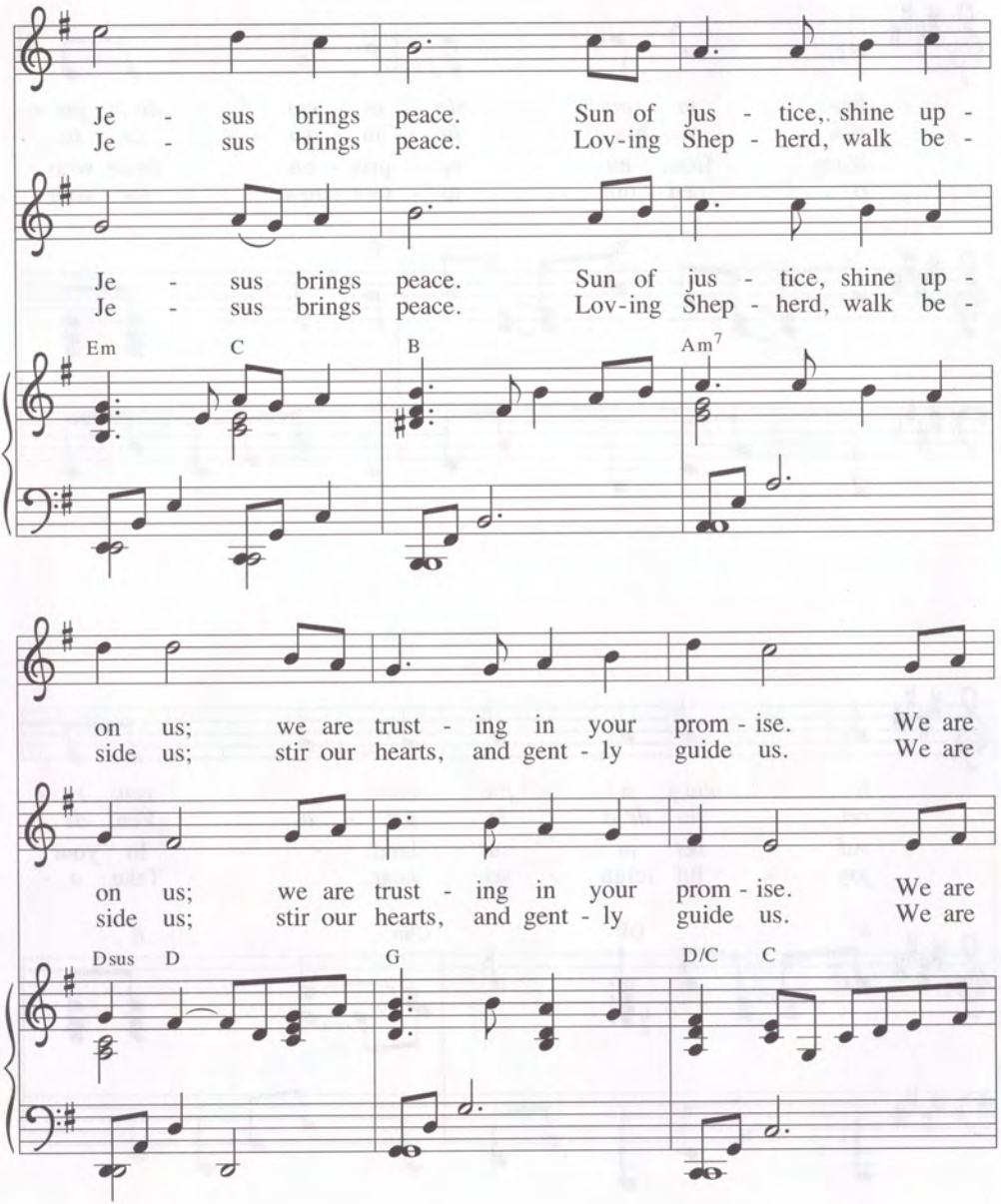
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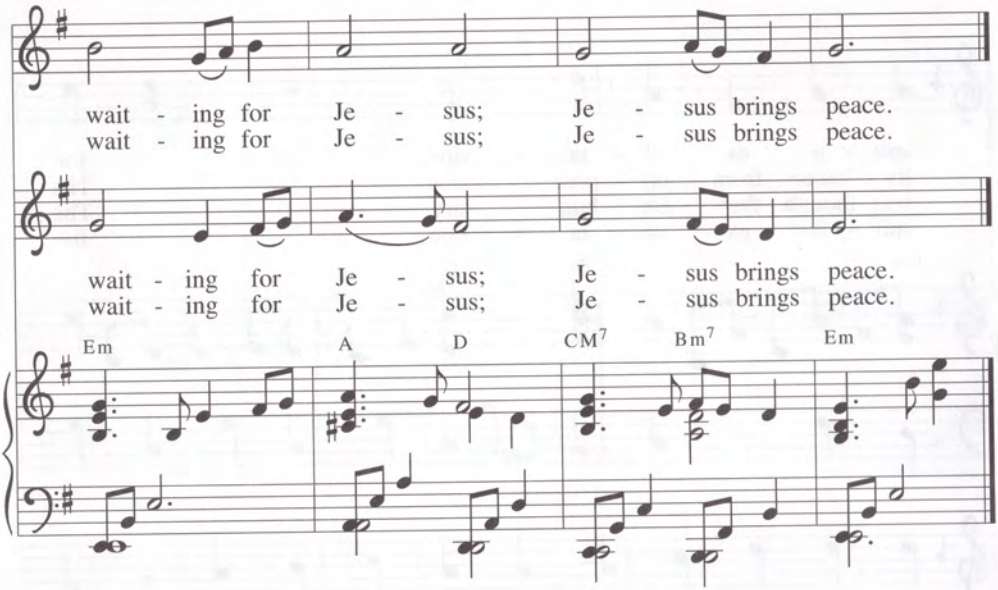
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L: As we light the candle of *peace,* we acknowledge that we live in a world that races for money and success, that worships busyness and productivity, that hoards and consumes.

C: We are waiting for the One who will turn the world around, so we will know that there is enough and that we are enough, and so we can be still and rest. Come, Lord Jesus.

We Are Waiting for Jesus (v. 2) ACS #905

2. We are waiting for Jesus; Jesus brings peace.
   We are waiting for Jesus; Jesus brings peace.
   Loving Shepherd, walk beside us; stir our hearts, and gently guide us.
   We are waiting for Jesus; Jesus brings peace.

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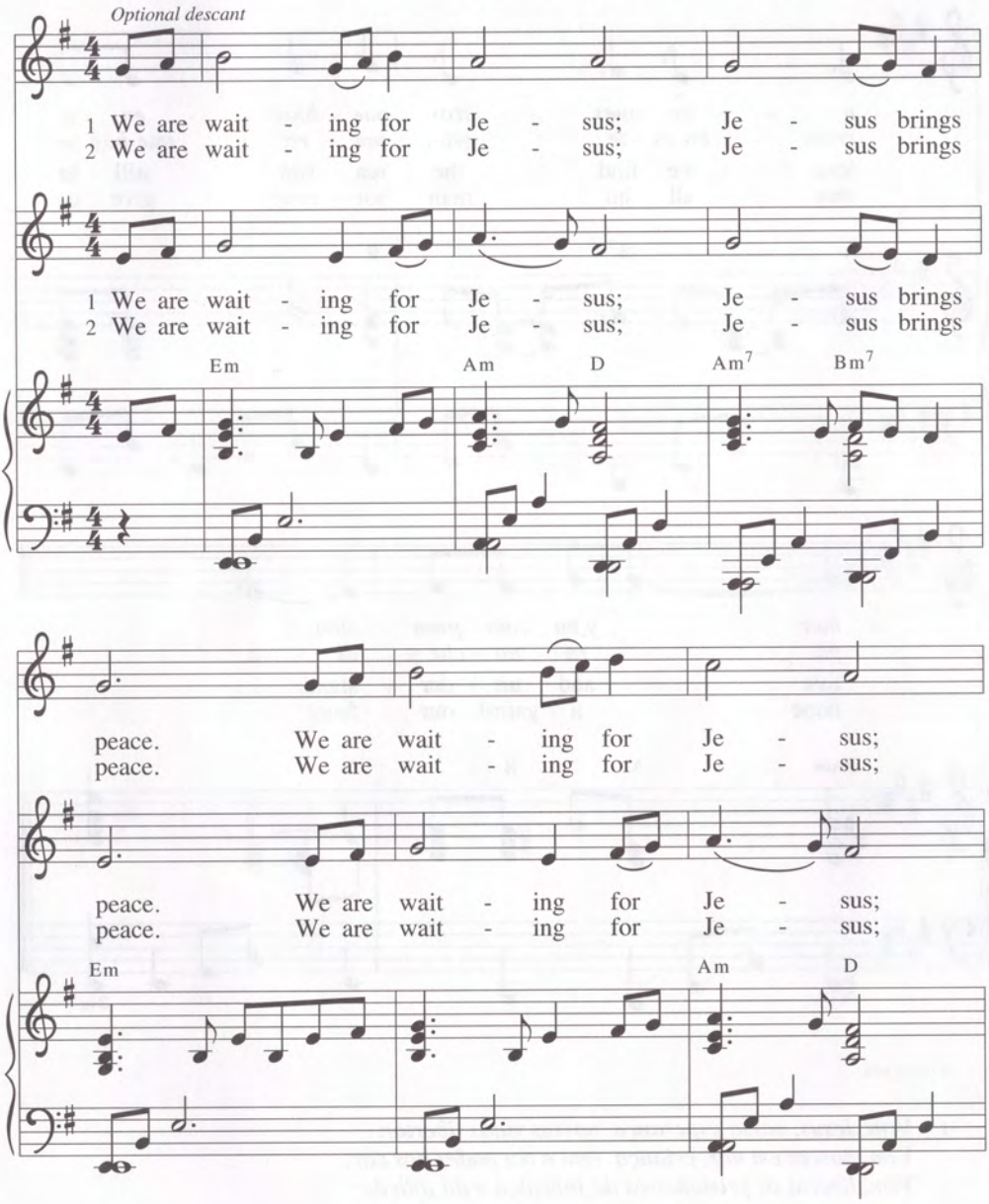

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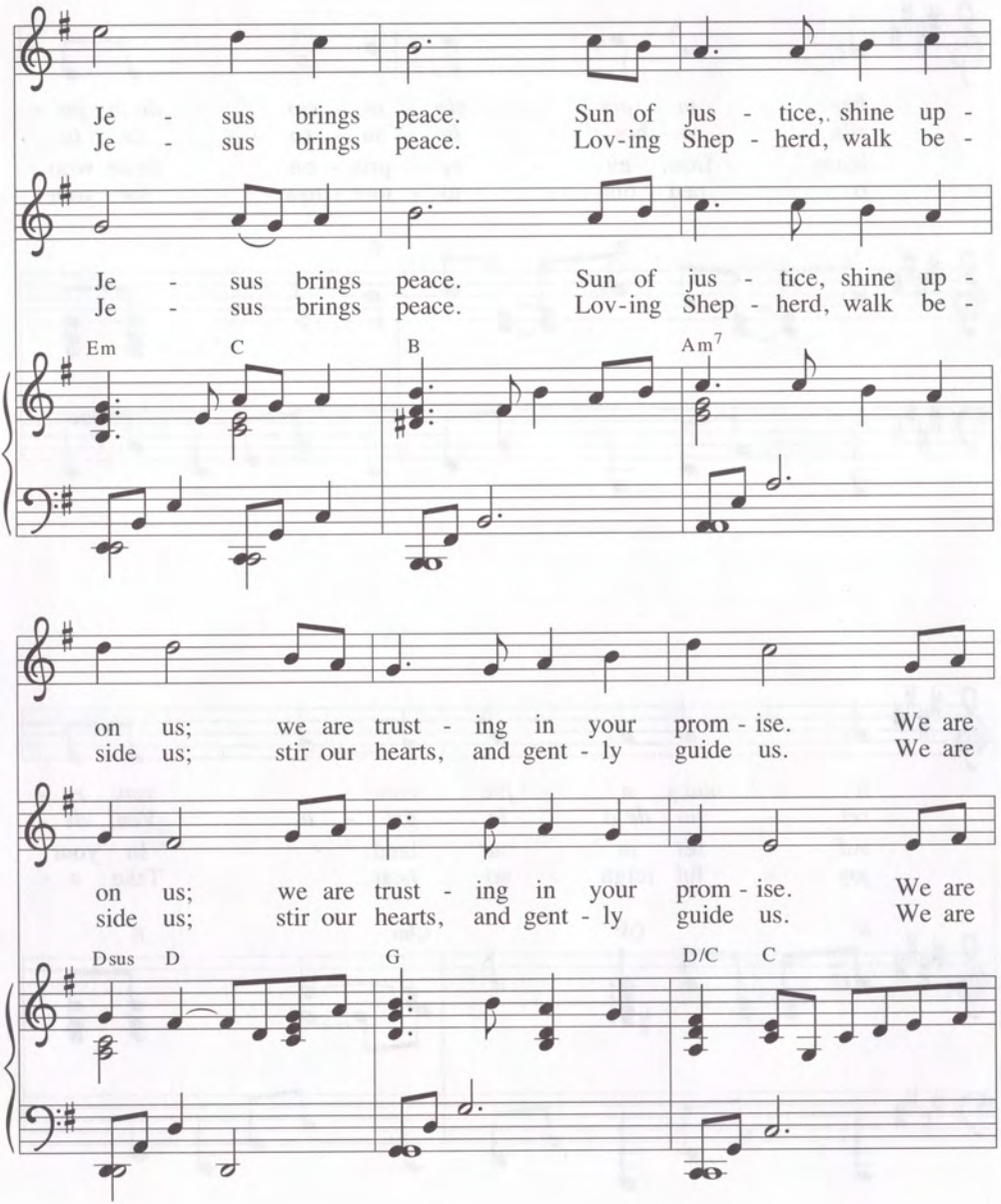
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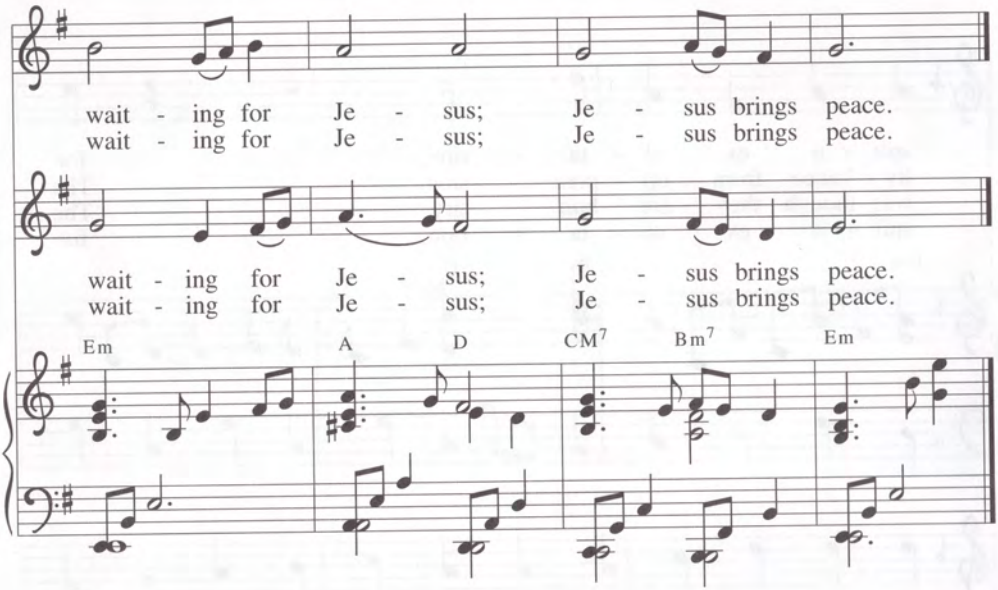
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L: We pray together the prayer of the day… **C: Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming give to all the people of the world knowledge of your salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

WORD

L: The 1st Reading is from Malachi 3:1-4

The Coming Messenger
3 "Behold, I send my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. 2 But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

"For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; 3 he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, till they present right offerings to the Lord. 4 Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

L: Word of God, word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Responsive Reading: Luke 1:68-79 *(Zechariah's Prophecy)*
L: "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has looked favorably on his people and redeemed them.
C: He has raised up a mighty savior for us in the house of his servant David, as he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old, that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us.
L: Thus he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors, and has remembered his holy covenant, the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham,
C: to grant us that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies, might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him all our days.
L: And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, to give knowledge of salvation to his people by the forgiveness of their sins.
C: By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."

2nd Reading: Philippians 1:3-11

Paul's Prayer for the Philippians
3 I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, 4 always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, 5 thankful for your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. 6 And I am sure that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion

at the day of Jesus Christ. 7 It is right for me to feel thus about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. 8 For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. 9 And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, 10 so that you may approve what is excellent, and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, 11 filled with the fruits of righteousness which come through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

L: Word of God, word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation: Halle, Halle, Hallelujah ELW #172
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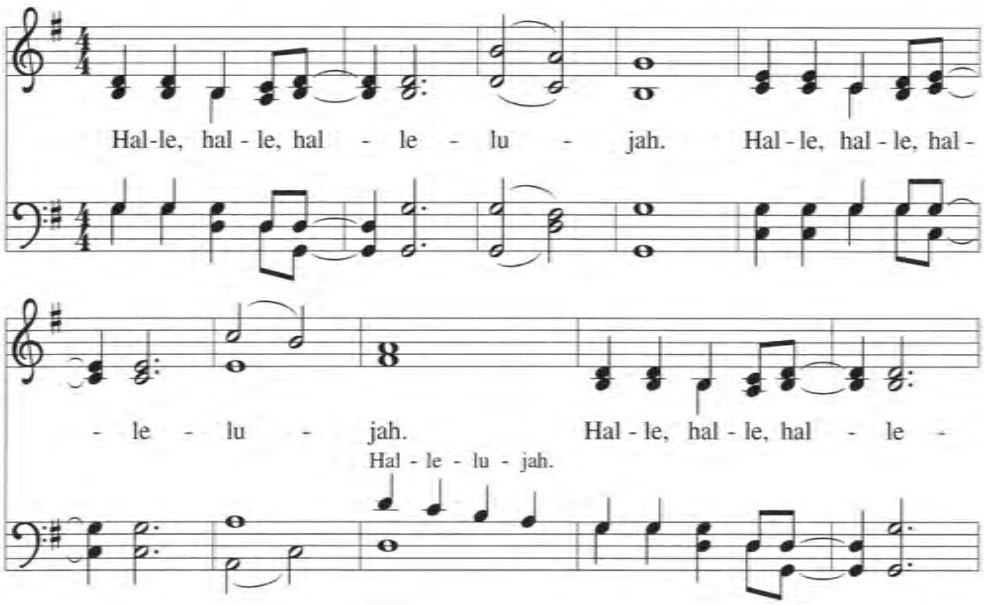

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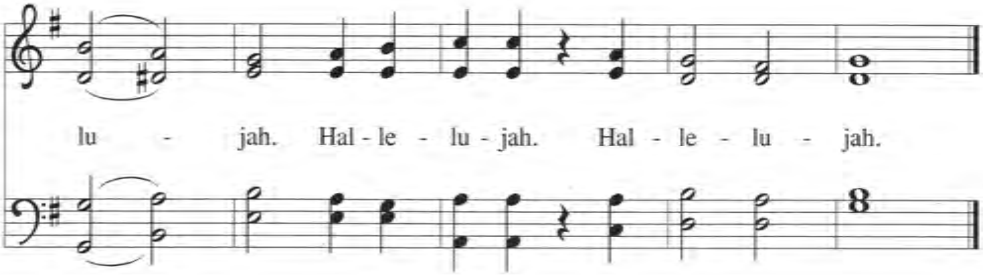
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Gospel Reading: Luke 3:1-6

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

The Proclamation of John the Baptist
3 In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tibe'ri-us Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Iturae'a and Trachoni'tis, and Lysa'ni-as tetrarch of Abile'ne, 2 in the high-priesthood of Annas and Ca'iaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechari'ah in the wilderness; 3 and he went into all the region about the Jordan, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. 4 As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet,

"The voice of one crying in the wilderness:
Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.
5 Every valley shall be filled,
and every mountain and hill shall be brought low,
and the crooked shall be made straight,
and the rough ways shall be made smooth;
6 and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

L: The gospel of our Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Time

Sermon Rev. Tammy Bull

Hymn of the Day: On Jordan's Banks ELW #249

1. On Jordan's banks the Baptist's cry announces that the Lord is nigh;
   Awake and hearken, for he brings glad tiding of the King of kings!
2. Then cleansed be ev'ry life from sin; make straight the way for God within,
   And let us all our hearts prepare for Christ to come and enter there.
3. We hail you as our Savior, Lord, our refuge and our great reward;
   Without your grace we waste away like flow'rs that wither and decay.
4. Stretch forth your hand, our health restore, and make us rise to fall no more;
   Oh, let your face upon us shine and fill the world with love divine.
5. All praise to you, eternal Son, whose advent has our freedom won,
   Whom with the Father we adore, and Holy Spirit, evermore.

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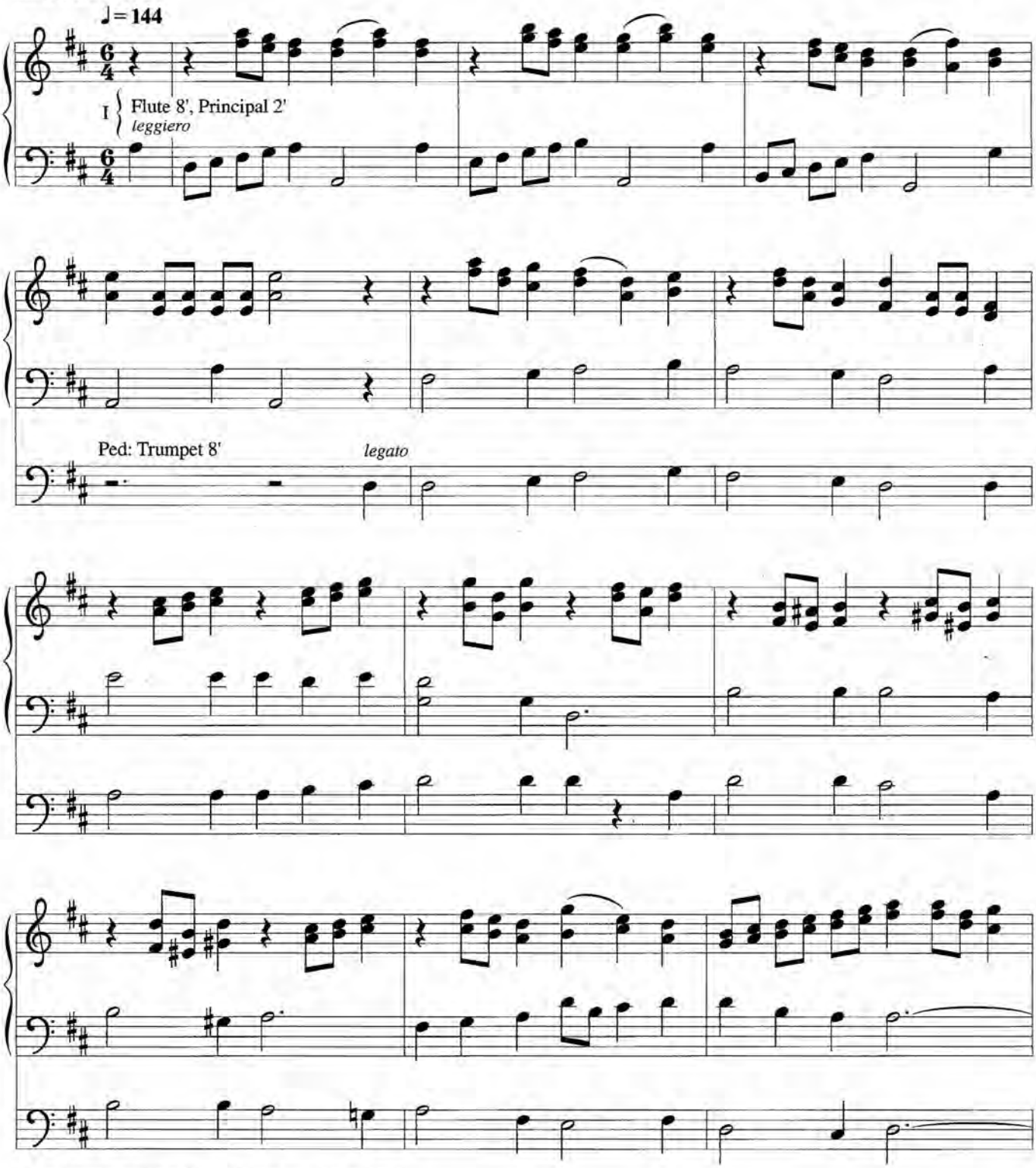

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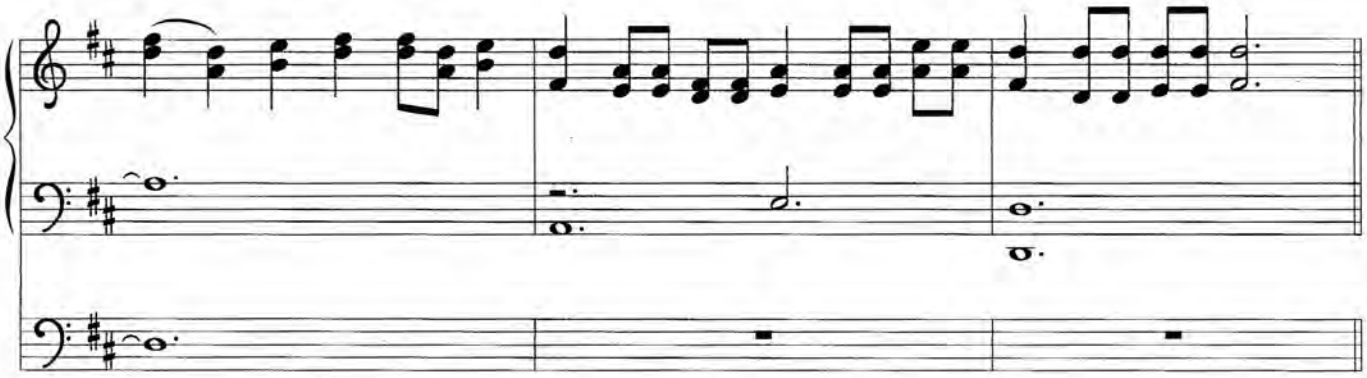

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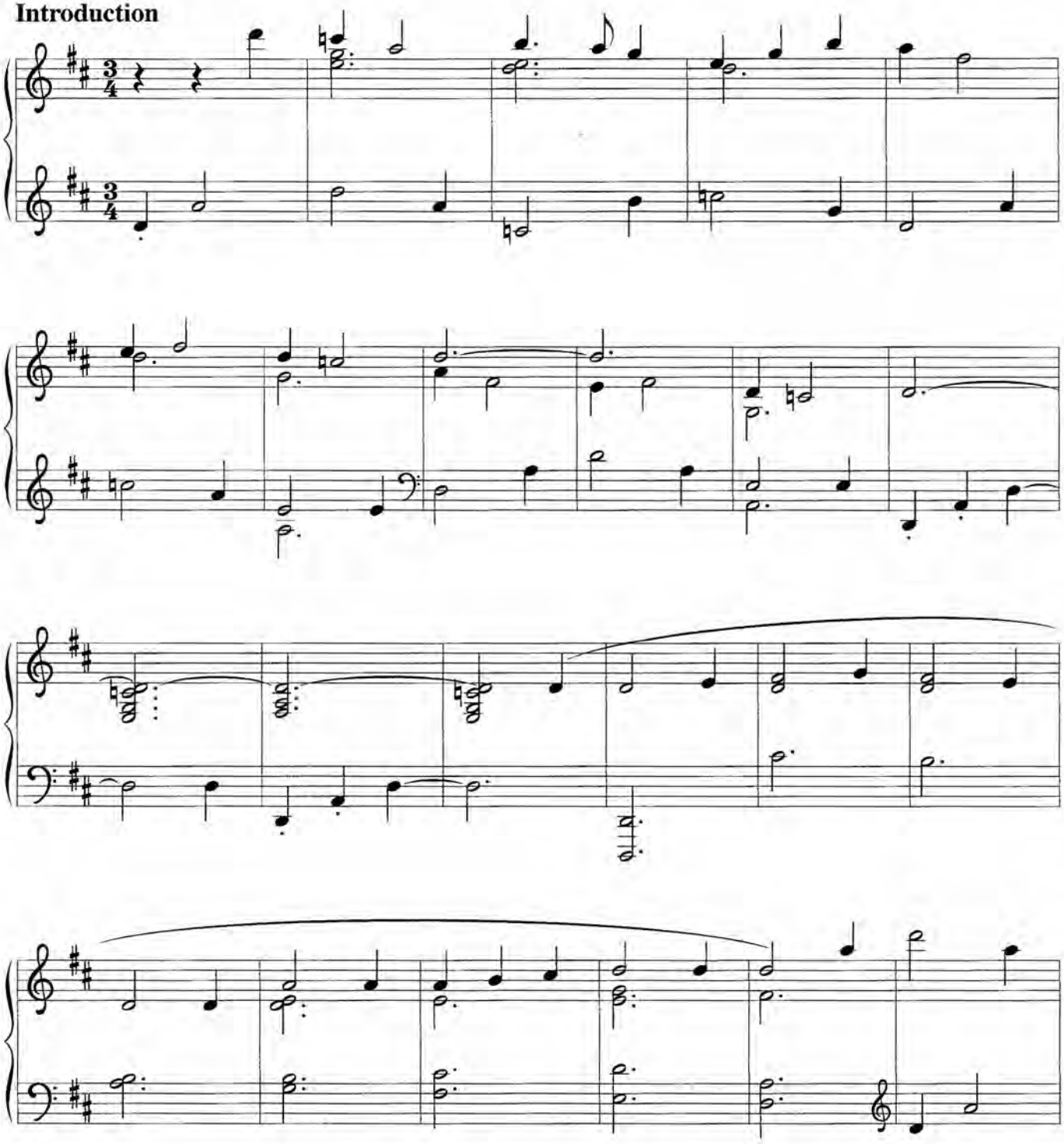

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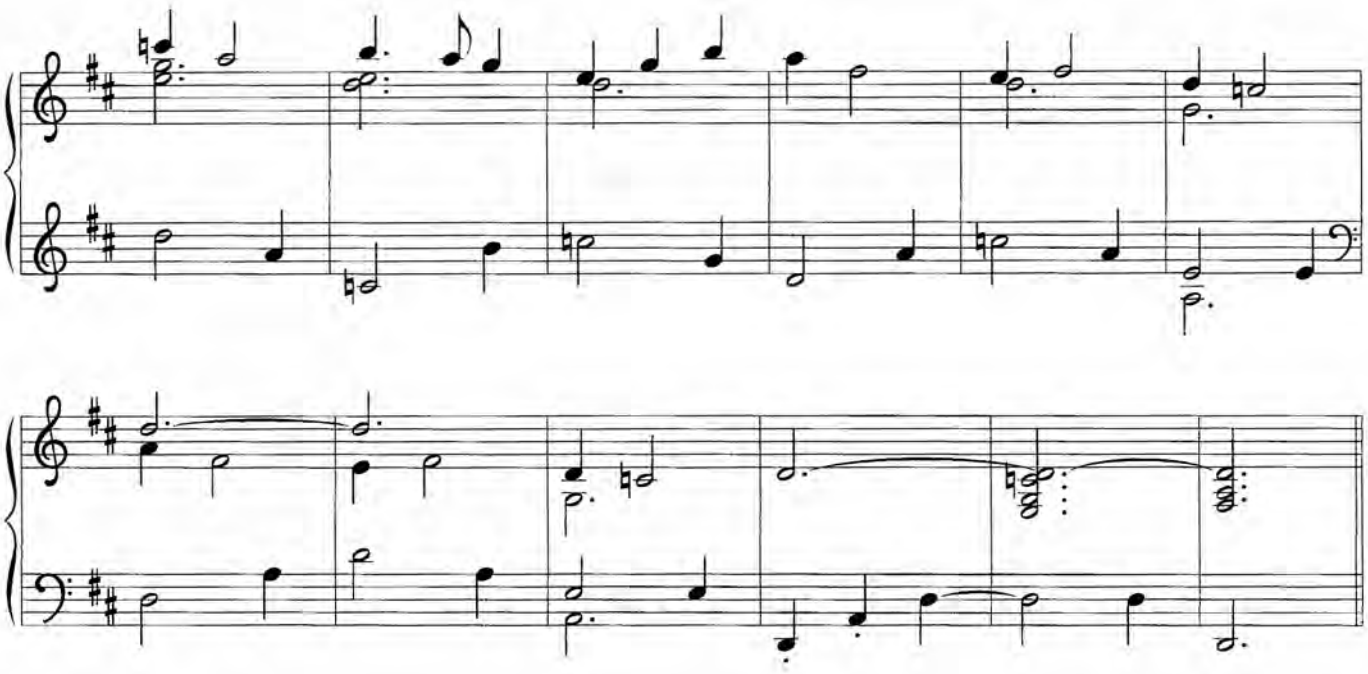

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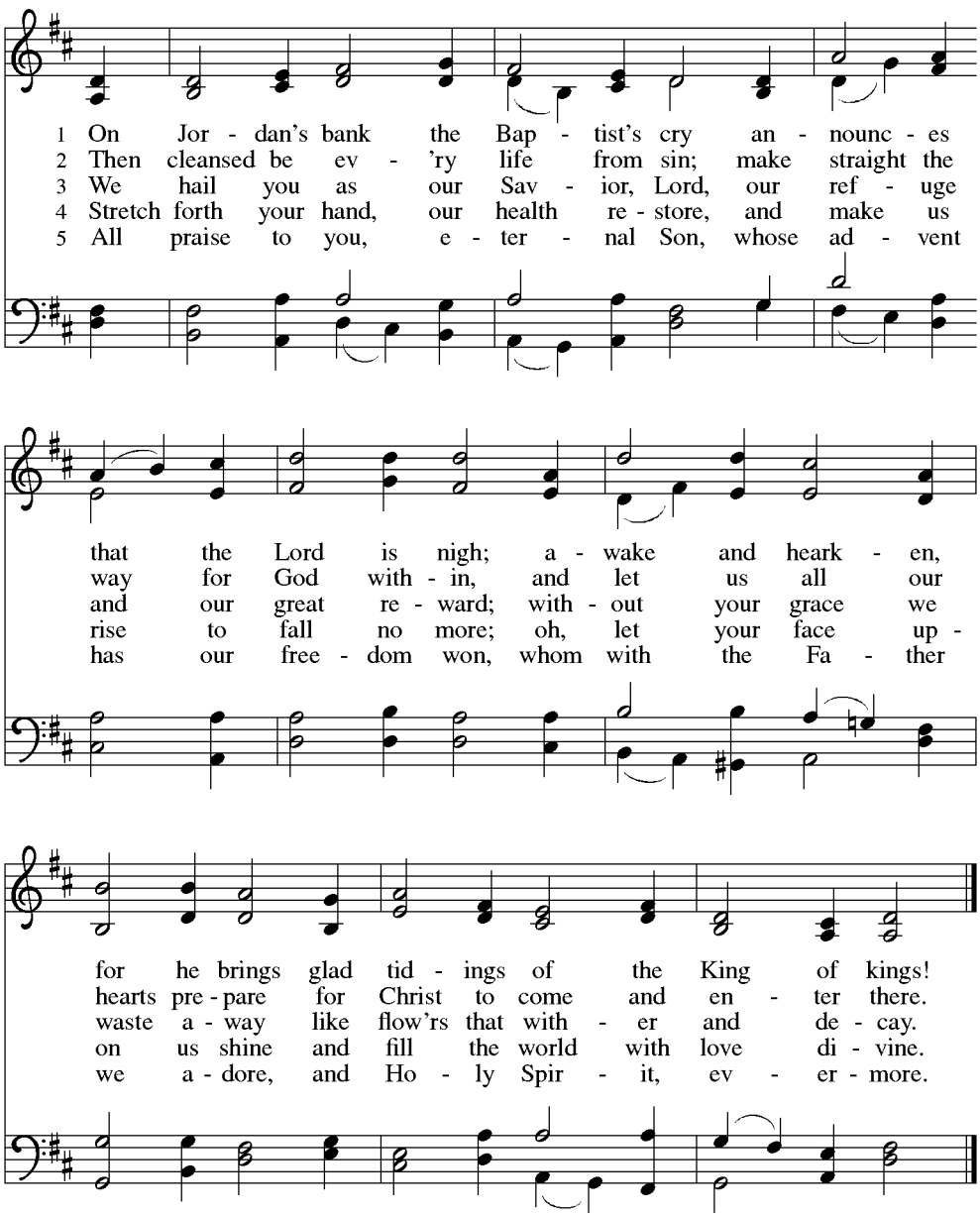

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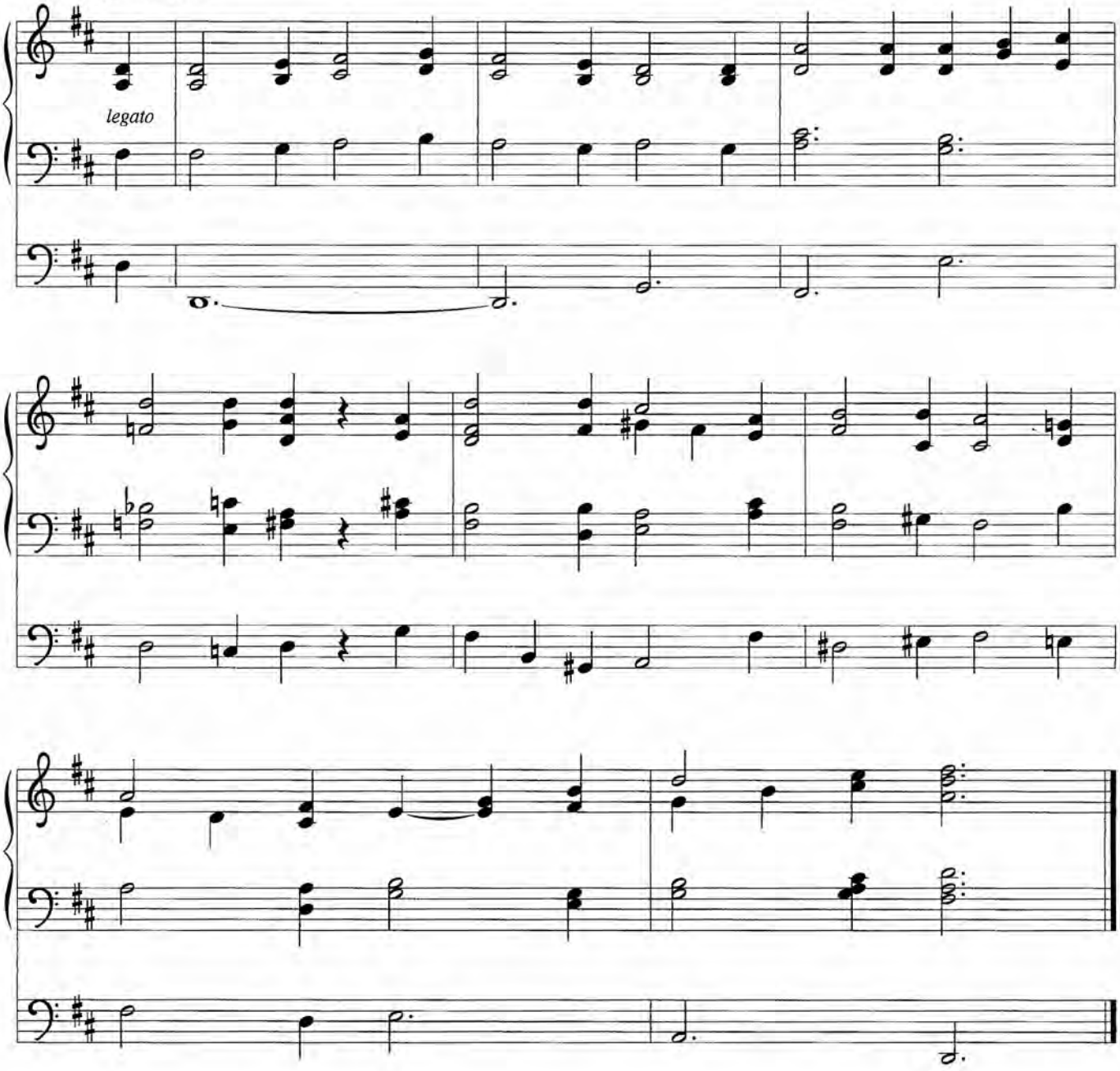

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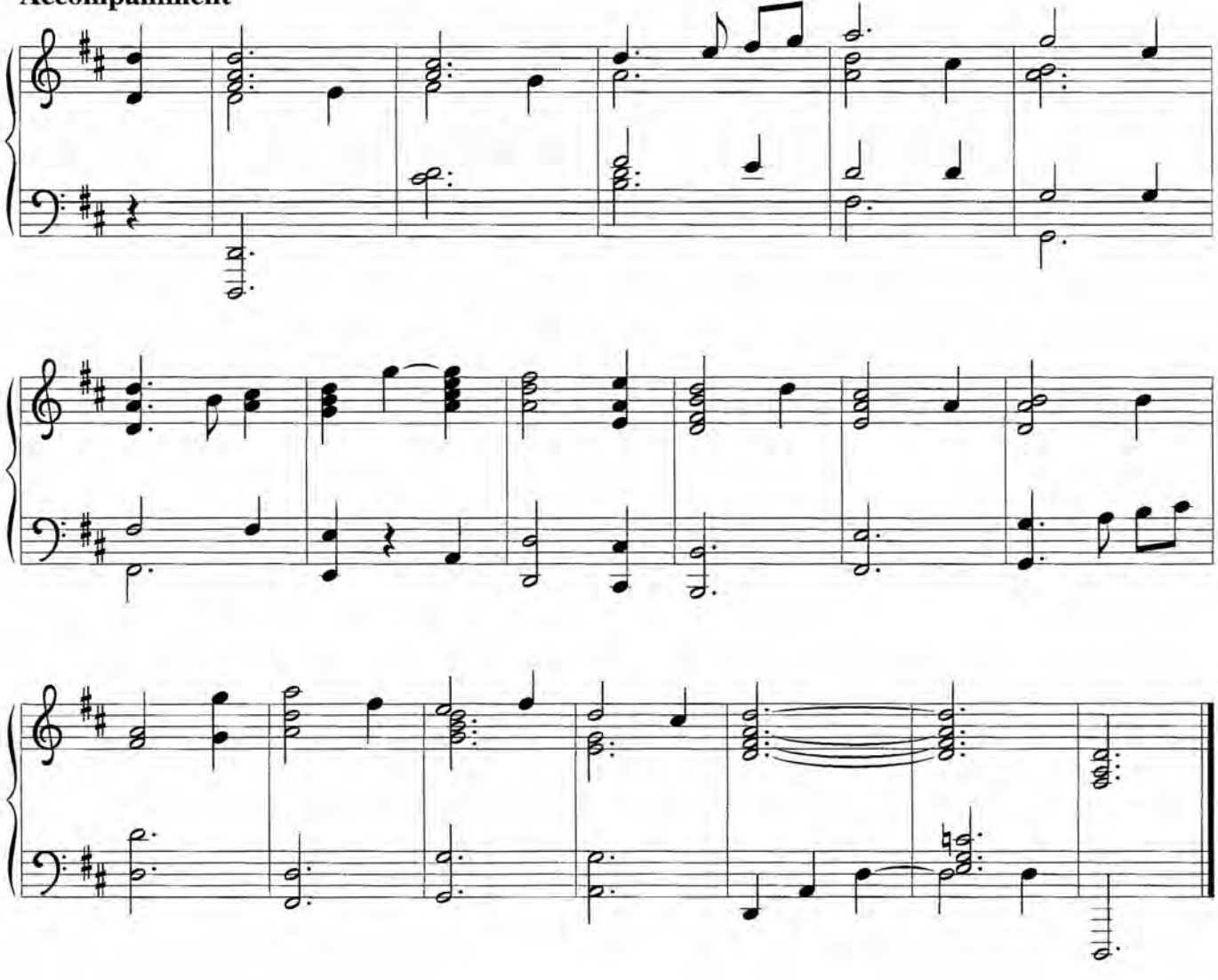

L: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we confess our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.

Prayers of the People *(petitions end "Lord in your mercy"... **"hear our prayer.")***

Sharing the Peace of Christ
L: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **C: And also with you.**
The Offering: (At this time we bring our gifts and offerings to God in gratitude and joy. In response to God's love, we care for others in the name of Jesus. We do this, in part, by extending our weekly worship beyond the four walls of the church via livestreaming. We appreciate your gifts of time, money, energy, and prayers to this work! If you are our guest today - either in person or online – we invite you to join us in caring for God's people and God's world!)

Offertory: *Grant Us Thy Peace* James Denton
Offering Response: Create in Me a Clean Heart ELW #186
Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

GRANT US THY PEACE

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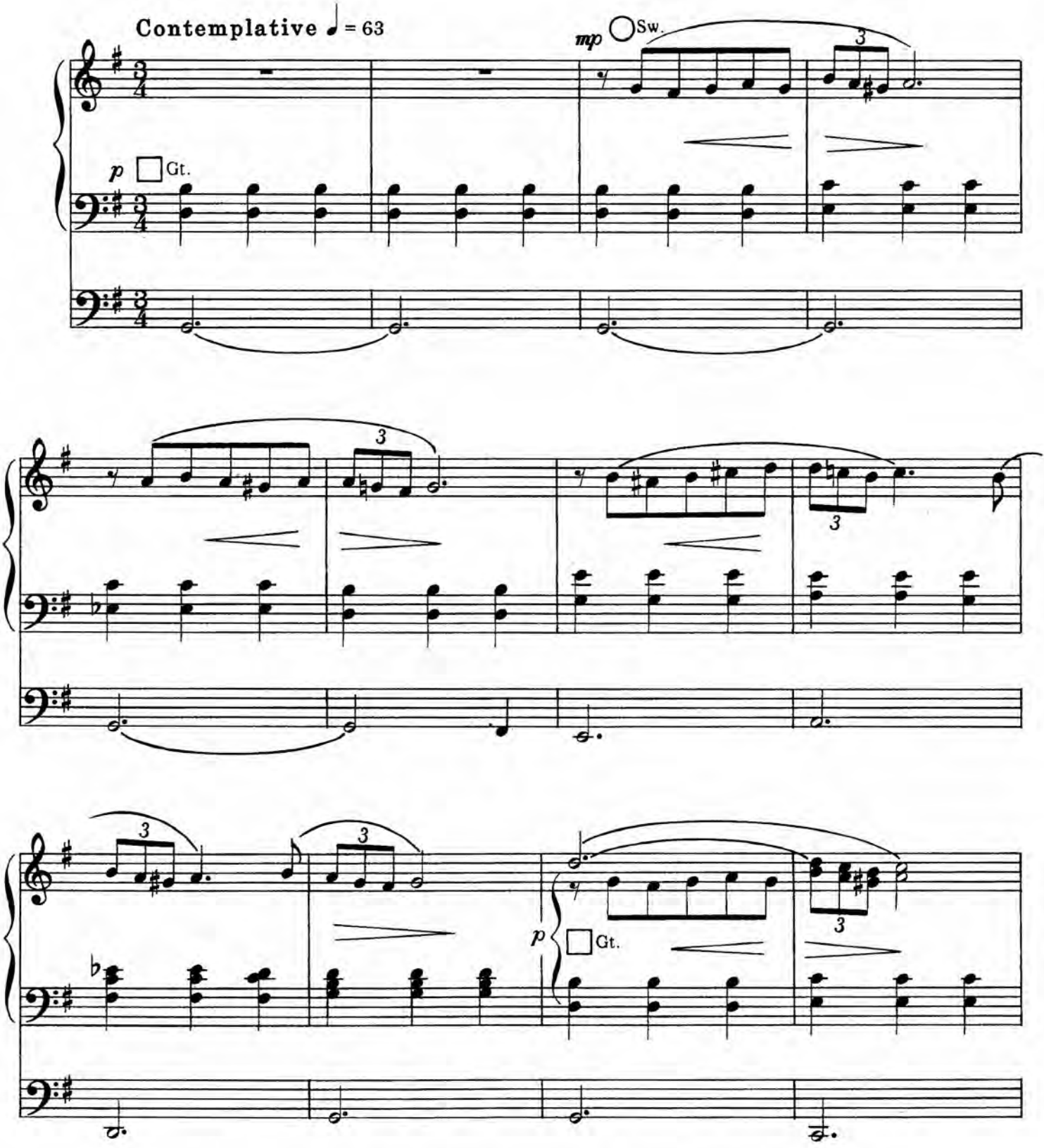

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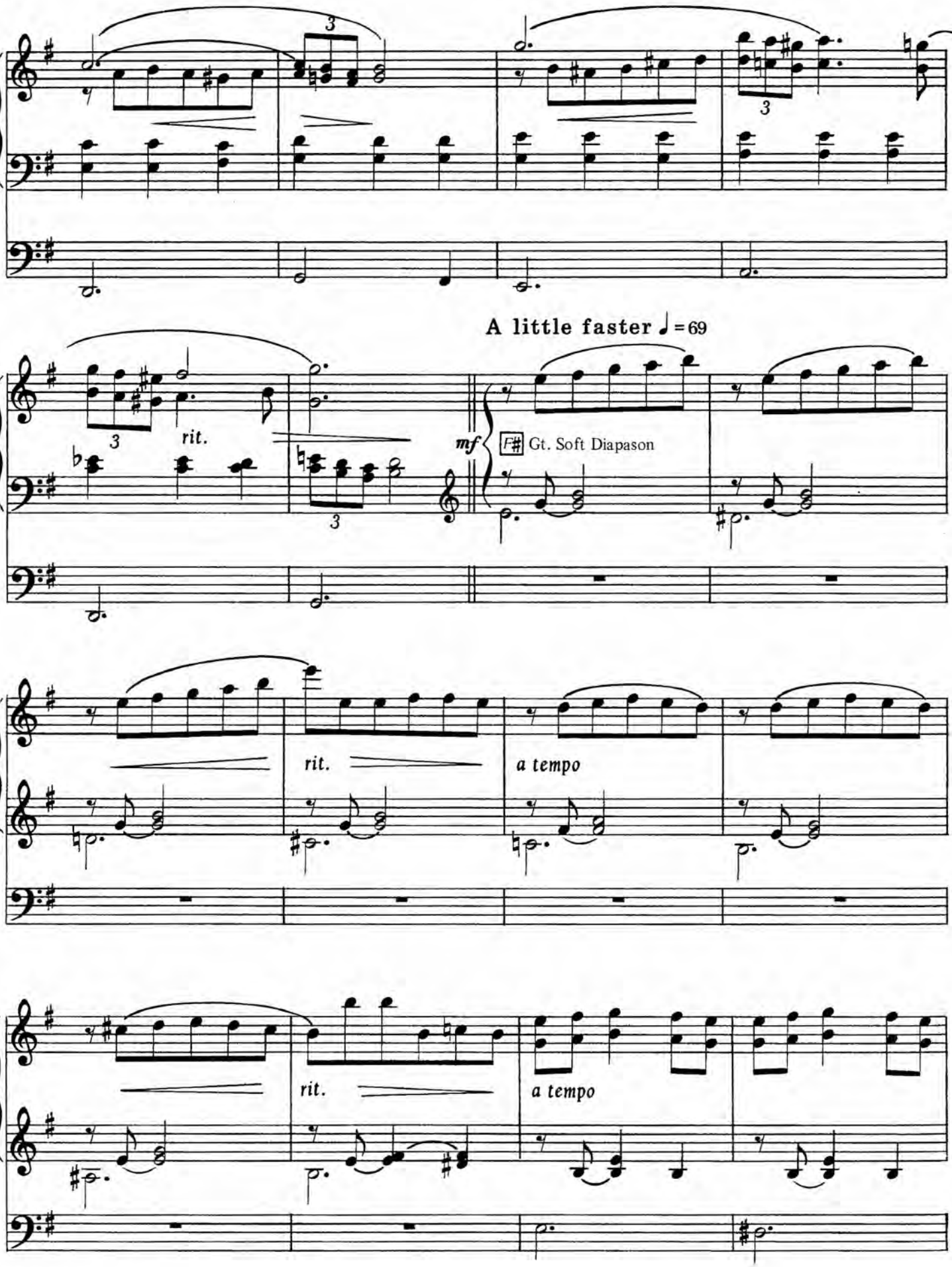
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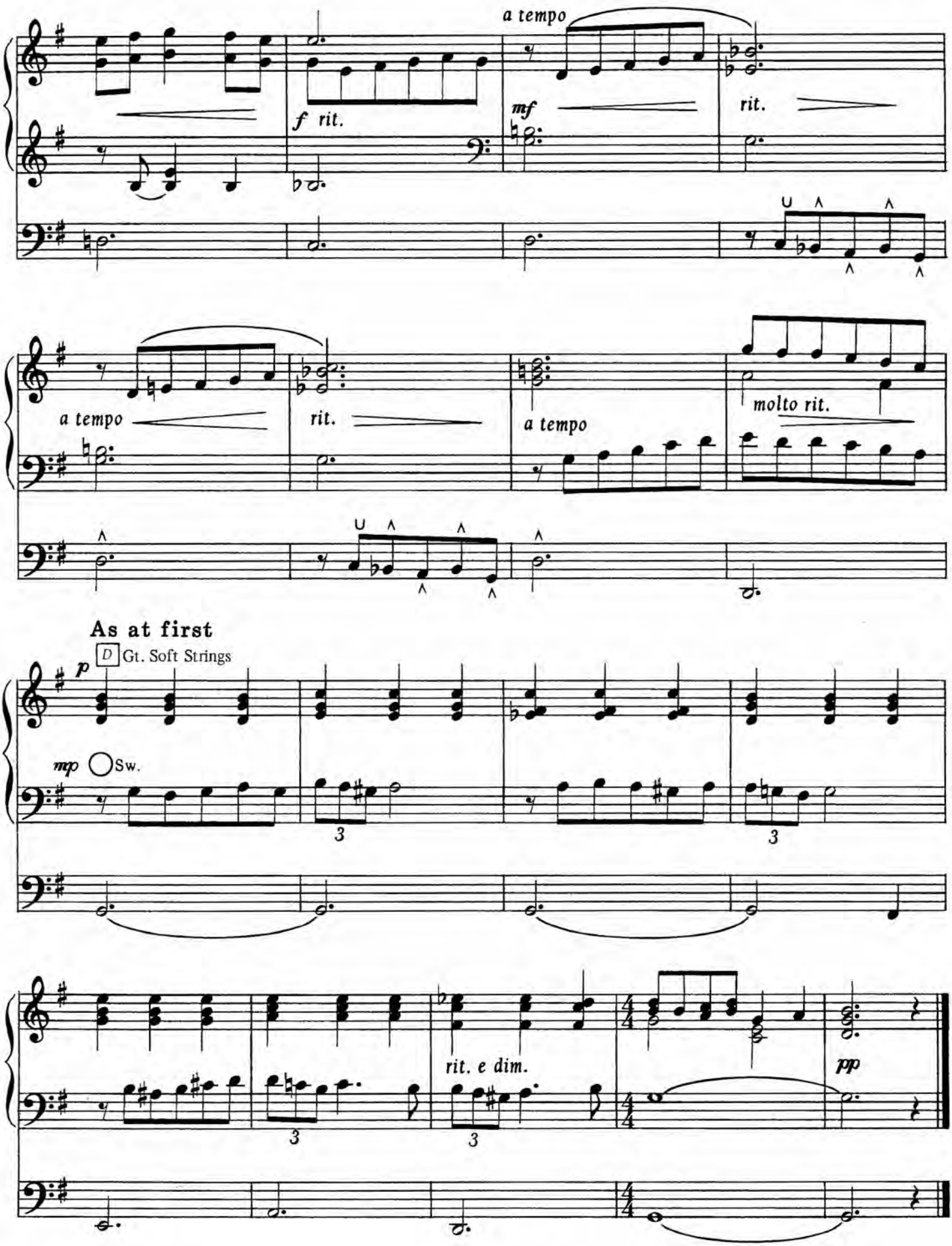
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Hymn # 186

Create in Me a Clean Heart

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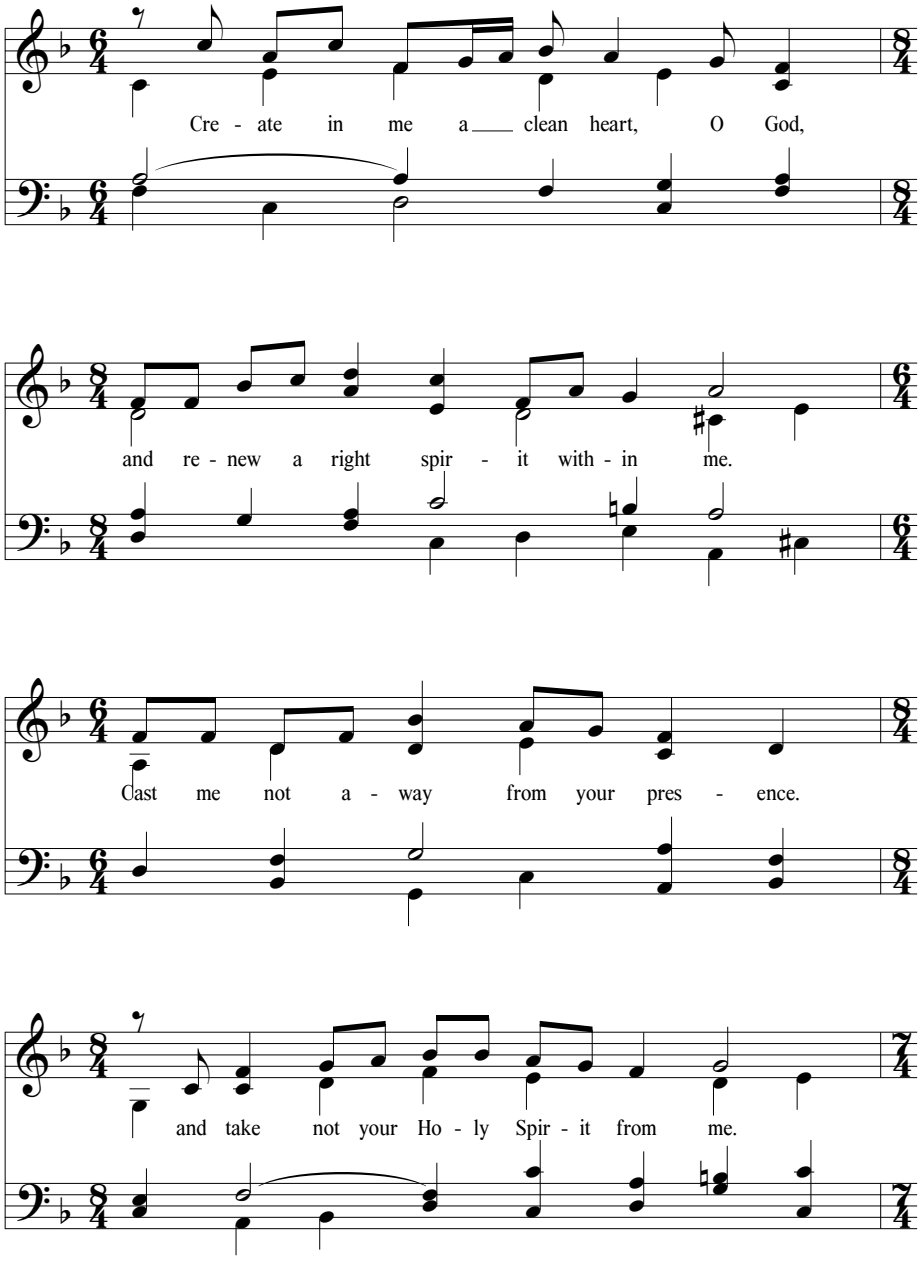

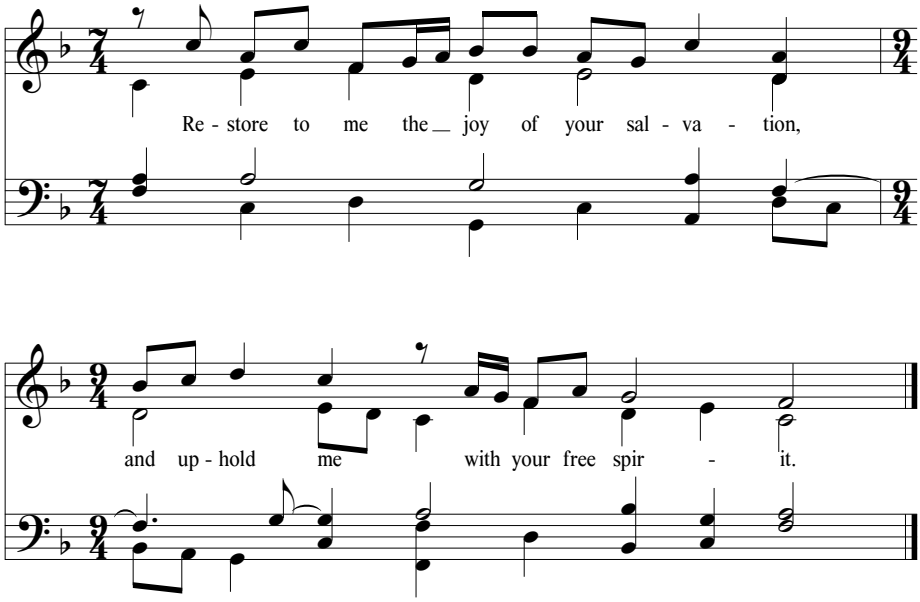
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and up - hold me with your free spir - it.

Offertory Prayer: **C: God of abundance, we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming of your Son, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution & Lord's Prayer

P: "In the night in which he was betrayed…" **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. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

Invitation to the Lord's Table

God feeds us with tender mercy. Come to the table.

Wait for the Lord (sing twice) ELW #262

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near. Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart.

Hymn during Communion: O Lord, How Shall I Meet You ELW #241

1. O Lord, how shall I meet you, how welcome you aright?
   Your people long to greet you, my hope, my heart's delight!
   Oh, kindle, Lord most holy, your lamp within my breast
   To do in spirit lowly all that may please you best.
2. I lay in fetters groaning; you came to set me free.
   I stood, my shame bemoaning; you came to honor me.
   A glorious crown you give me, a treasure safe on high
   That will not fail or leave me as earthly riches fly.
3. Love caused your incarnation; love brought you down to me.
   Your thirst for my salvation procured my liberty.
   Oh, love beyond all telling, that led you to embrace
   In love, all love excelling, our lost and fallen race.
4. Rejoice, then, you sad-hearted, who sit in deepest gloom,
   Who mourn your joys departed and tremble at your doom.
   All hail the Lord's appearing! O glorious Sun, now come,
   Send forth your beams so cheering and guide us safely home.

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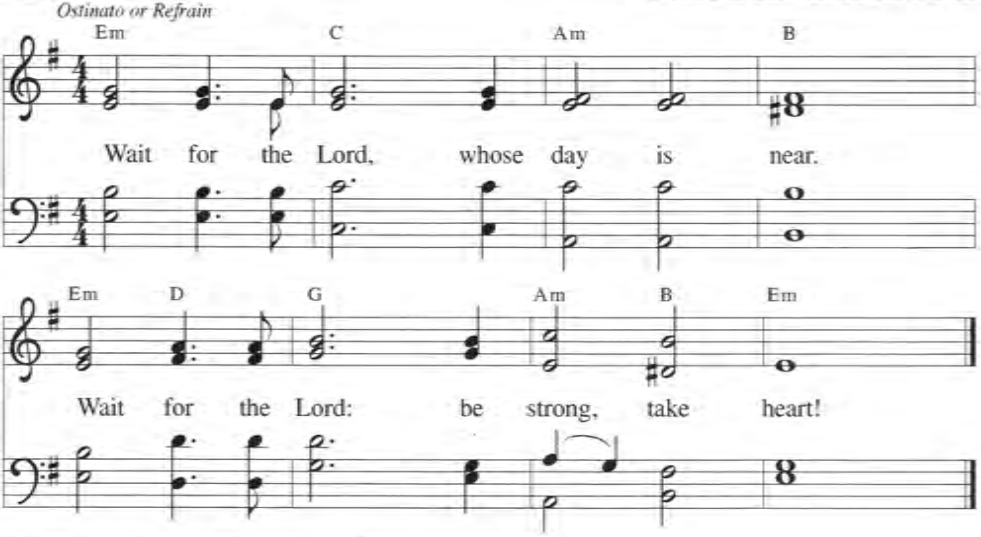

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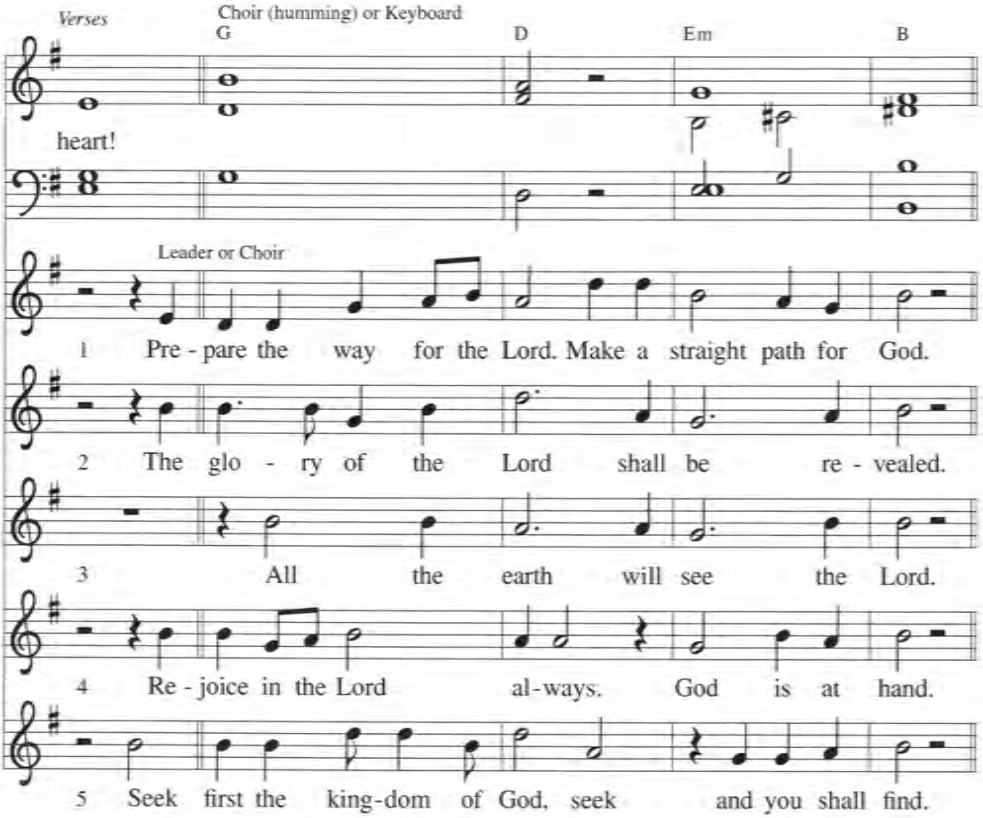

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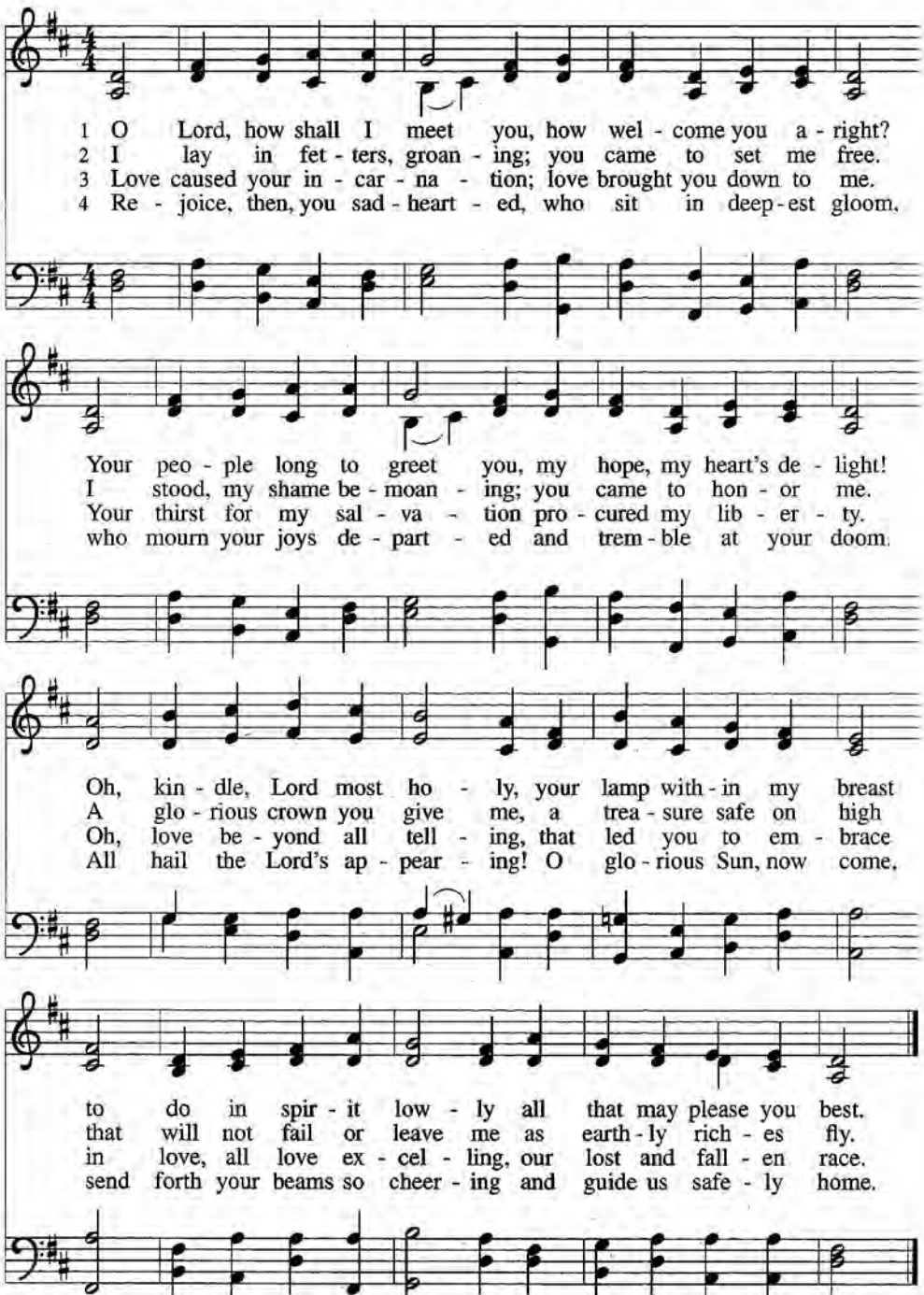

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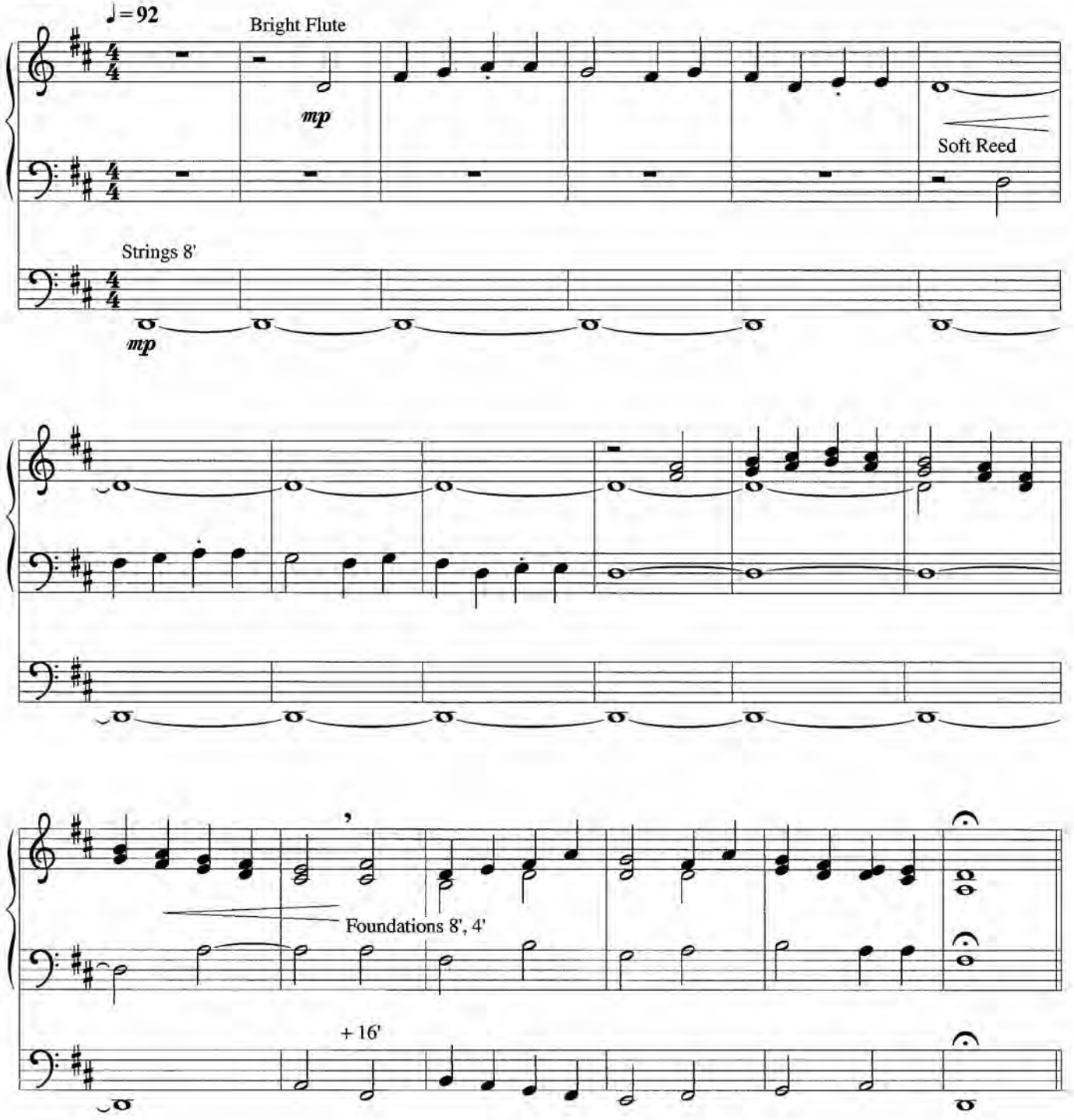

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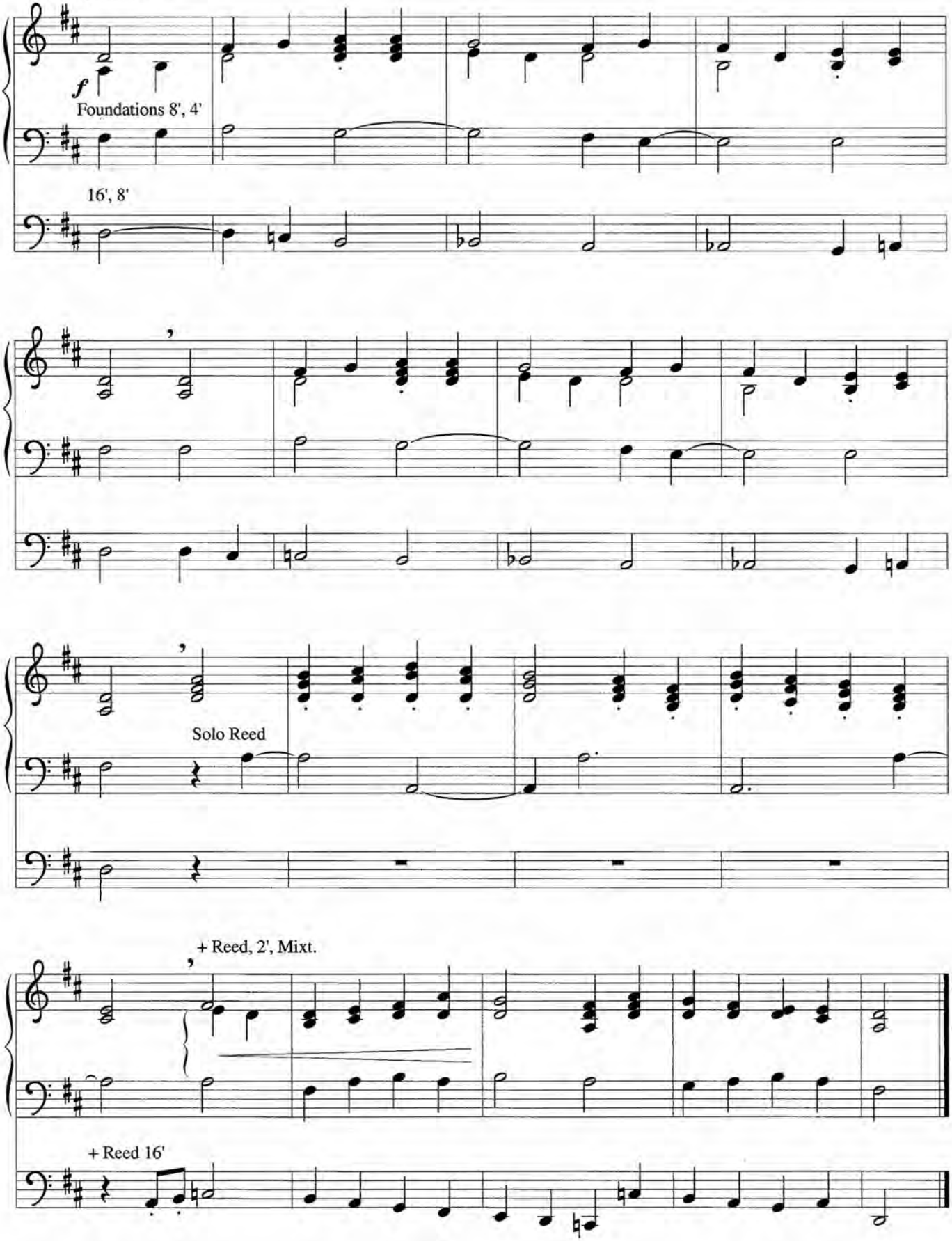

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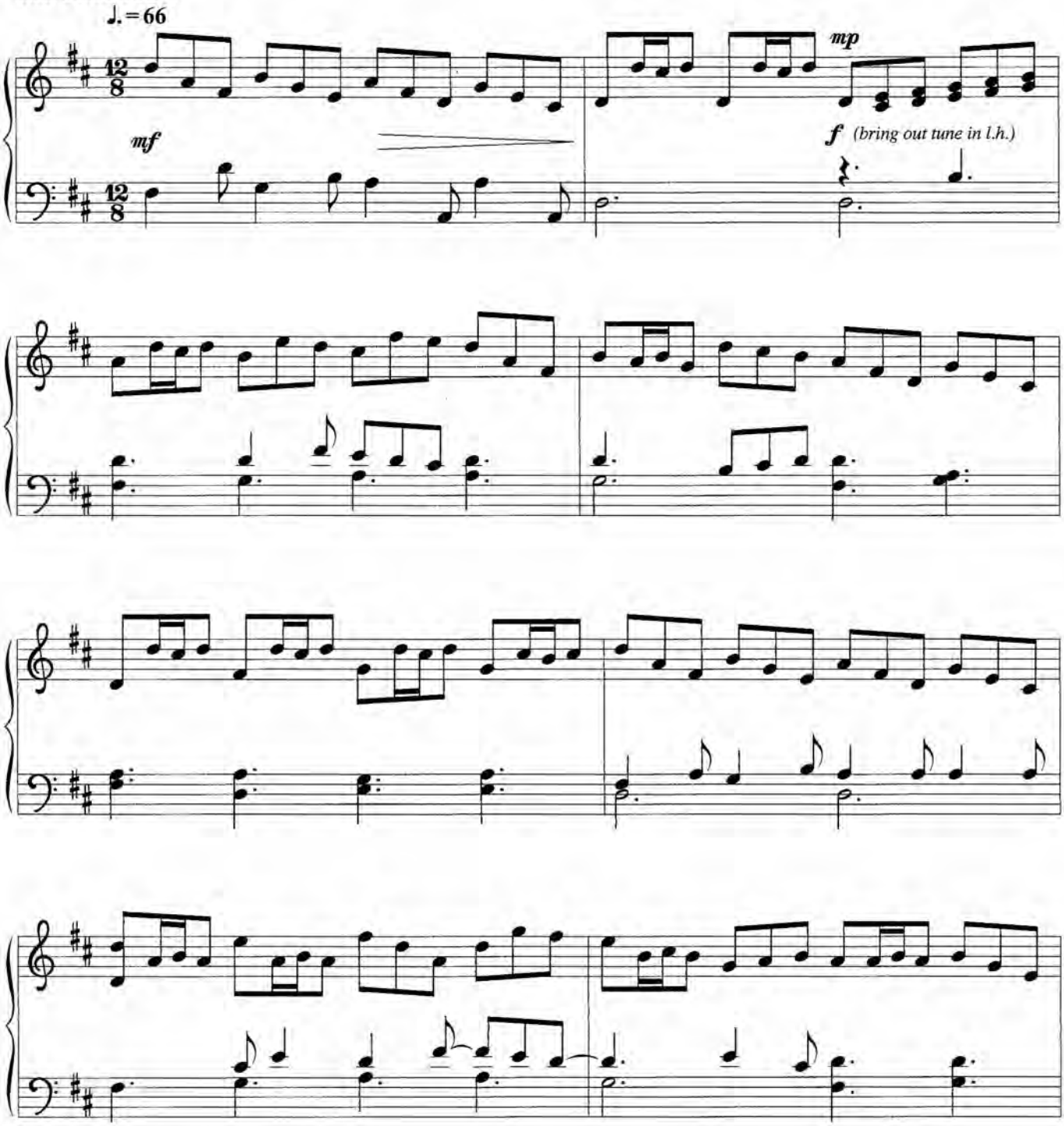

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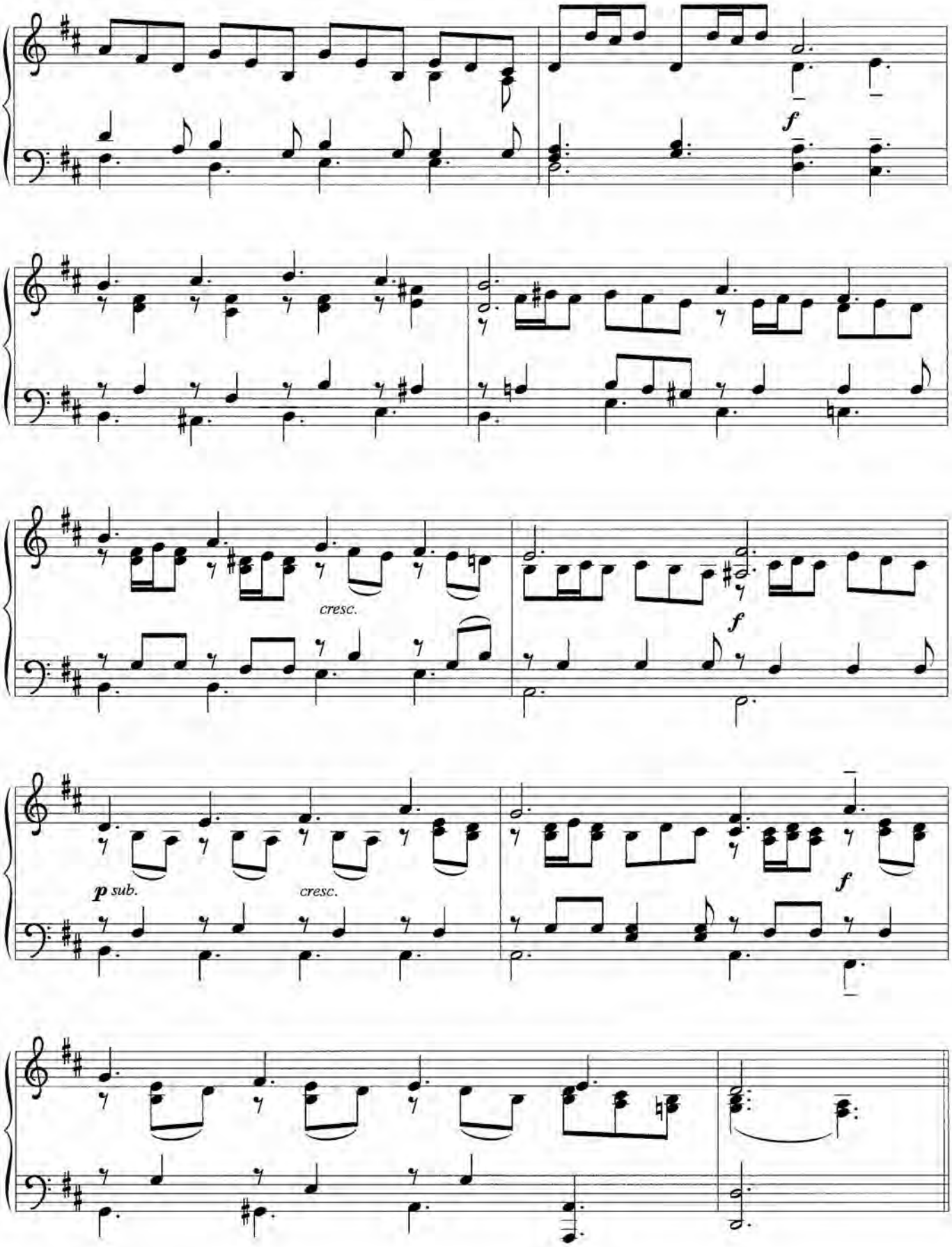
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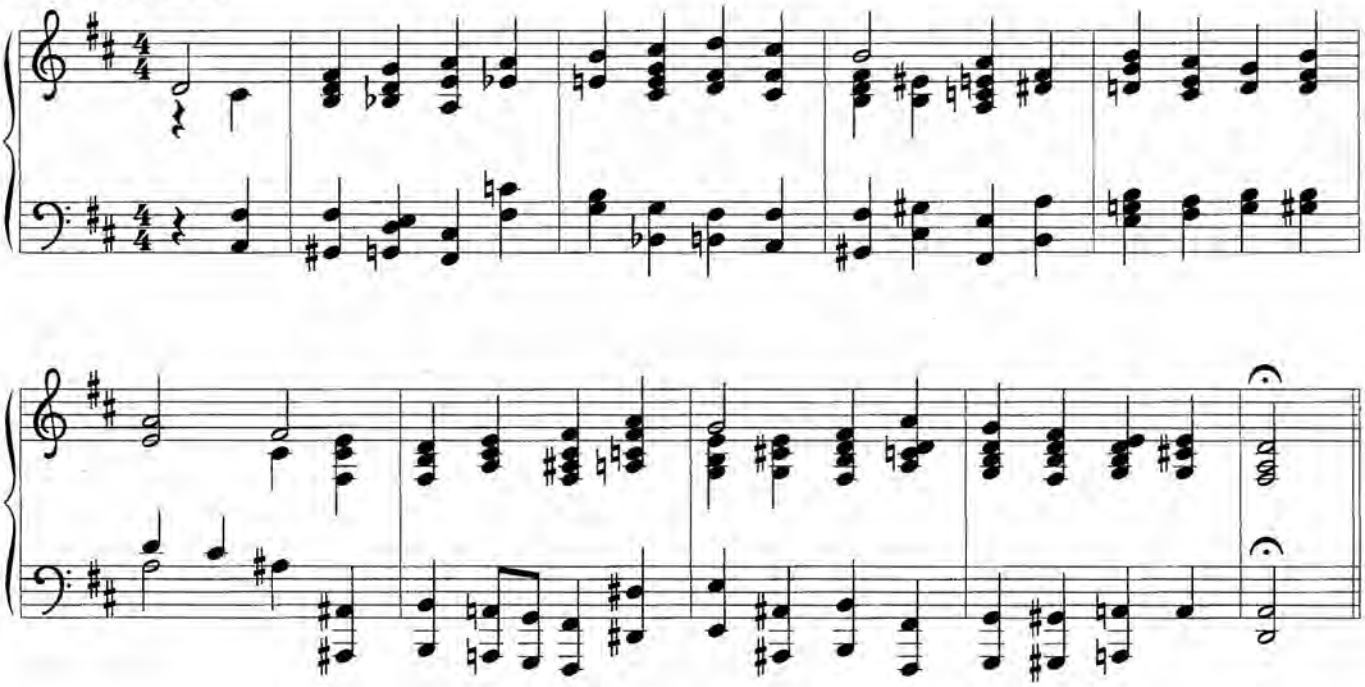

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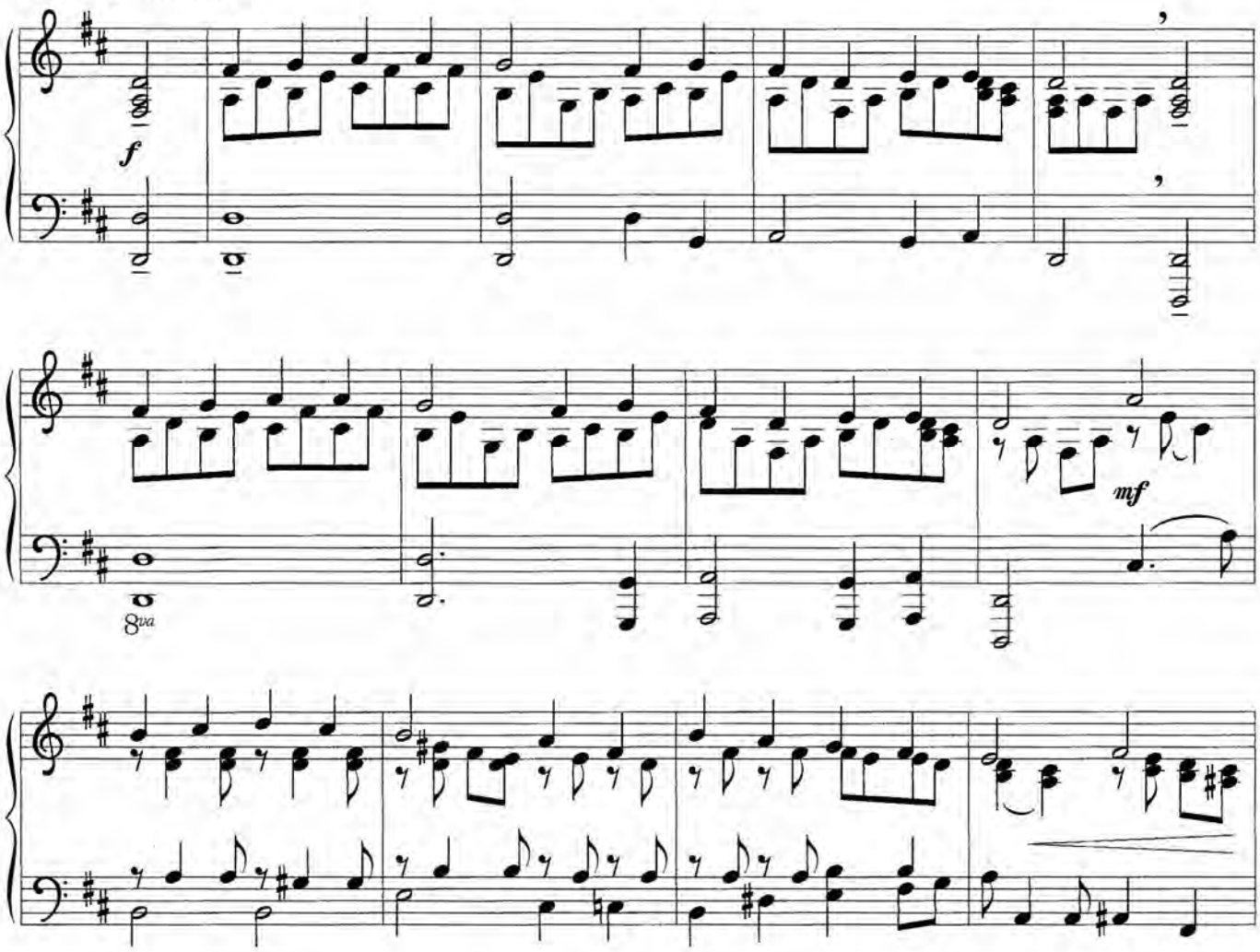

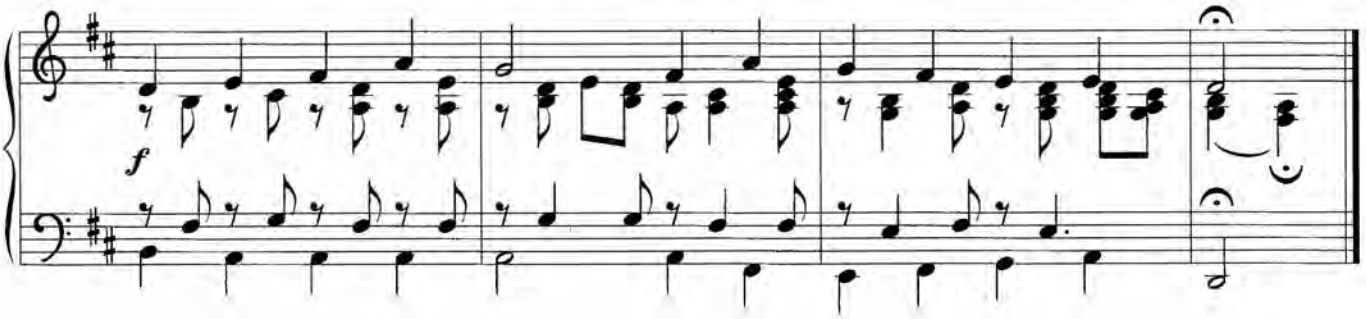
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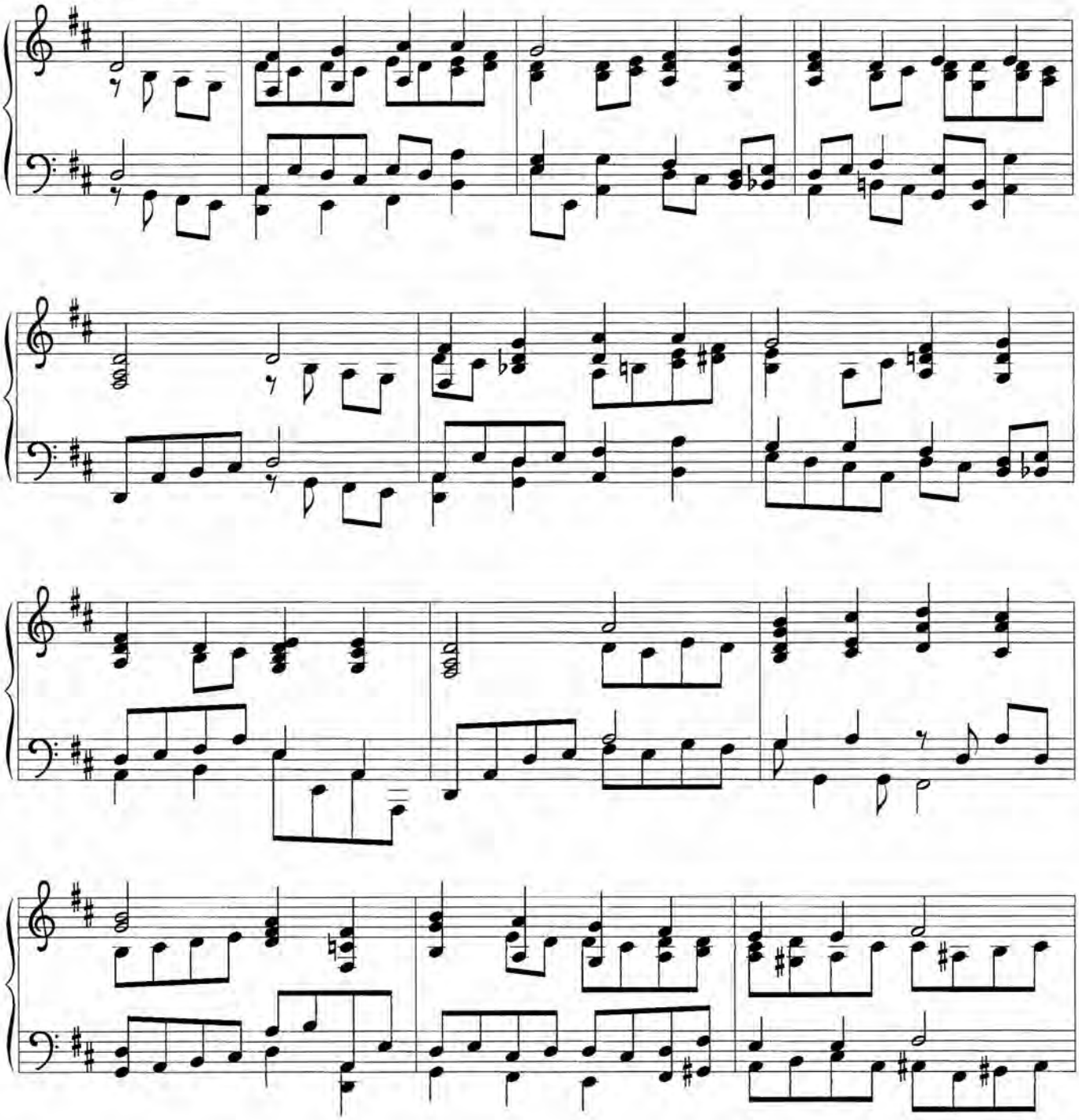

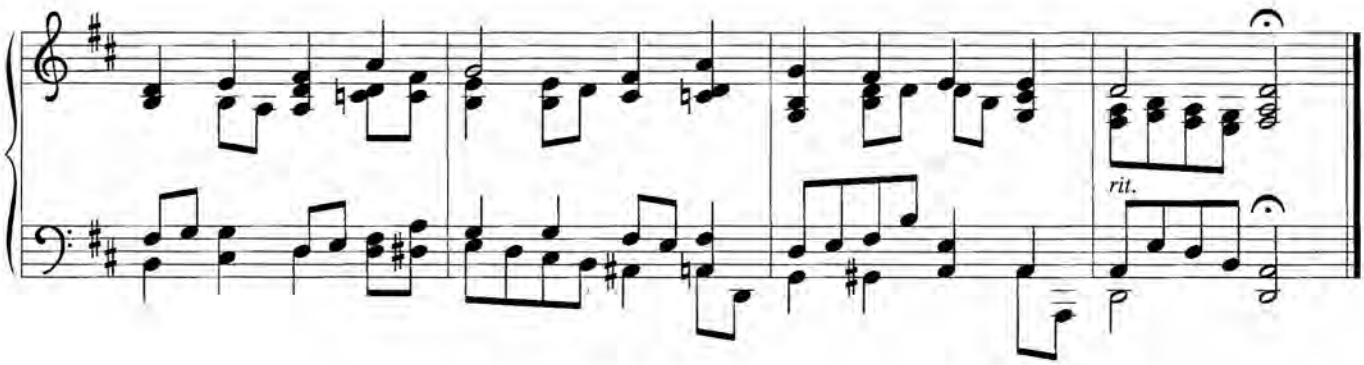
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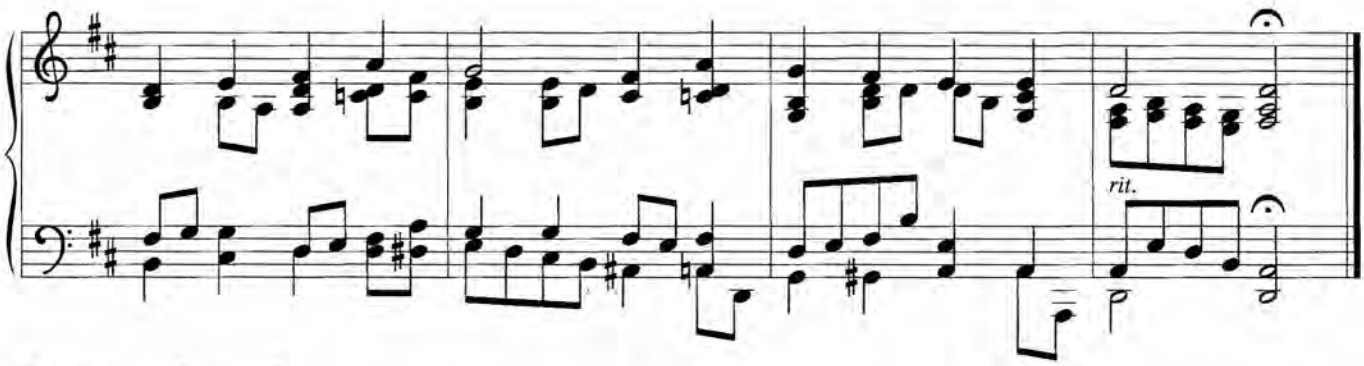

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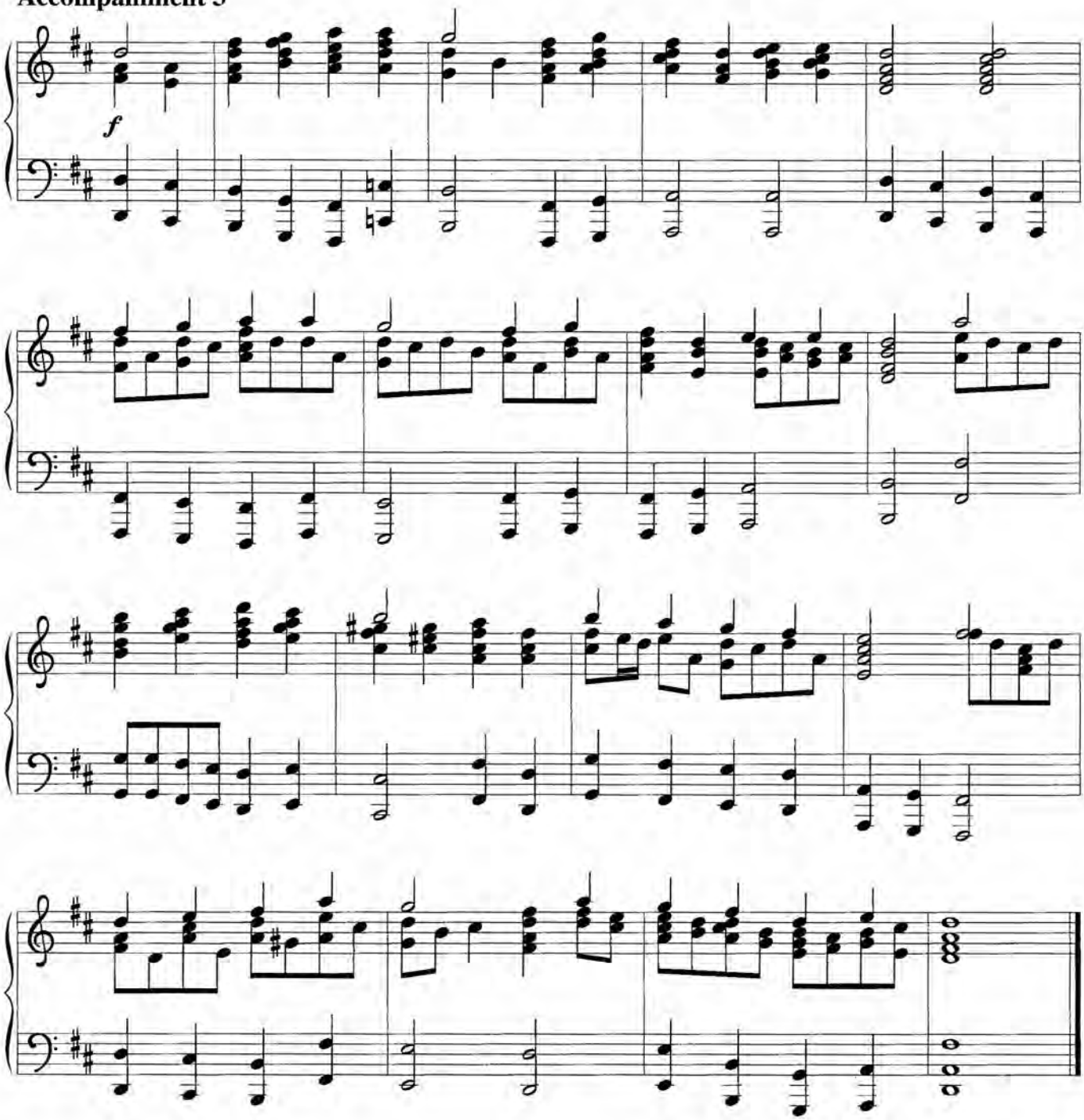

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen us, unite us, and keep us in his grace. **C: Amen.**

L: Let us all pray… **C: Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SENDING

L: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Almighty God, Father, (+) Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.**

Sending Song: Blessed Be the God of Israel ELW #250

1. Blessed be the God of Israel who comes to set us free
   And raises up new hope for us: a Branch from David's tree.
   So have the prophets long declared that with a mighty arm
   God would turn back our enemies and all who wish us harm.
2. With promised mercy will God still the covenant recall,
   The oath once sworn to Abraham, from foes to save us all;
   That we might worship without fear and offer lives of praise,
   In holiness and righteousness to serve God all our days.
3. My child, as prophet of the Lord you will prepare the way,
   To tell God's people they are saved from sin's eternal sway.
   Then shall God's mercy from on high shine forth and never cease
   To drive away the gloom of death and lead us into peace.

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FOREST GREEN

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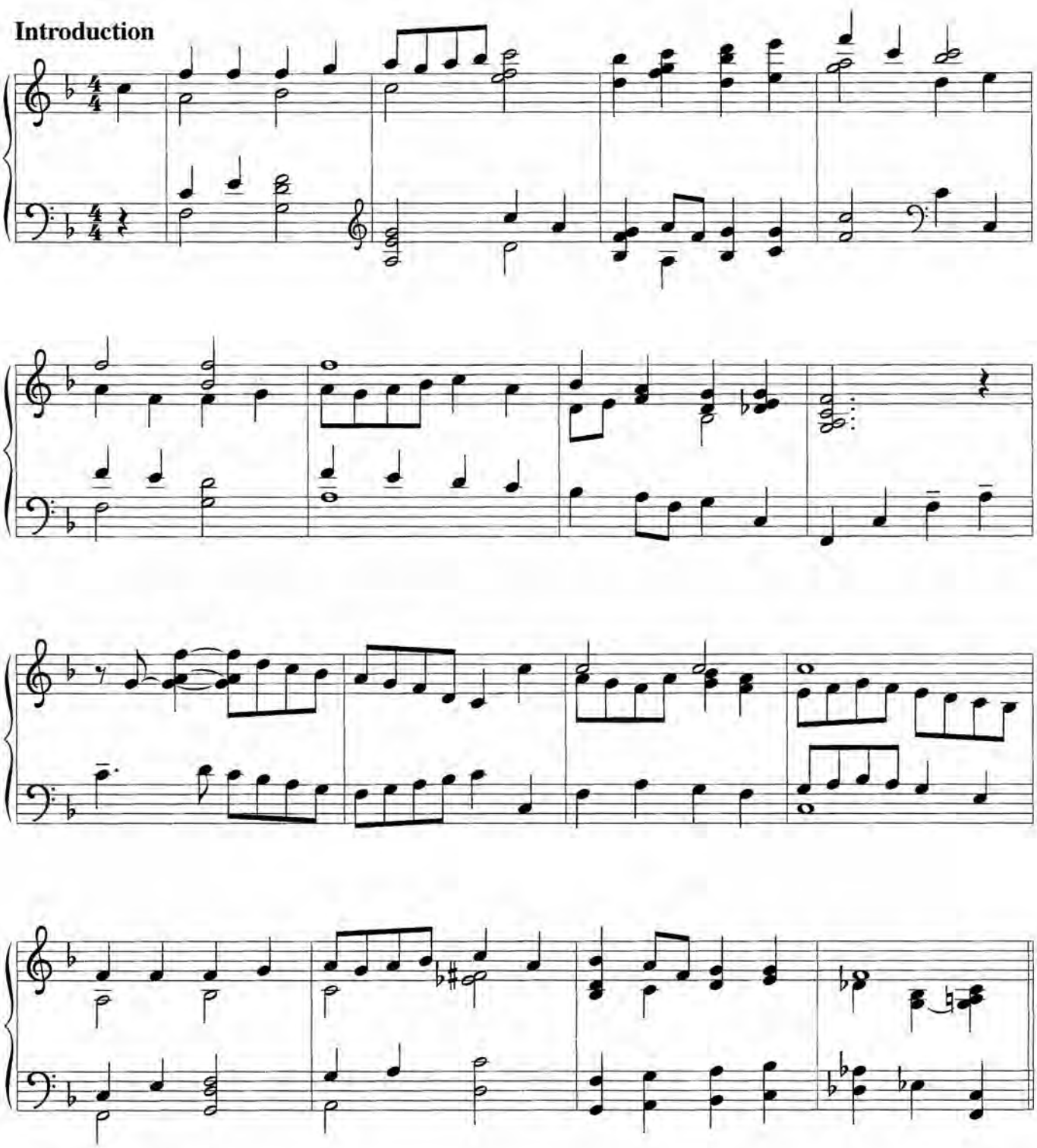

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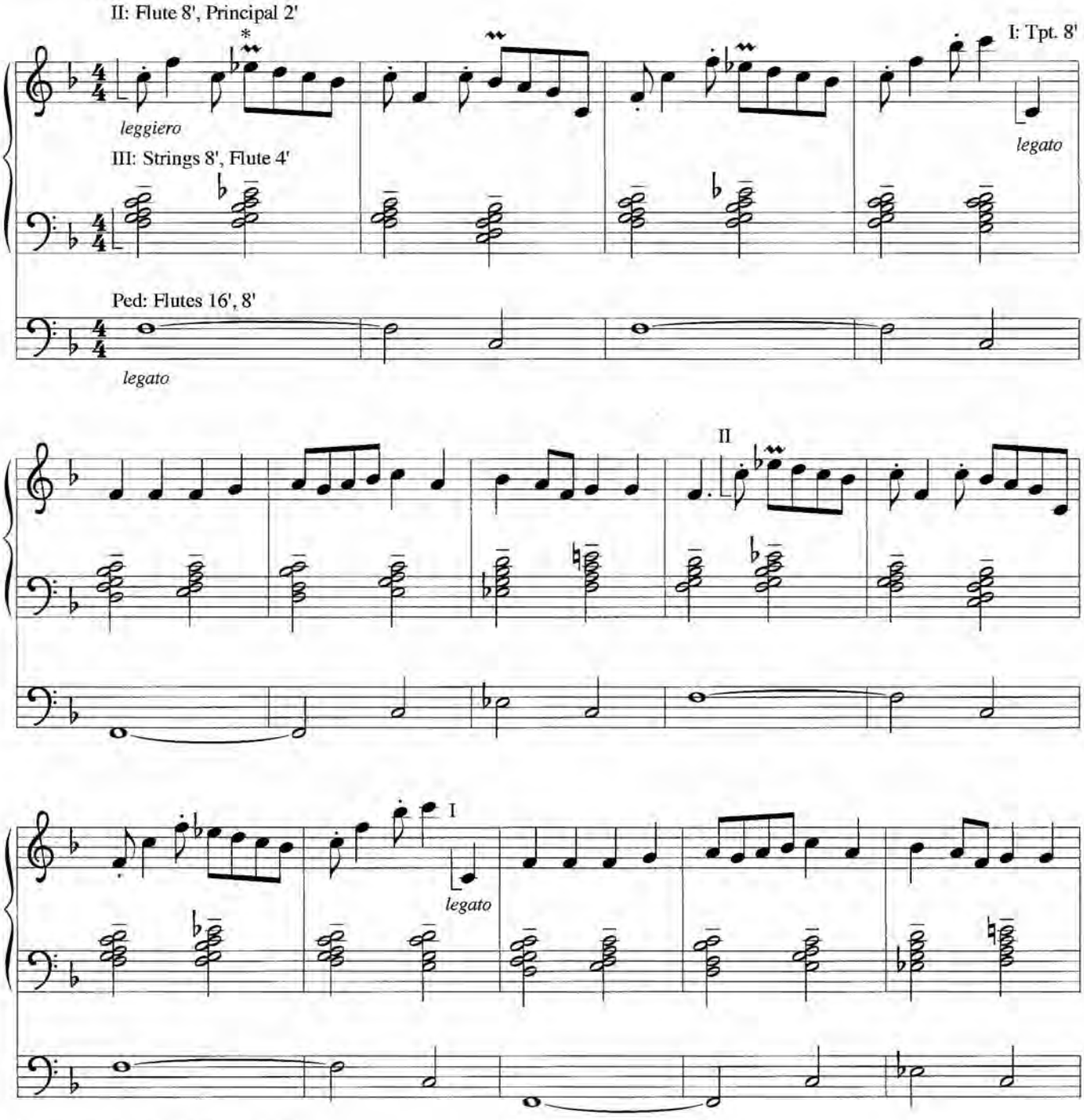

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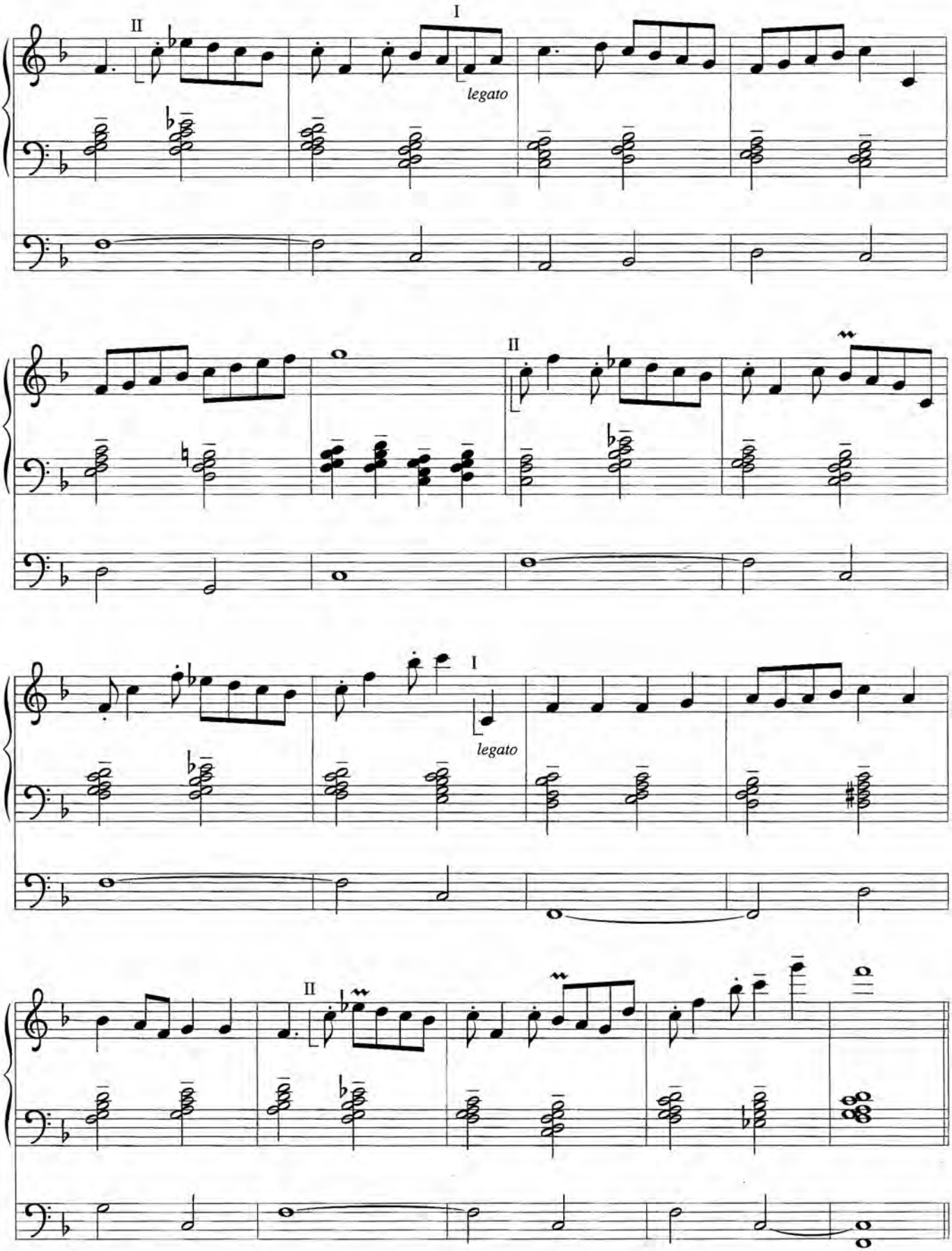
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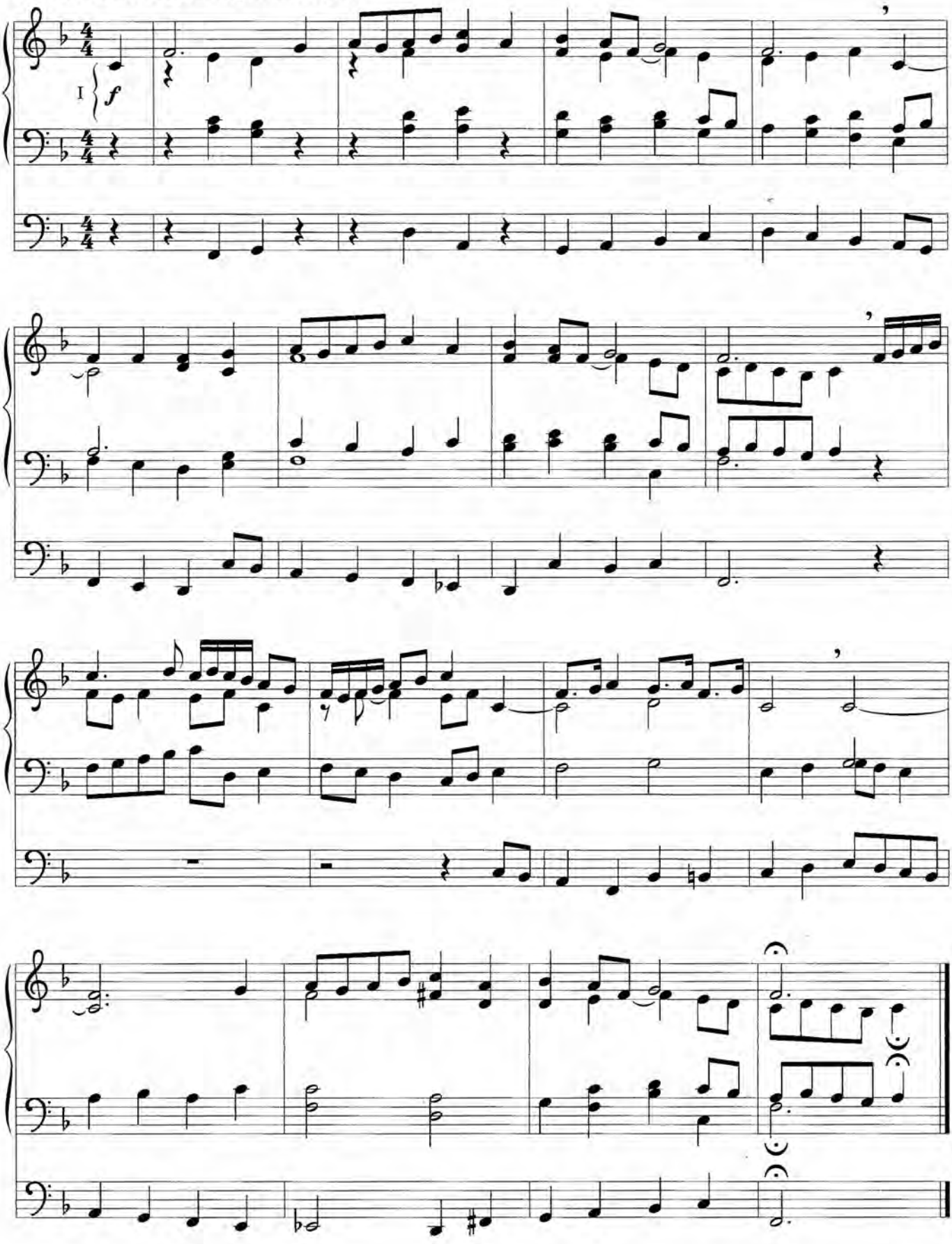

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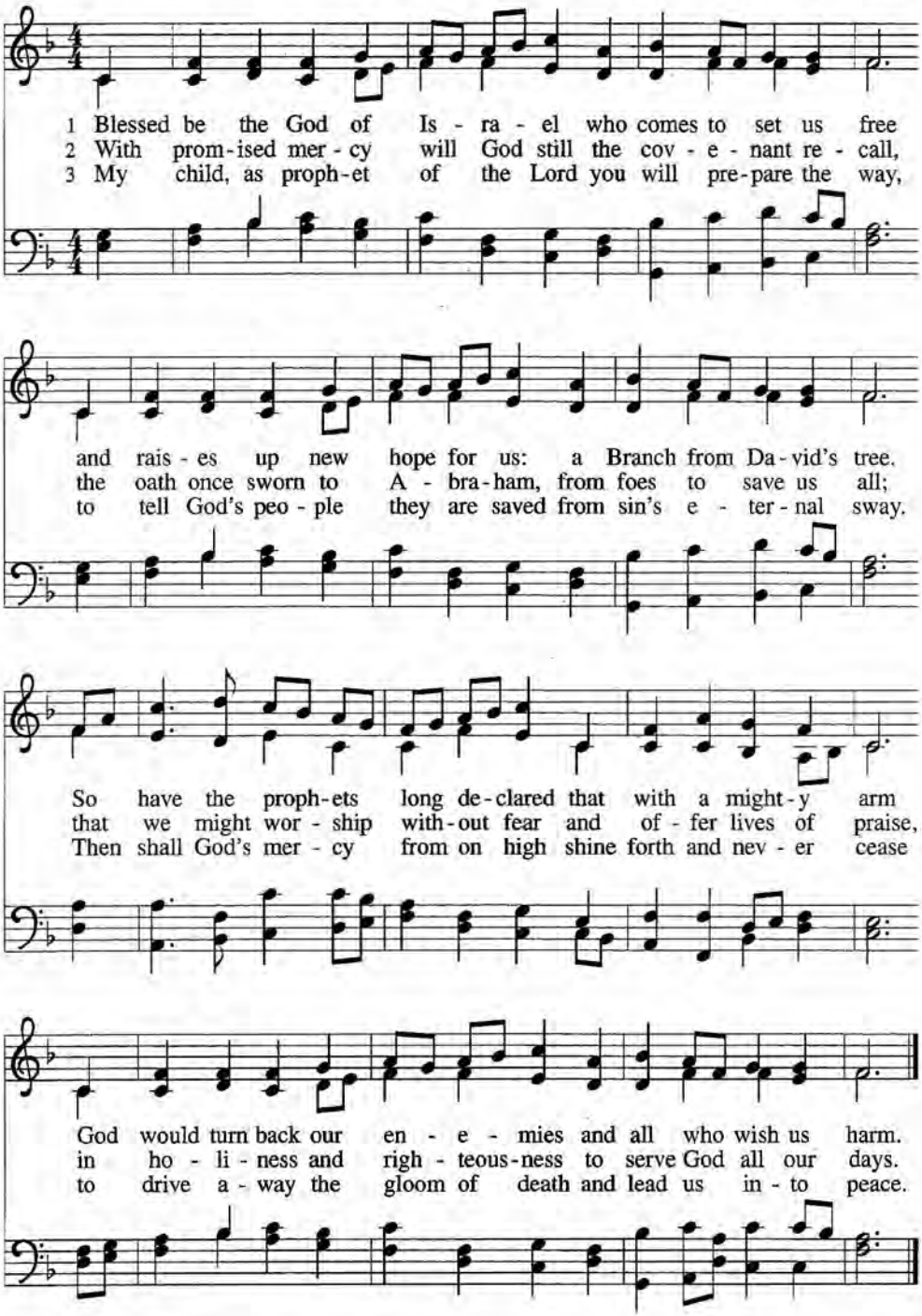

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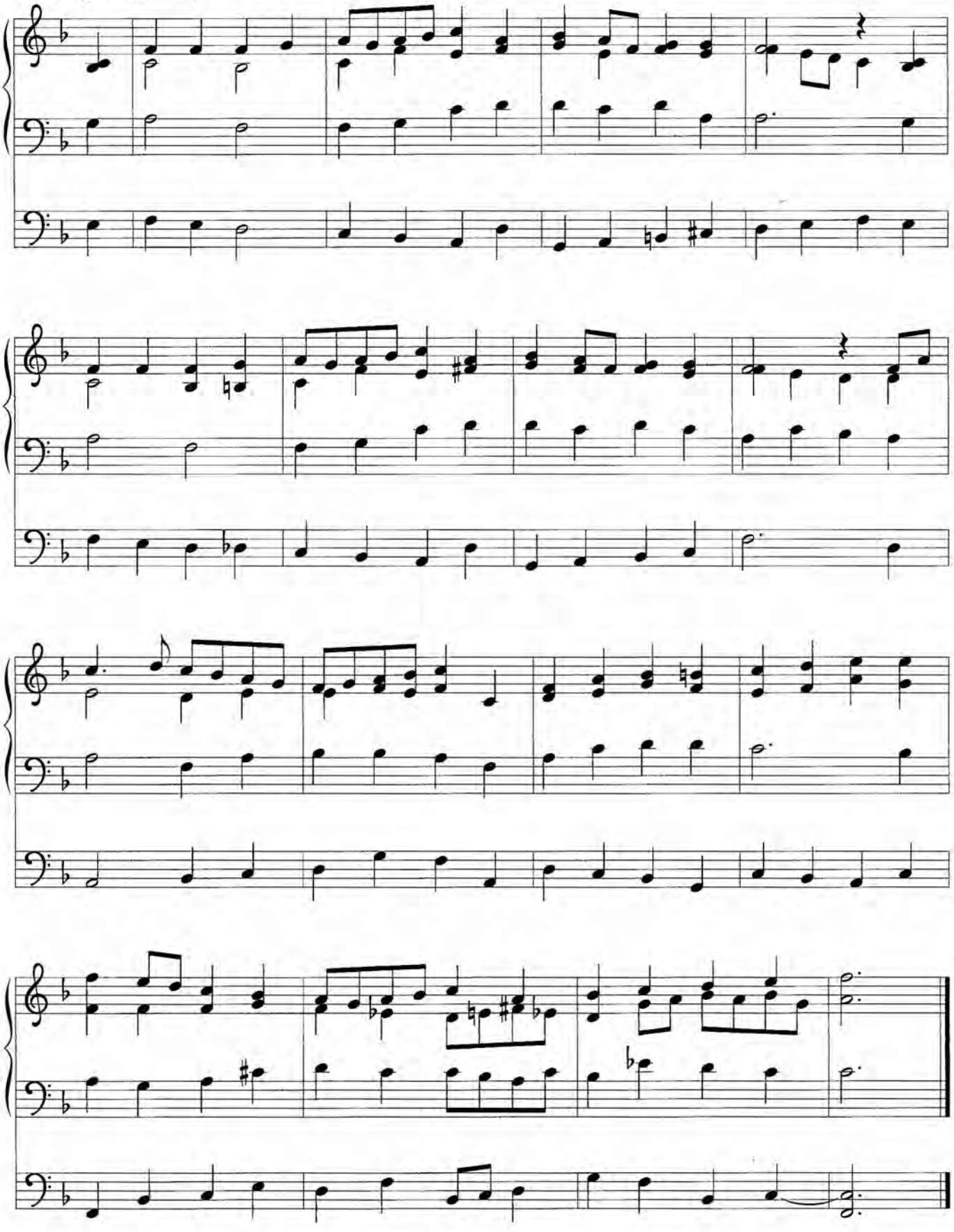

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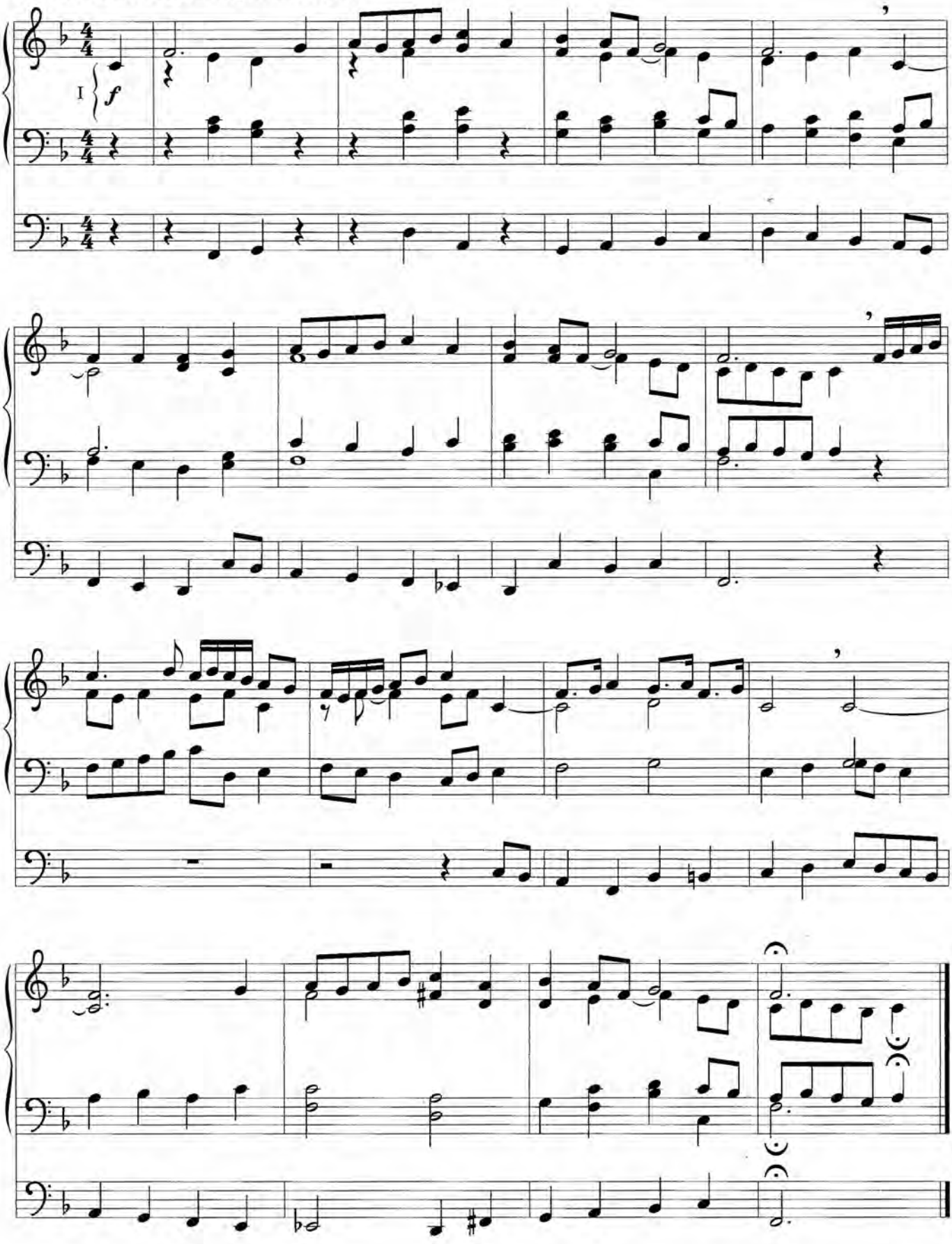

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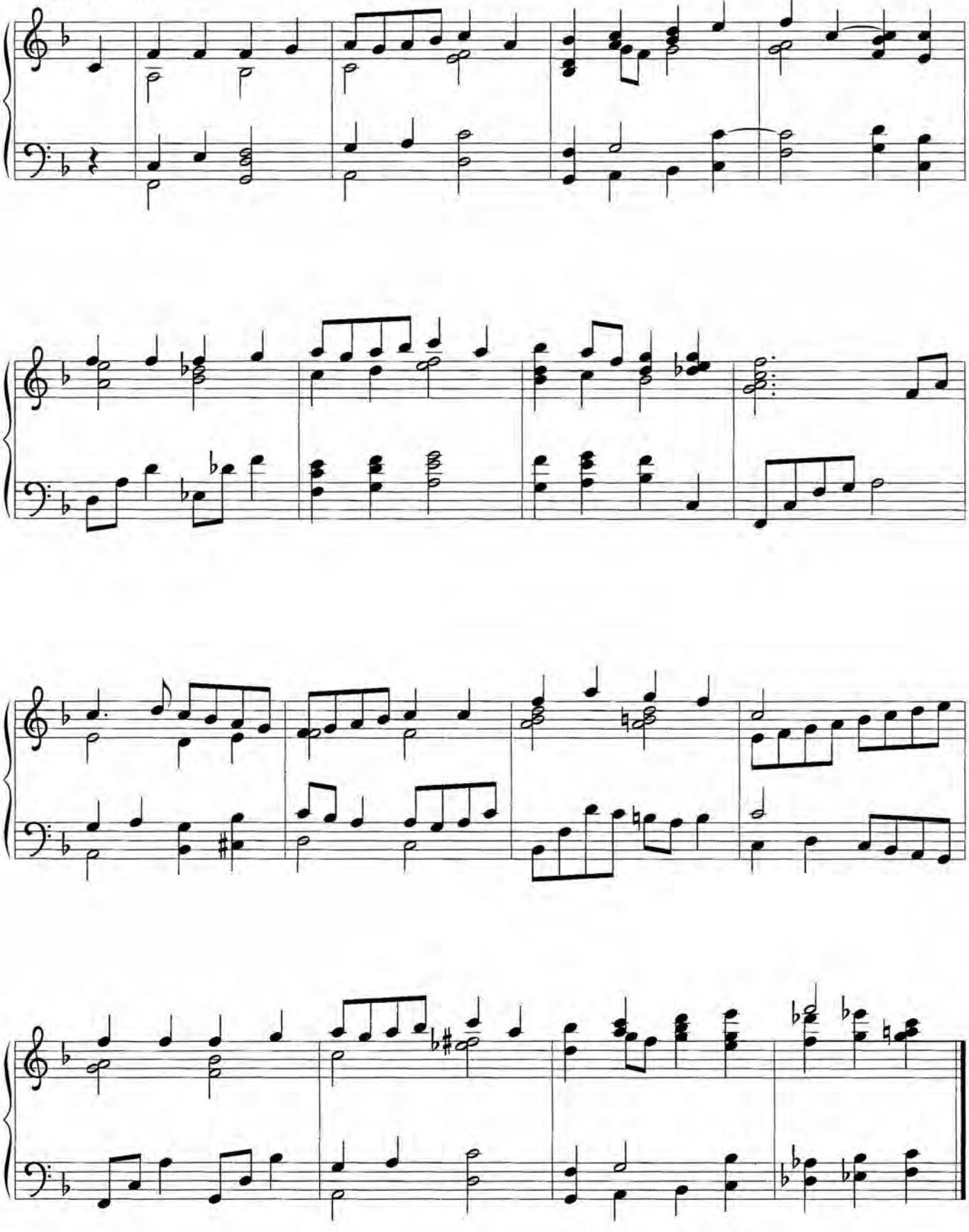

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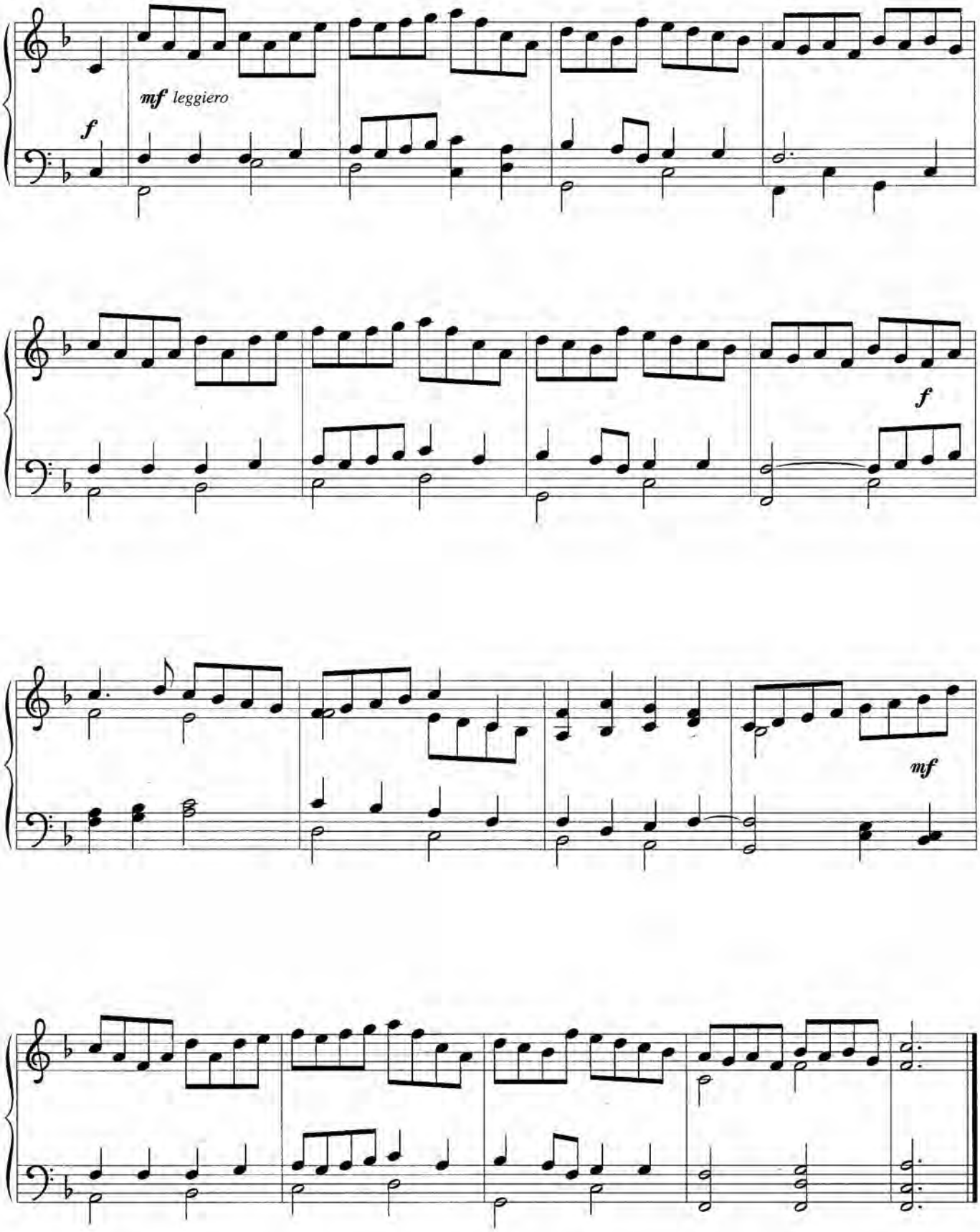

L: Go in peace. Remember the poor. **C: Thanks be to God!**

Postlude: *A Trumpet Song* Steven Scott

A TRUMPET SONG

2½ minutes

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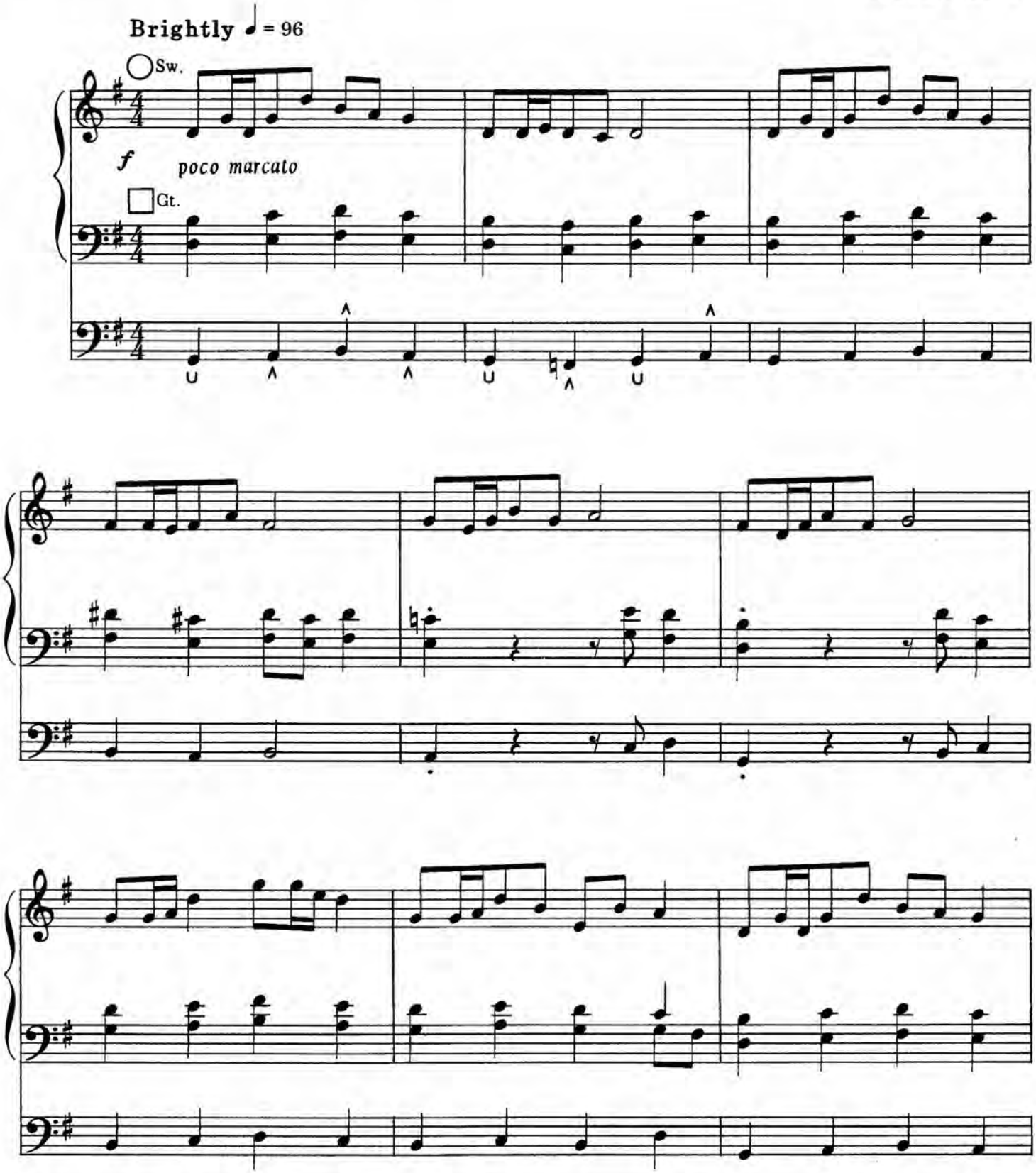

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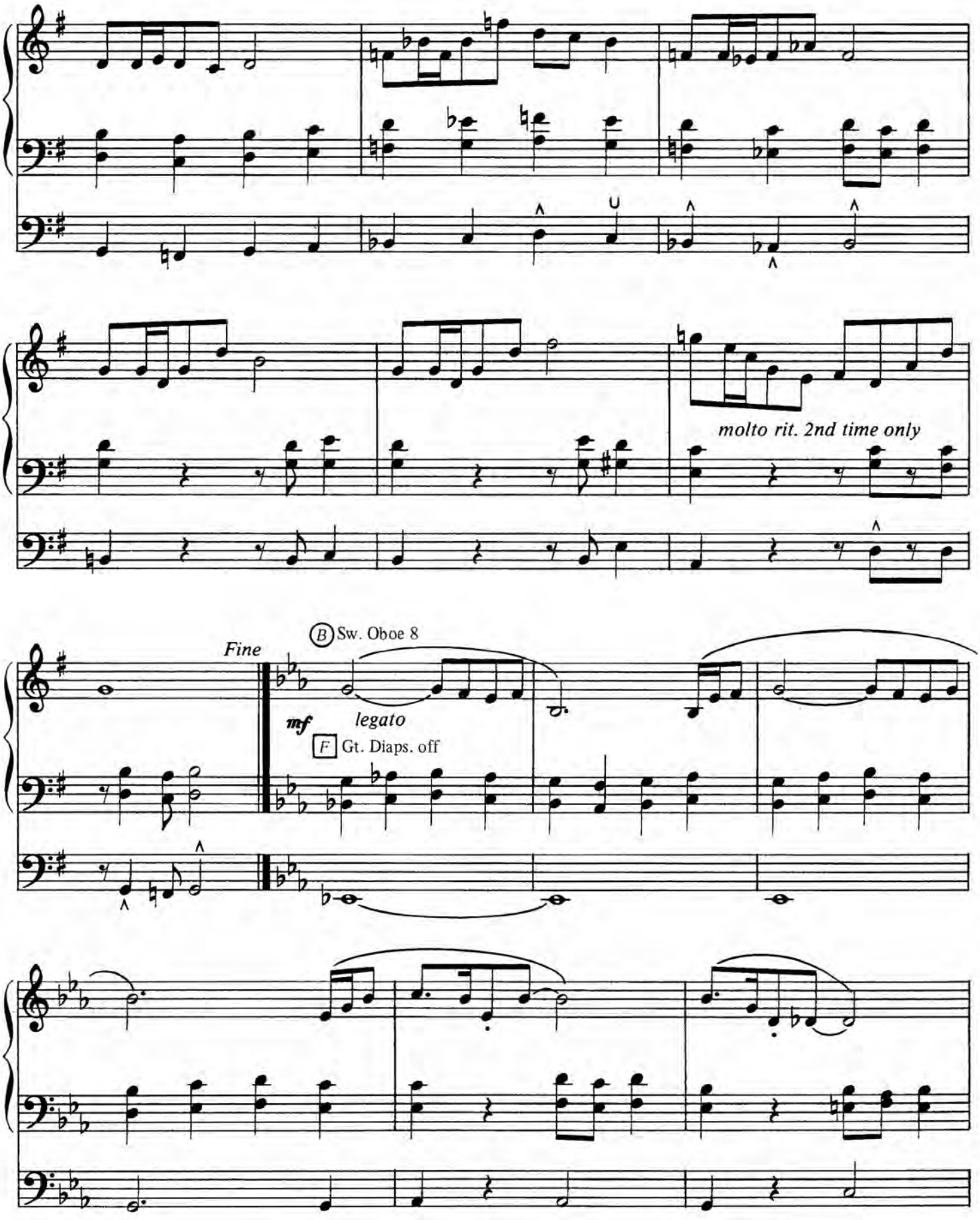
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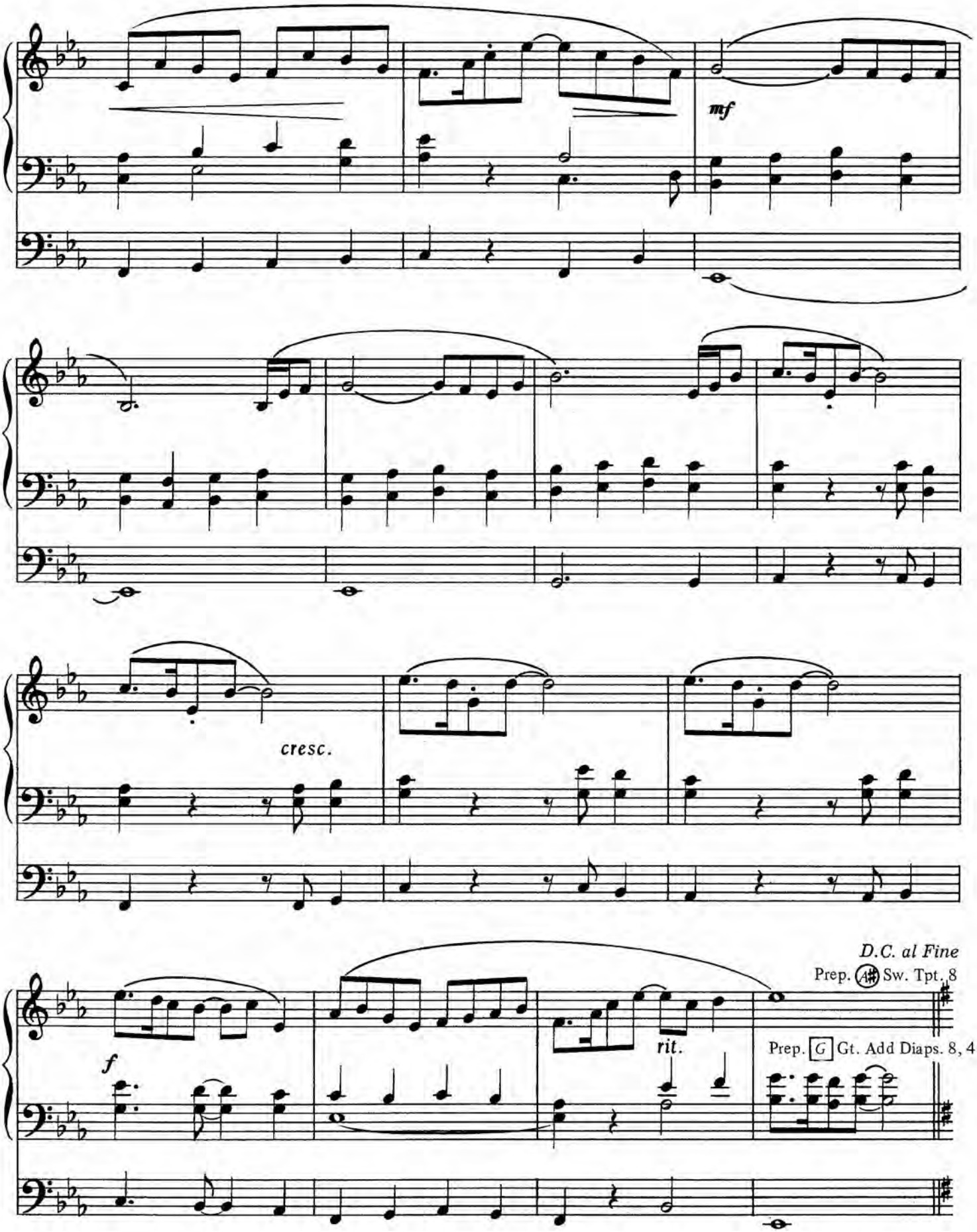
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