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October 29, 2023
10:00 AM Sunday Service
Fellowship Hall & Online

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Choral Call To Worship

This Is the Day

By Les Garrett

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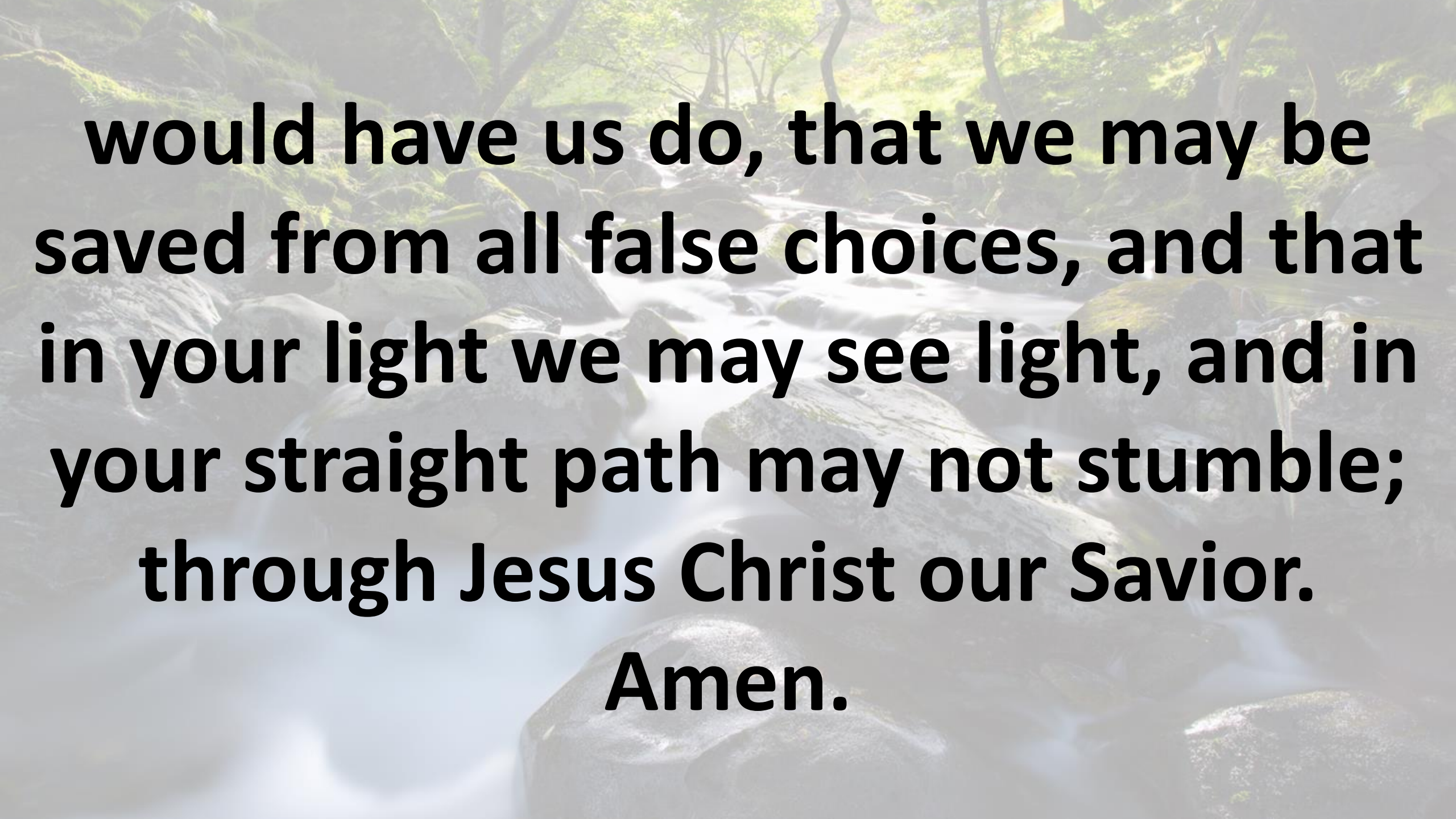
*Call to Worship

Congregation: O Wisdom on High, by you the meek are guided in judgment, and light rises up in darkness for the godly. Grant us, in all doubts and uncertainties, the grace to ask what you



would have us do, that we may be saved from all false choices, and that in your light we may see light, and in your straight path may not stumble; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*Hymn of Praise

HE LEADETH ME: O BLESSED THOUGHT

UMH, #128

Words by Joseph H. Gilmore

Music by William B. Bradbury

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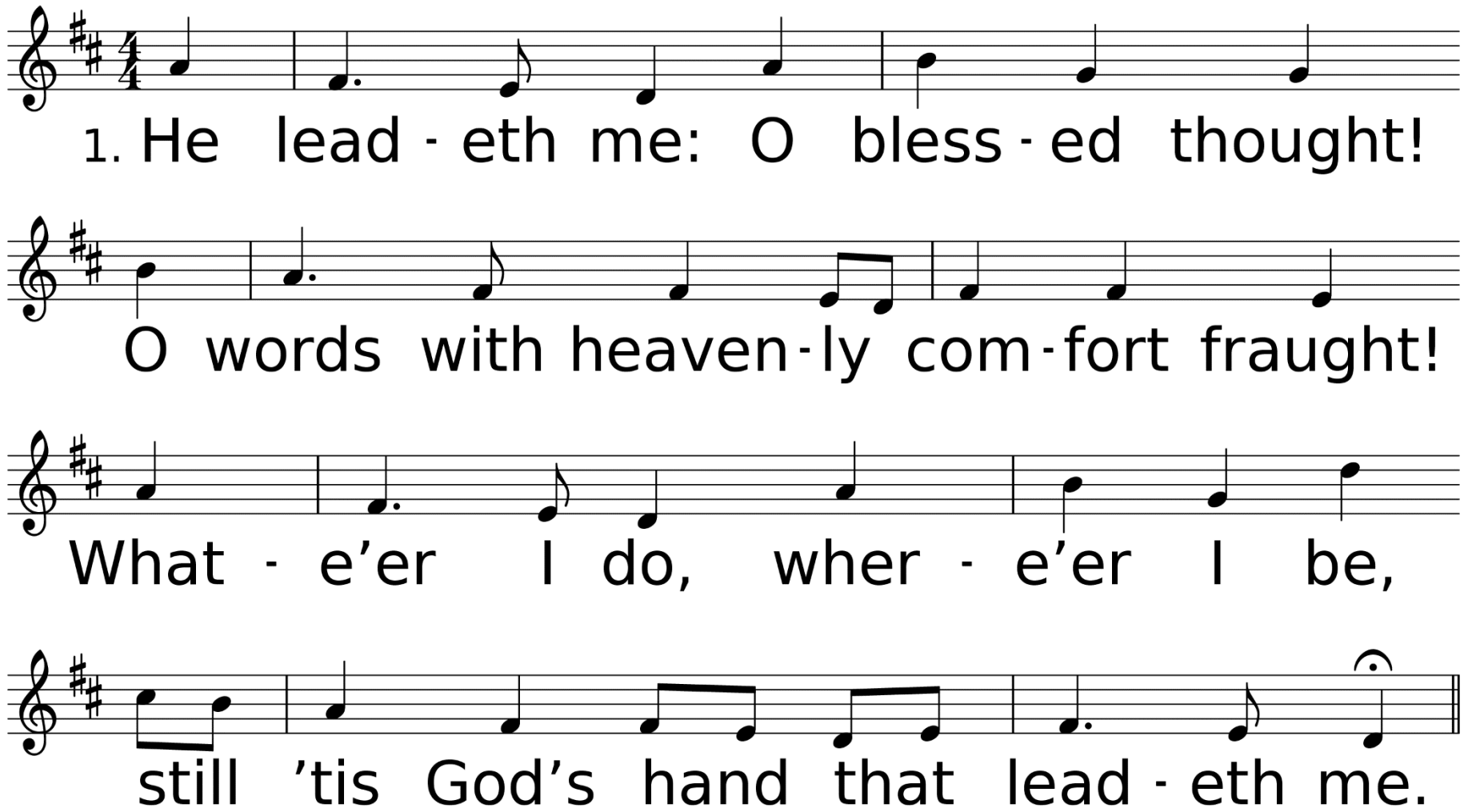

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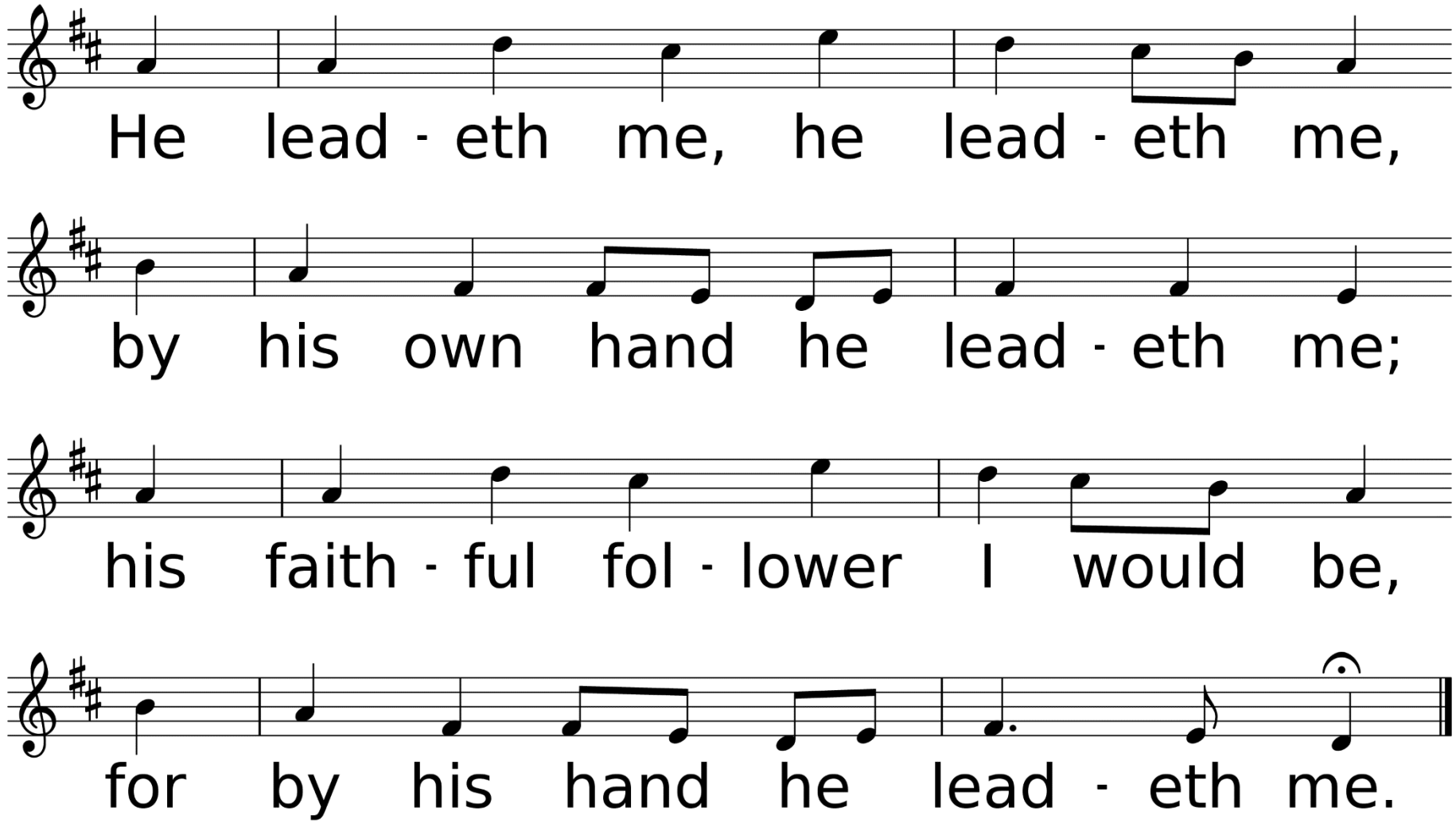
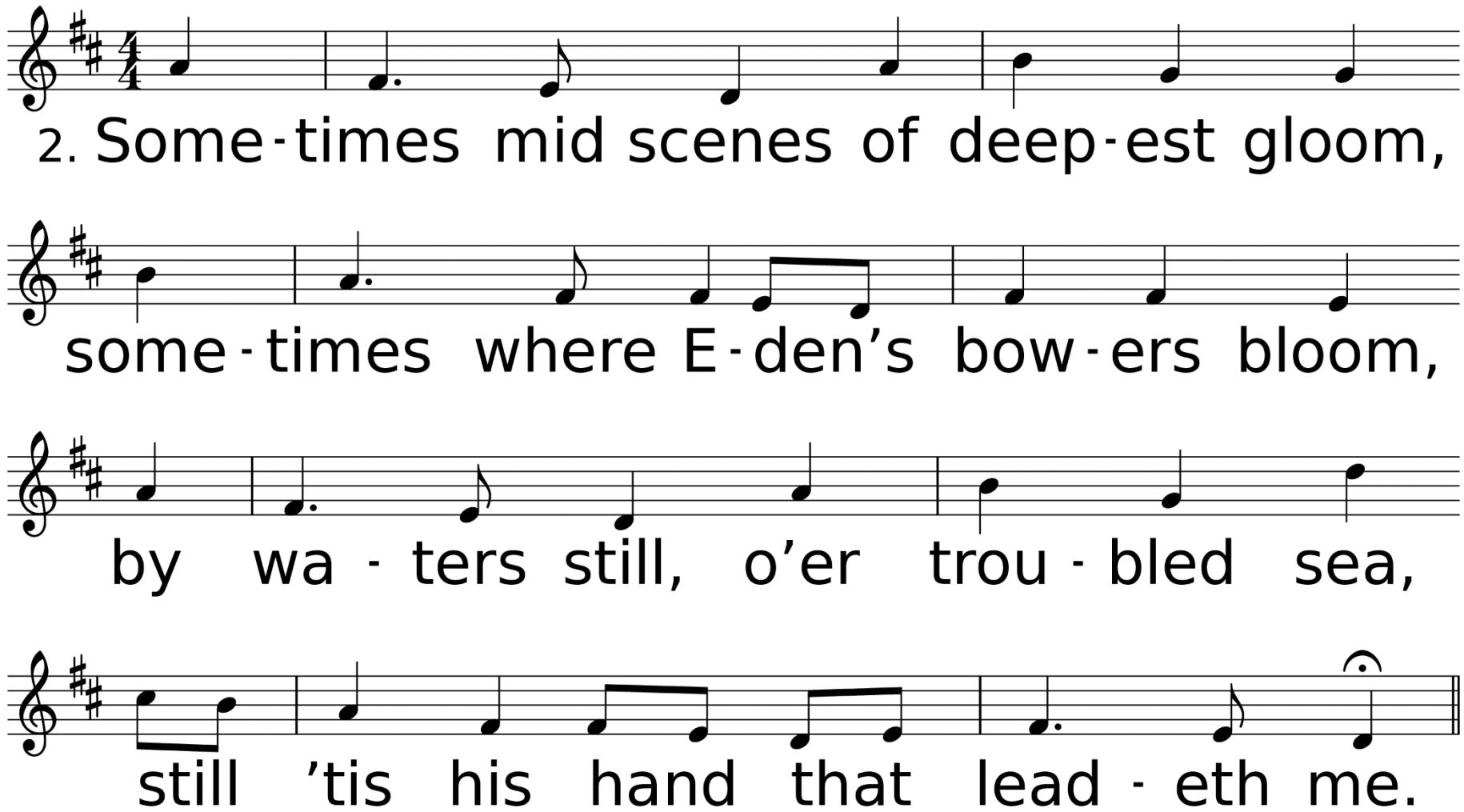
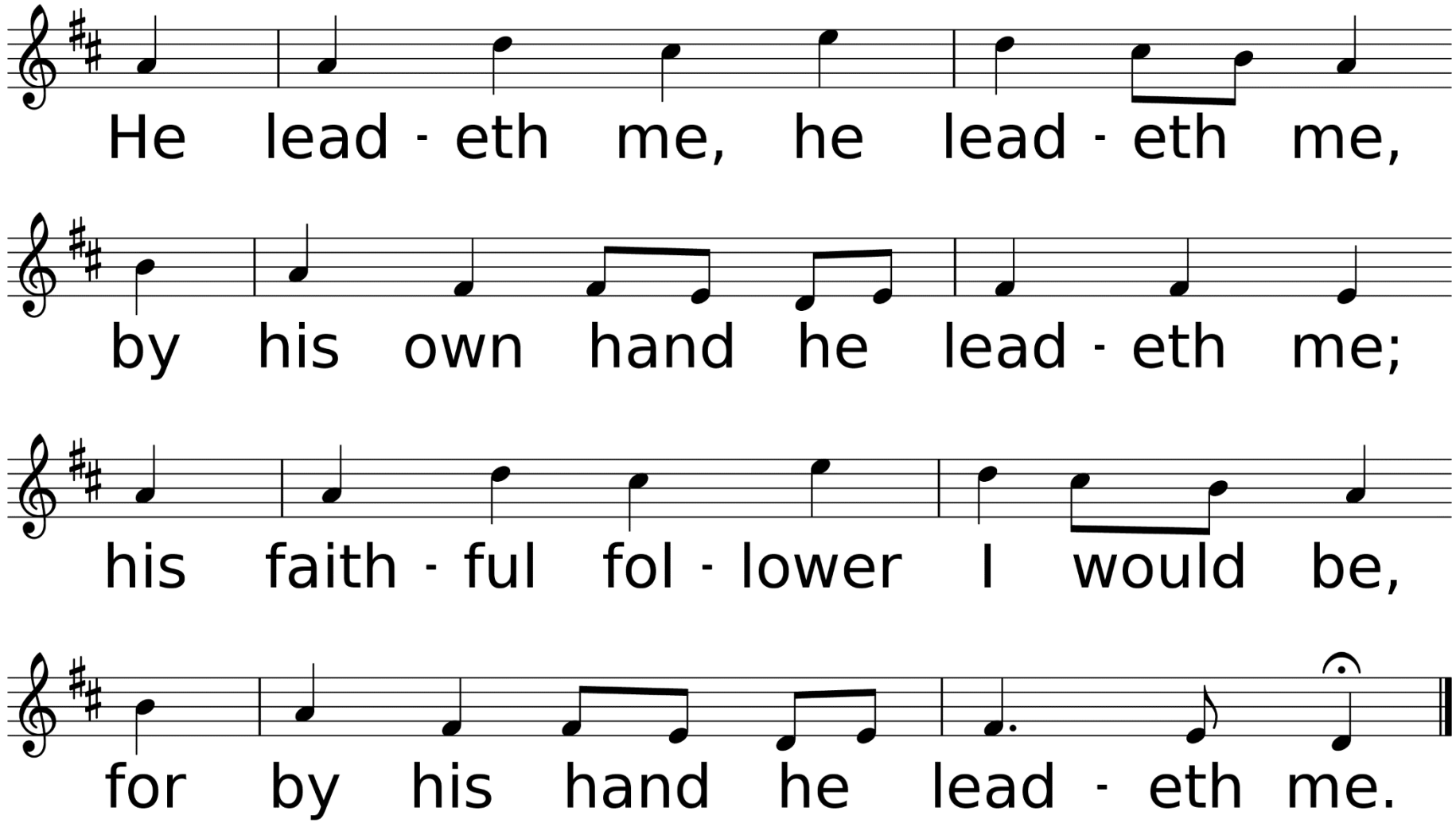
MUSIC (HE LEADETH ME, LM with Refrain): William B. Bradbury, 1864


He lead - eth me, he lead - eth me,
by his own hand he lead - eth me;
his faith - ful fol - lower I would be,
for by his hand he lead - eth me.


2. Some-times mid scenes of deep-est gloom,
some-times where E-den's bow-ers bloom,
by wa-ters still, o'er trou-bled sea,
still 'tis his hand that lead-eth me.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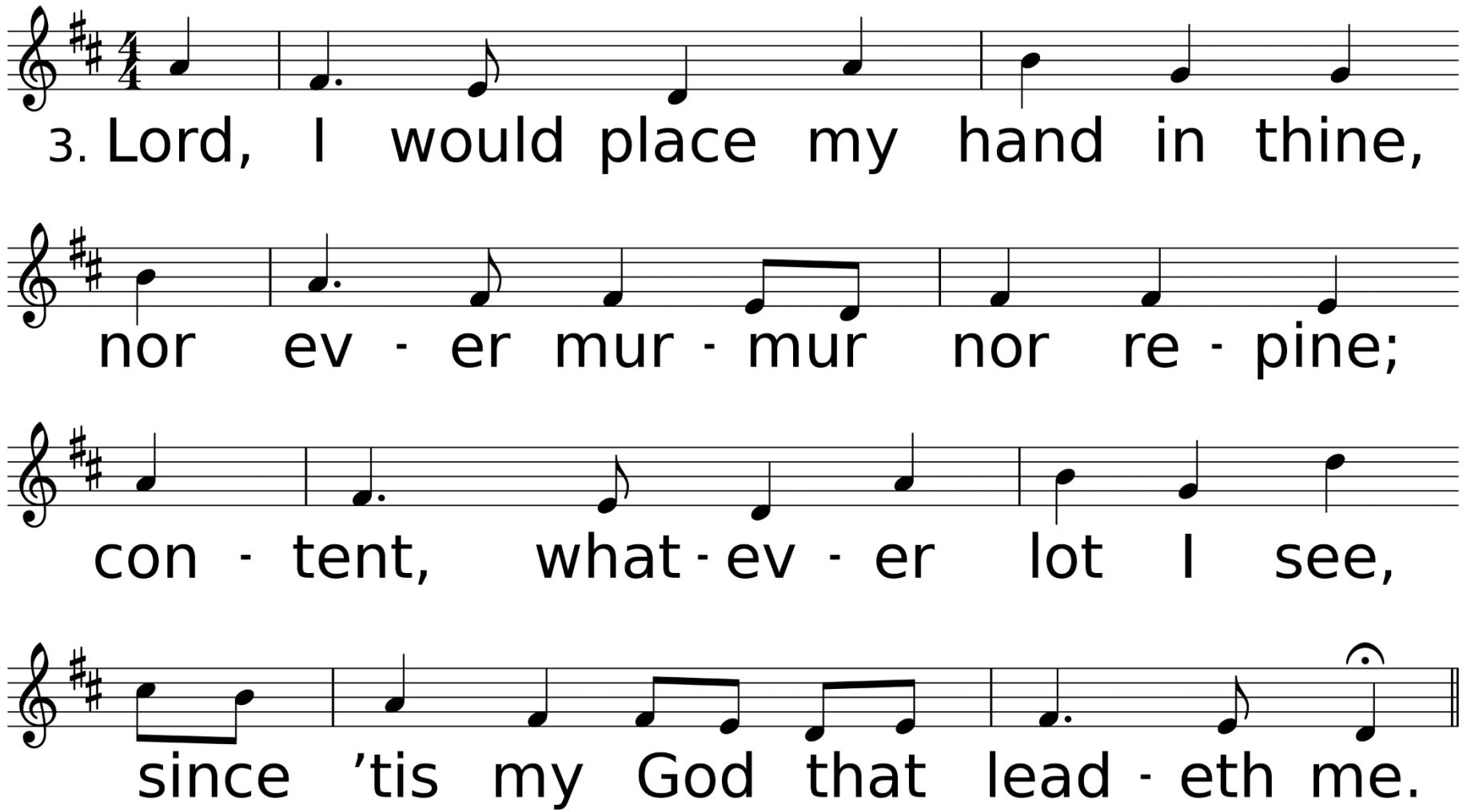
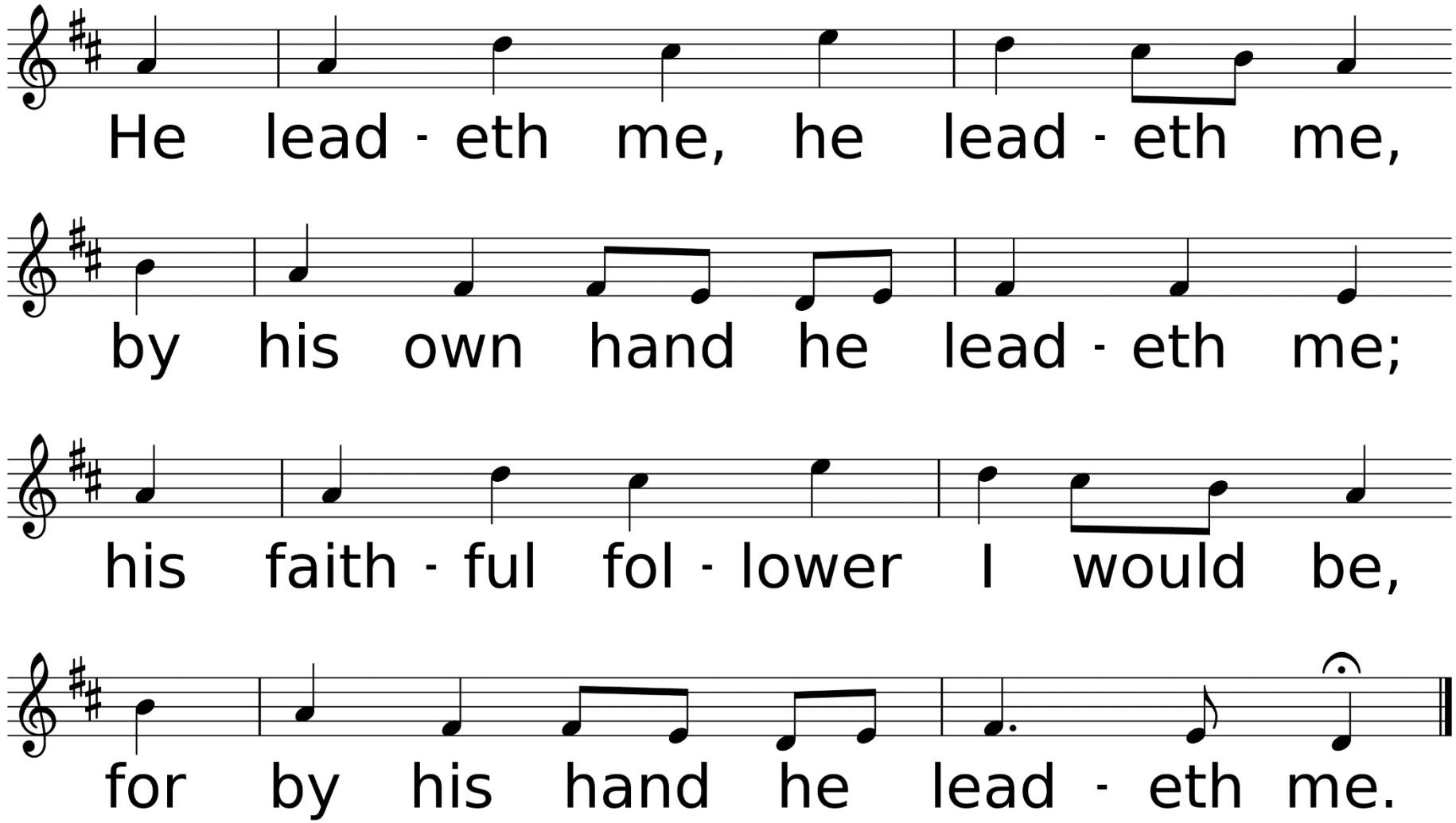

3. Lord, I would place my hand in thine,
nor ev - er mur - mur nor re - pine;
con - tent, what - ev - er lot I see,
since ’tis my God that lead - eth me.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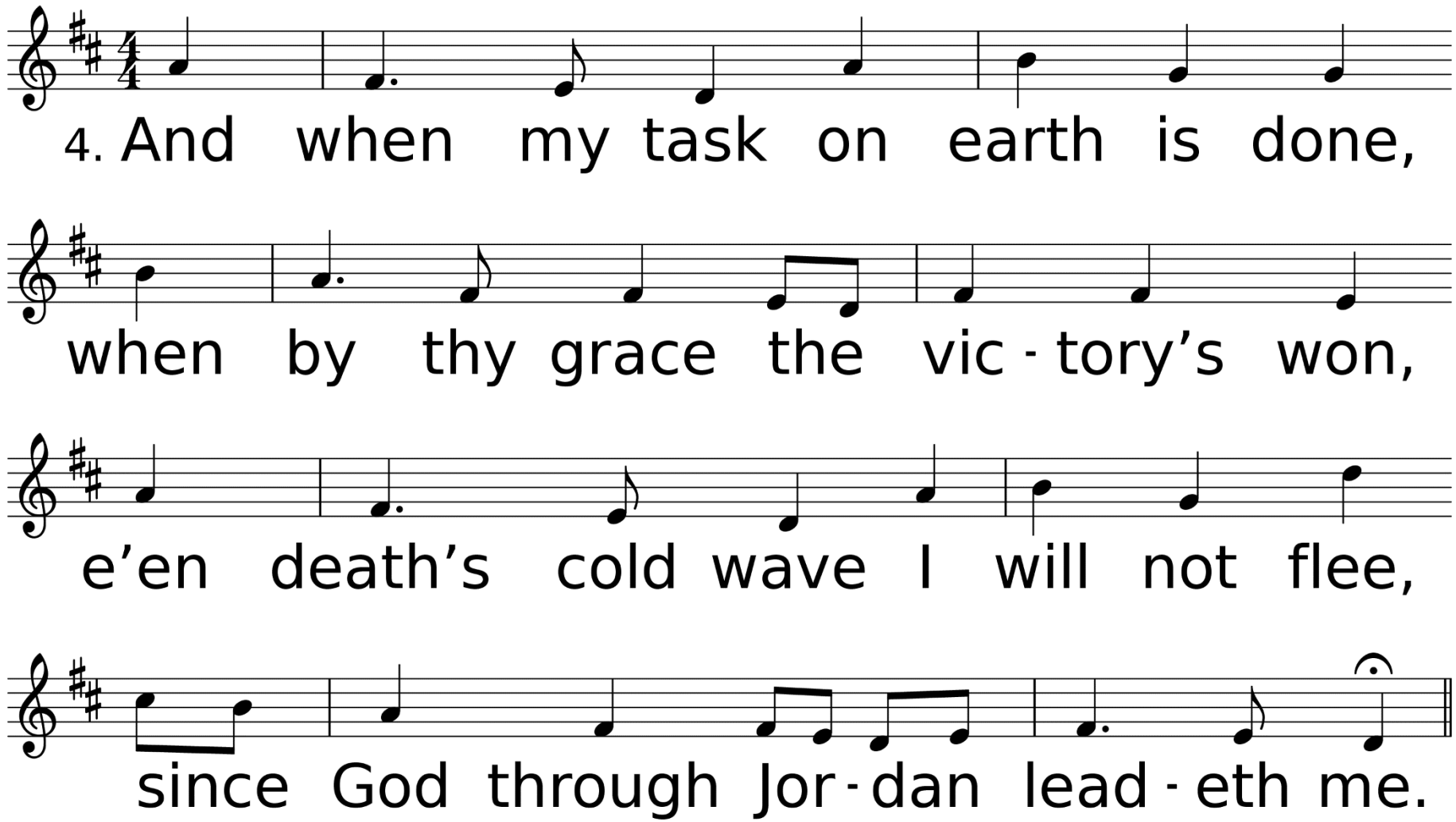
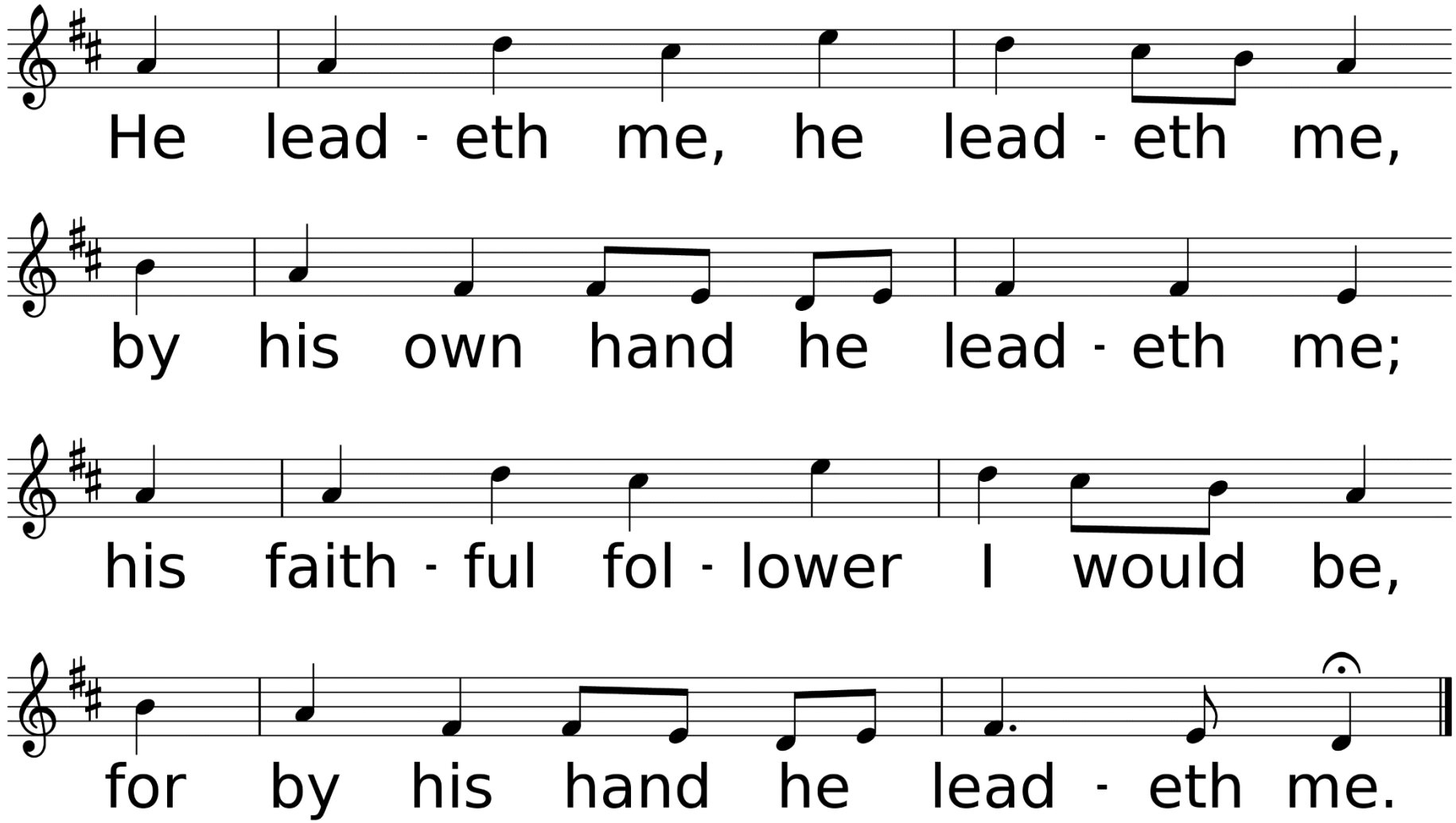

4. And when my task on earth is done,
when by thy grace the vic - tory's won,
e'en death's cold wave I will not flee,
since God through Jor - dan lead - eth me.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*Affirmation of Faith

Congregation: We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who

works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God’s presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim

Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Call To Prayer Hymn

TRUST AND OBEY

467, UMH, V. 1 & 2

WORDS BY JOHN H. SAMMIS

MUSIC BY DANIEL B. TOWNER

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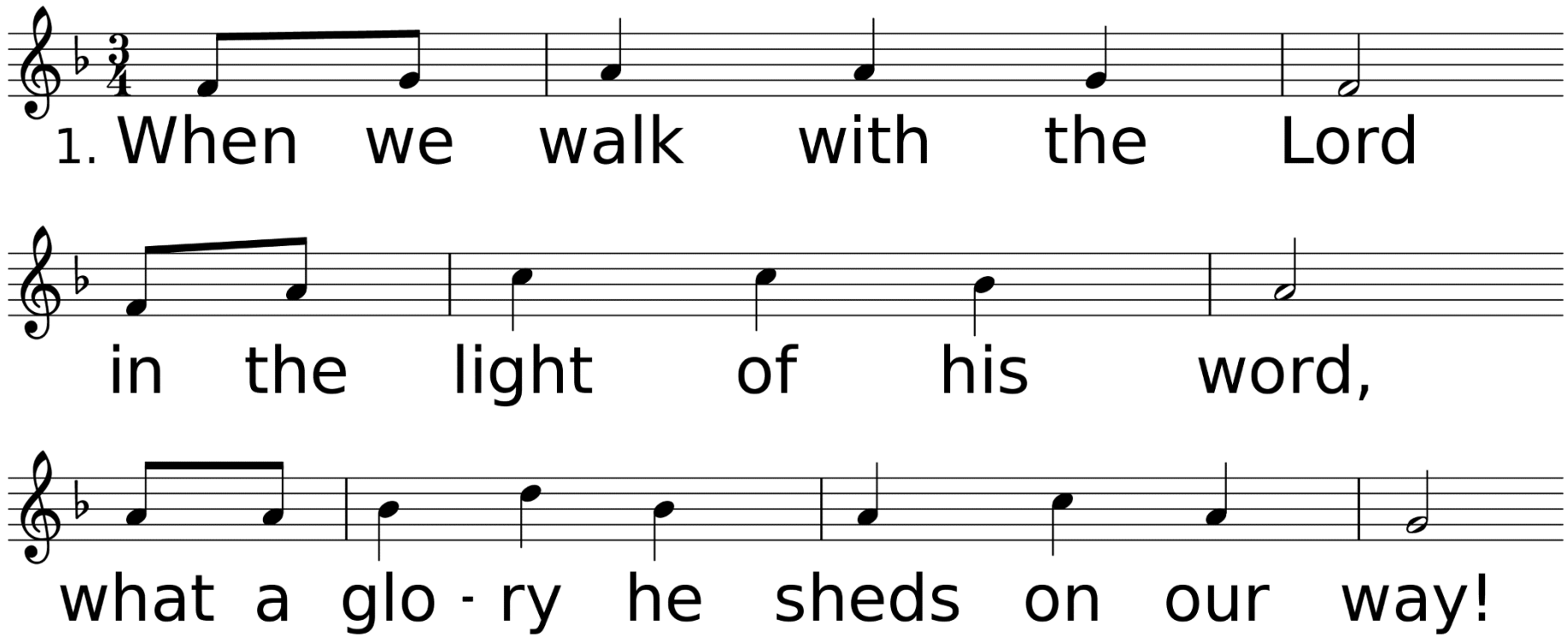

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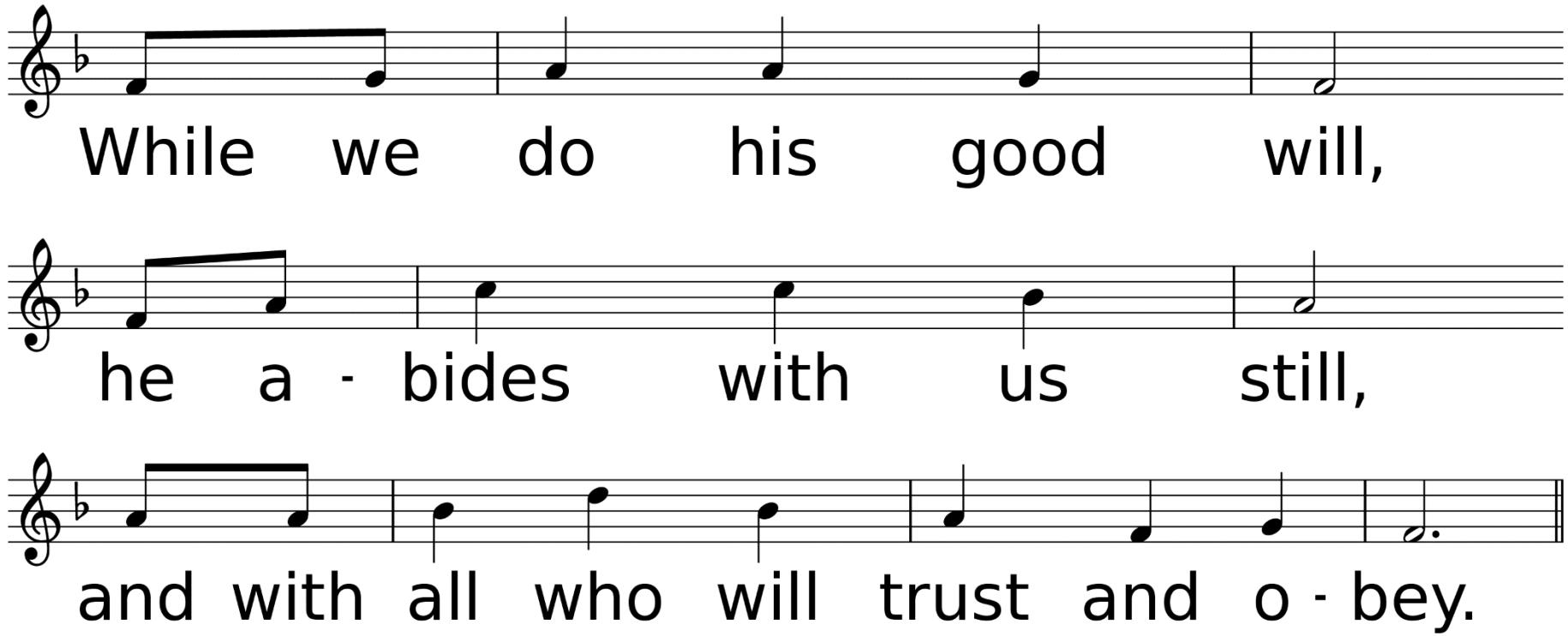
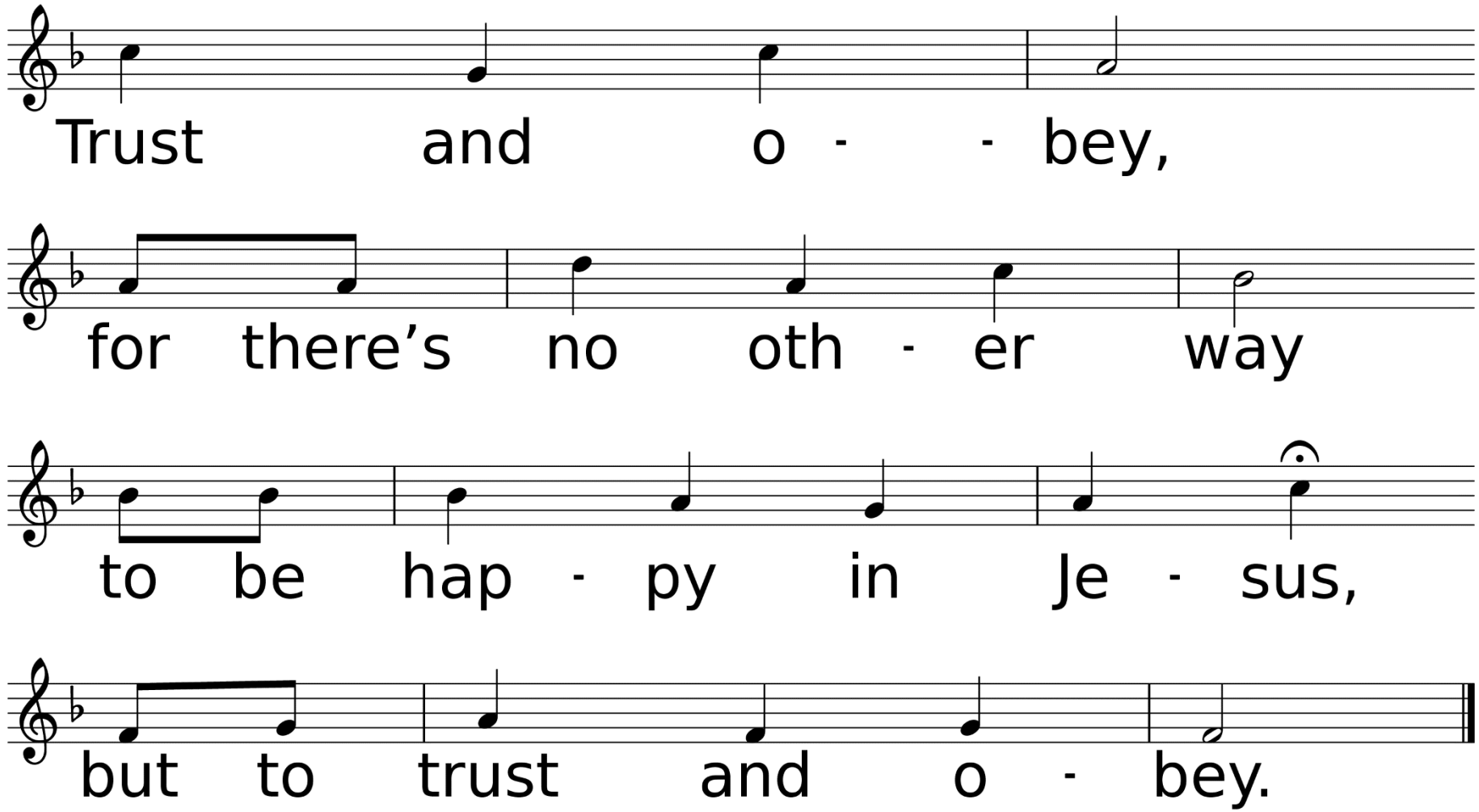
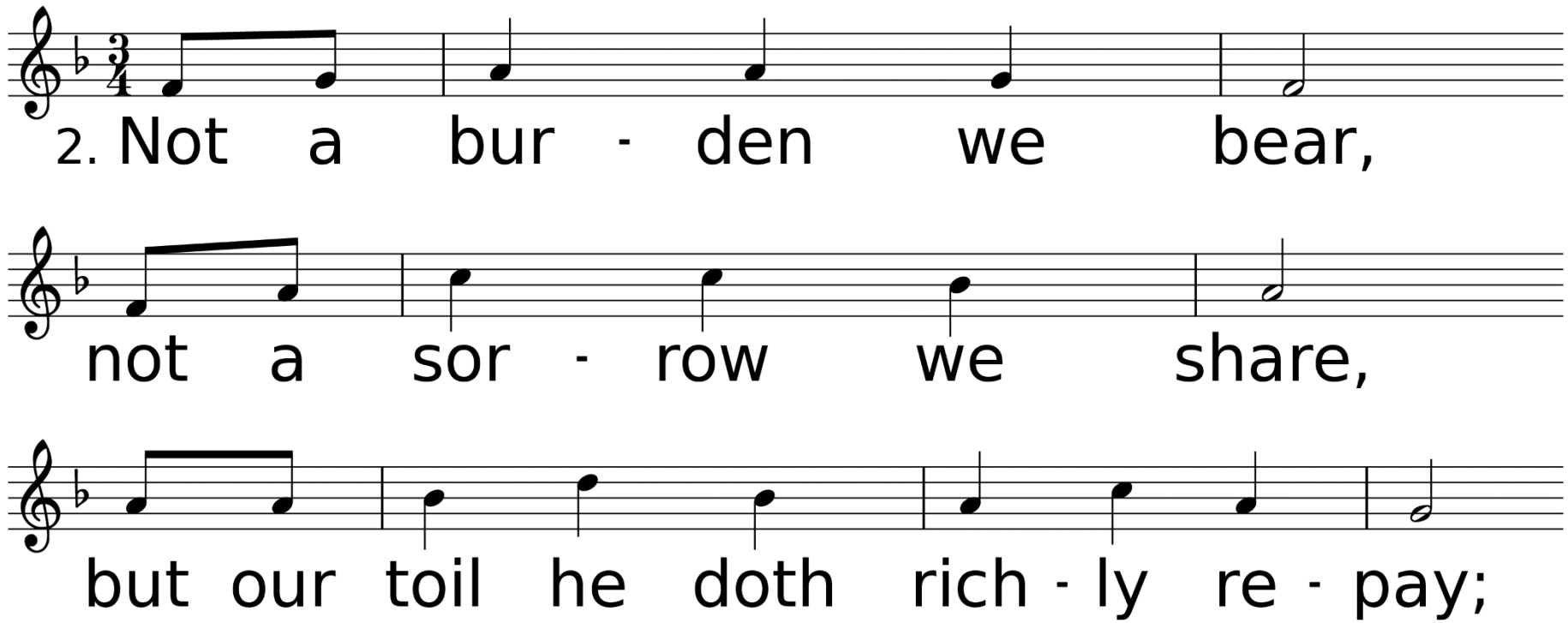
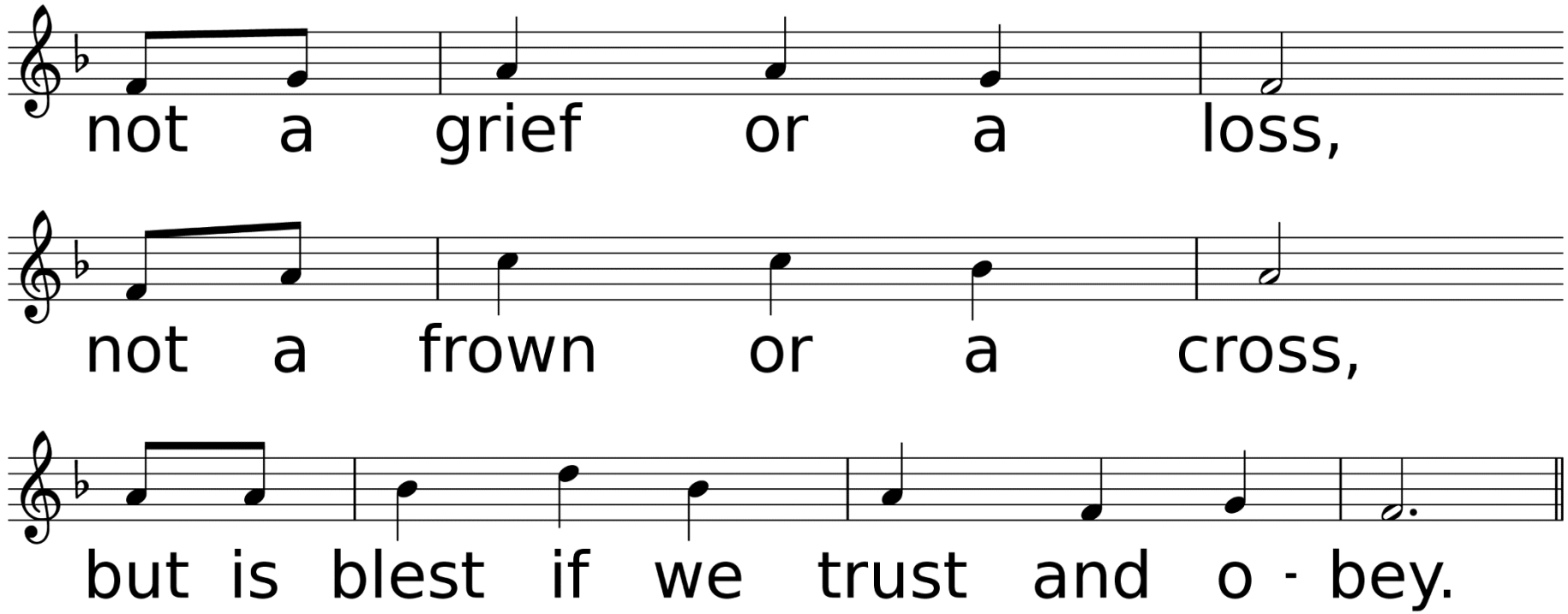
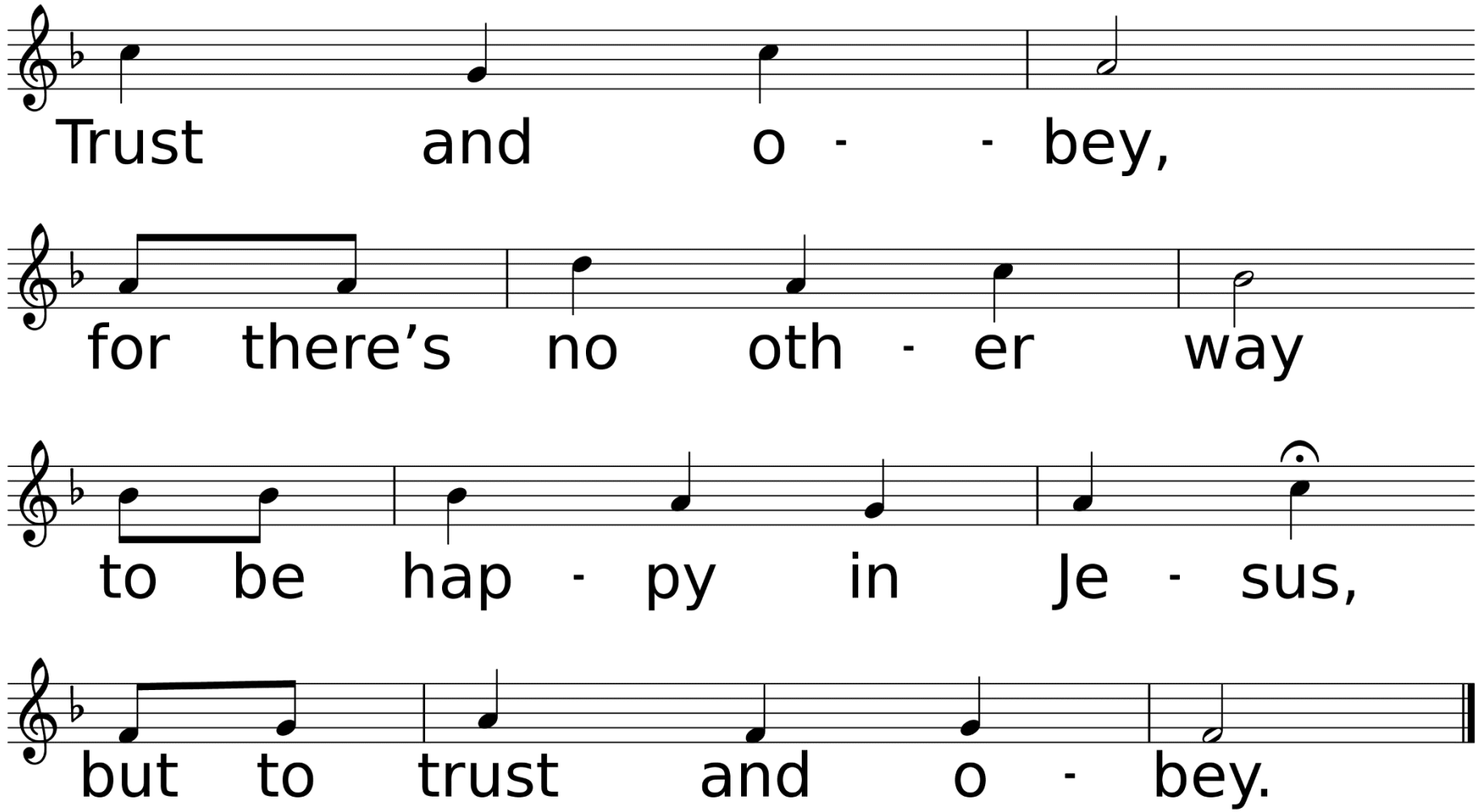

While we do his good will,
he a - bides with us still,
and with all who will trust and o - bey.


Trust and o - - bey,
for there's no oth - er way
to be hap - py in Je - sus,
but to trust and o - bey.


2. Not a bur - den we bear,
not a sor - row we share,
but our toil he doth rich - ly re - pay;


not a grief or a loss,
not a frown or a cross,
but is blest if we trust and o - bey.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Congregational Prayer
&
The Lord’s Prayer

Offering Prayer & Return of God's Tithes & Gifts

*Doxology

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH , #95

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Music by Attr. To Louis Bourgeois

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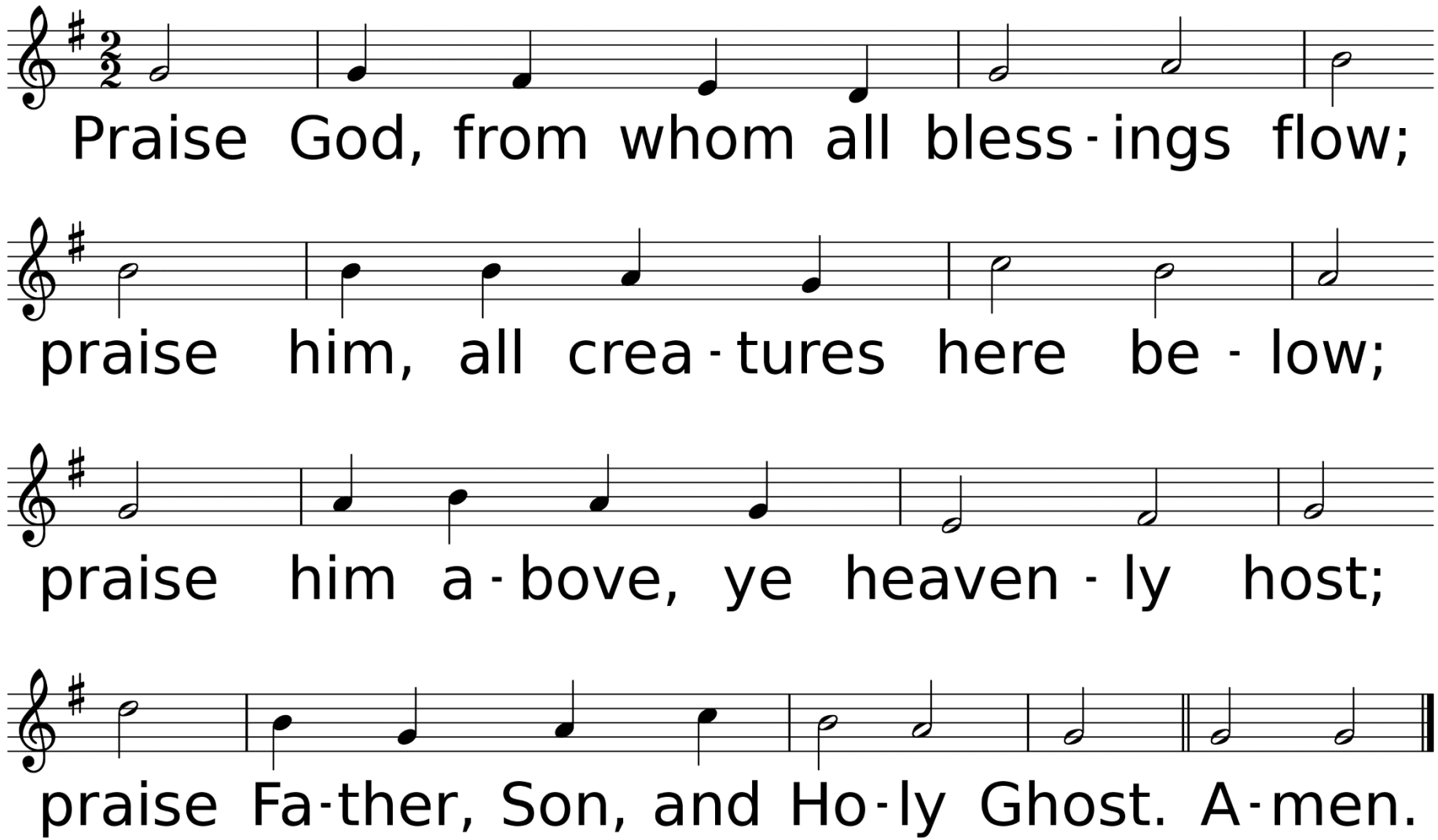

WORDS: Thomas Ken, 1674
MUSIC (OLD 100th, LM): Attr. to Louis Bourgeois, 1551

Dismissal of Children for Children's Church

Hymn of Faith

Praise to the Lord, The Almighty

UMH, #139, v #1, 2 & 4

Words by Joachim Neander

Music by Erneuerten Gesangbuch, Harm. By William Sterndale Bennett

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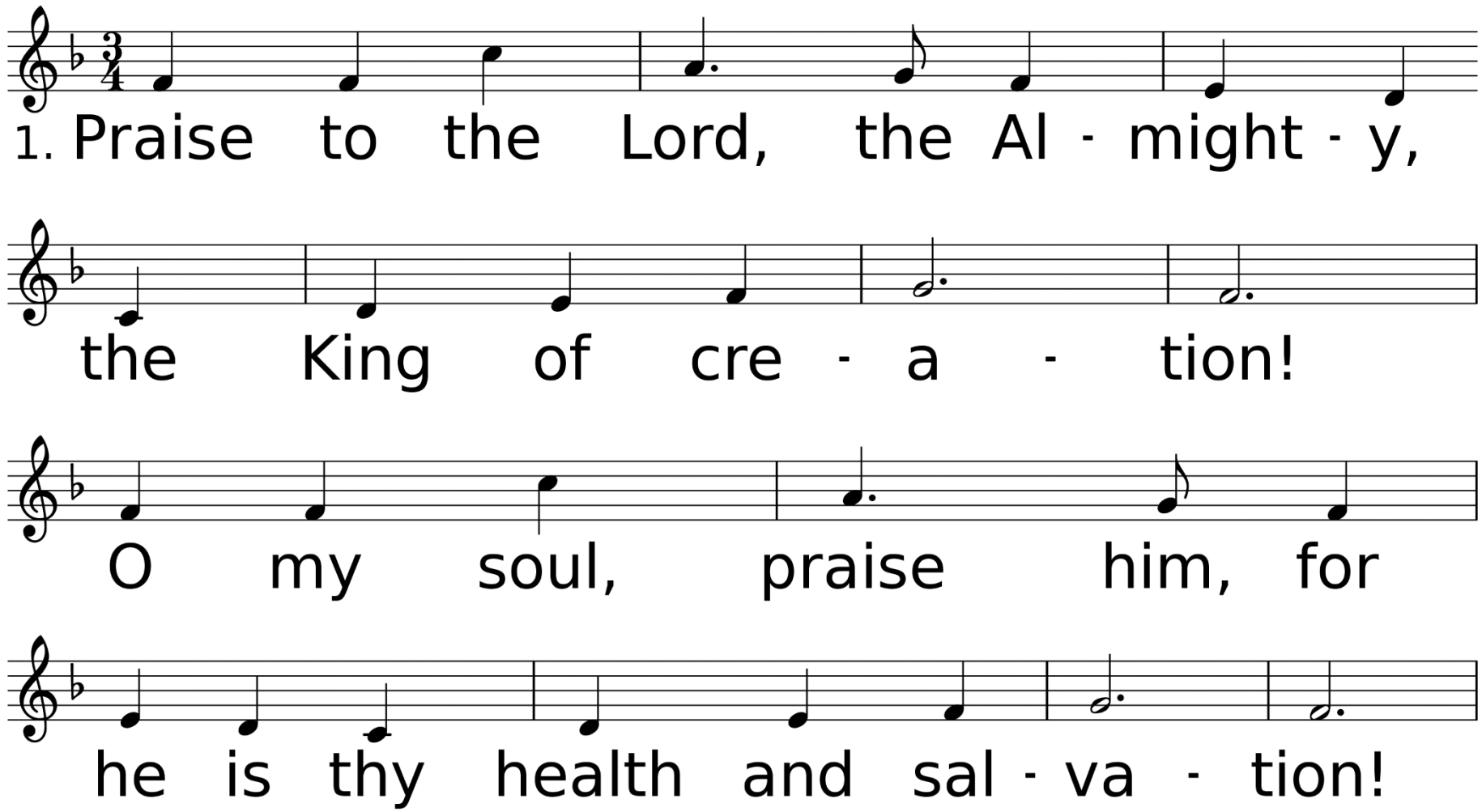

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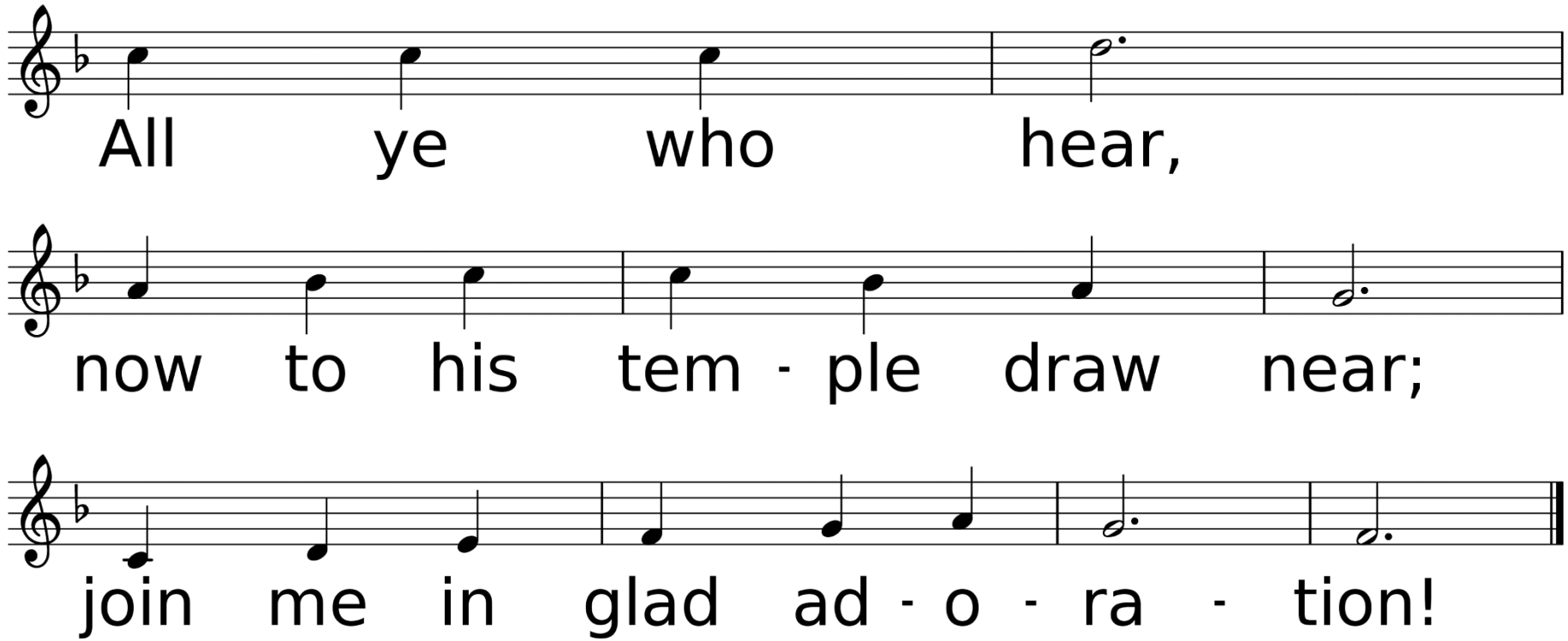
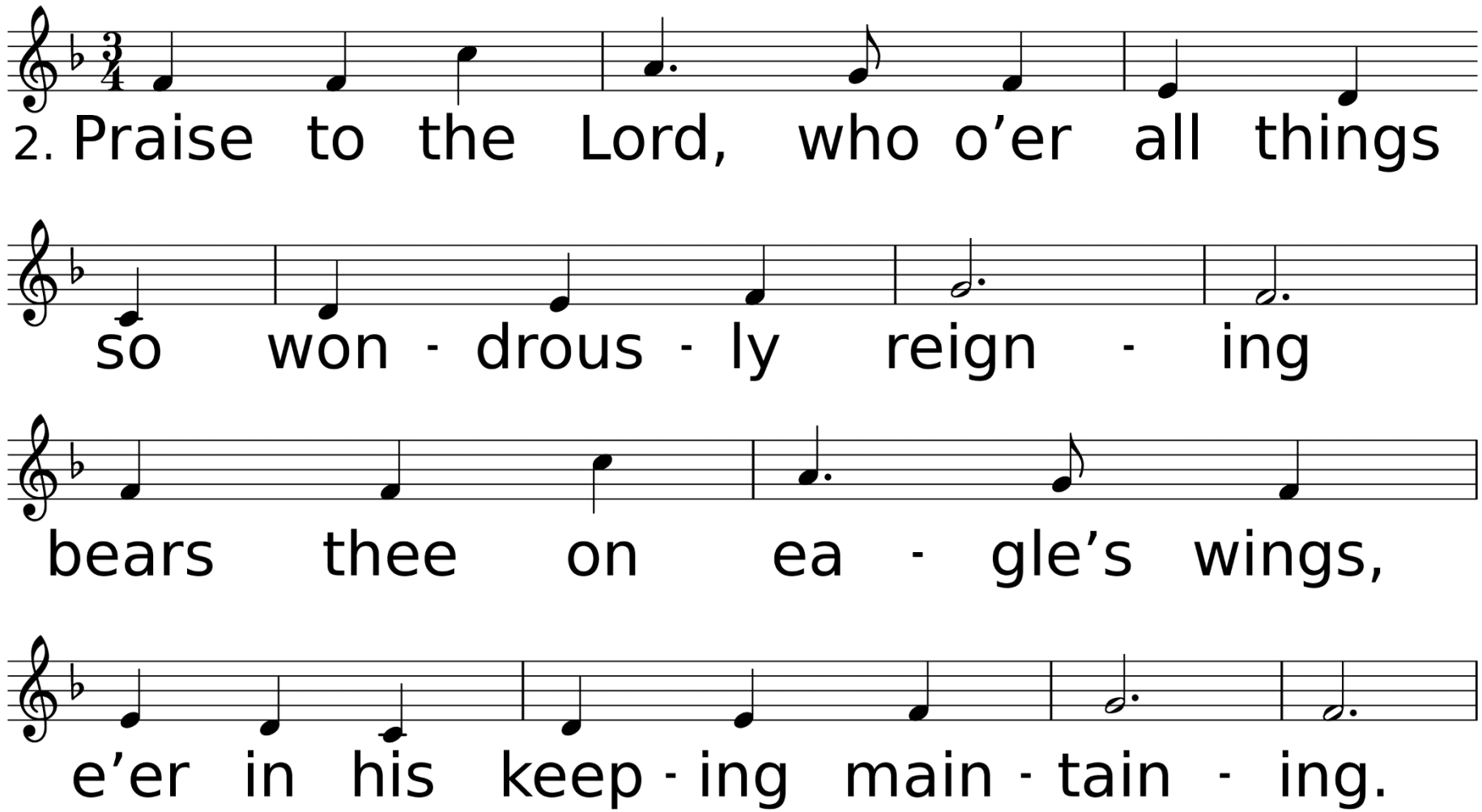
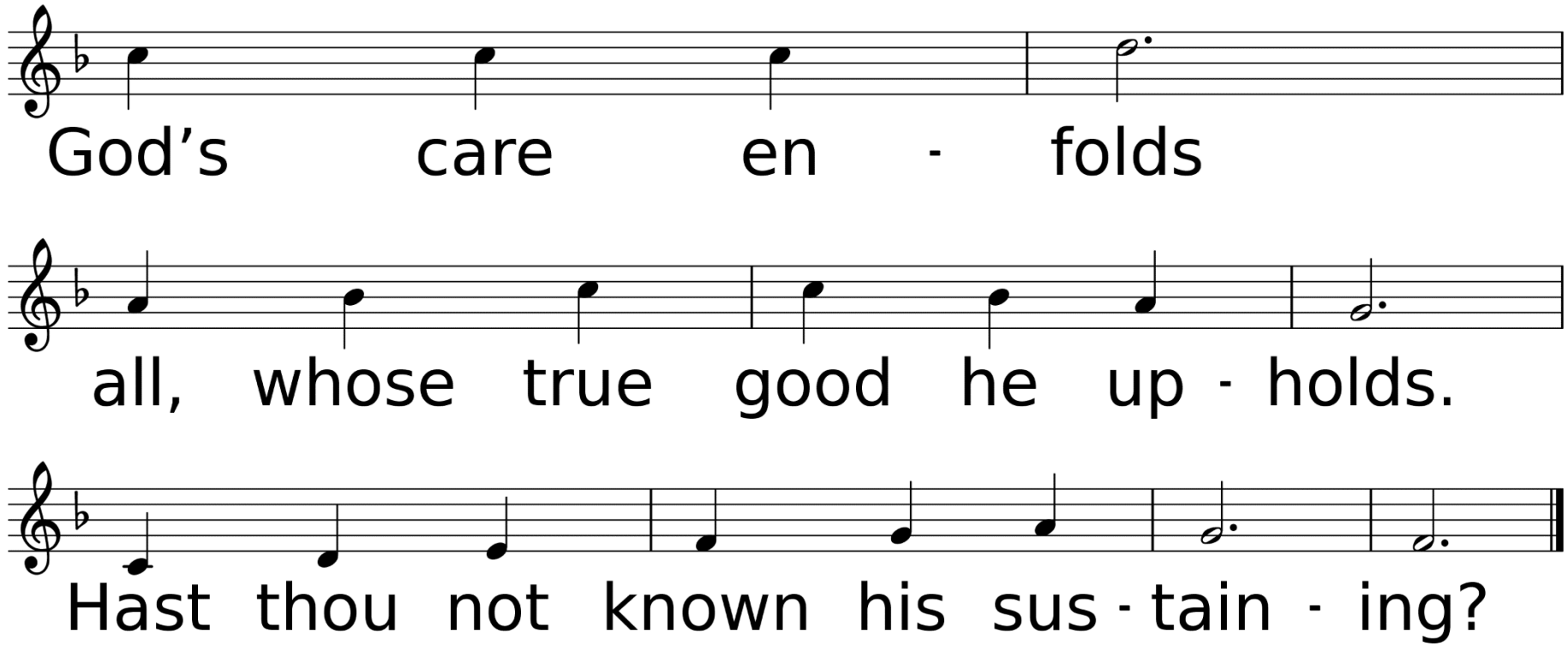
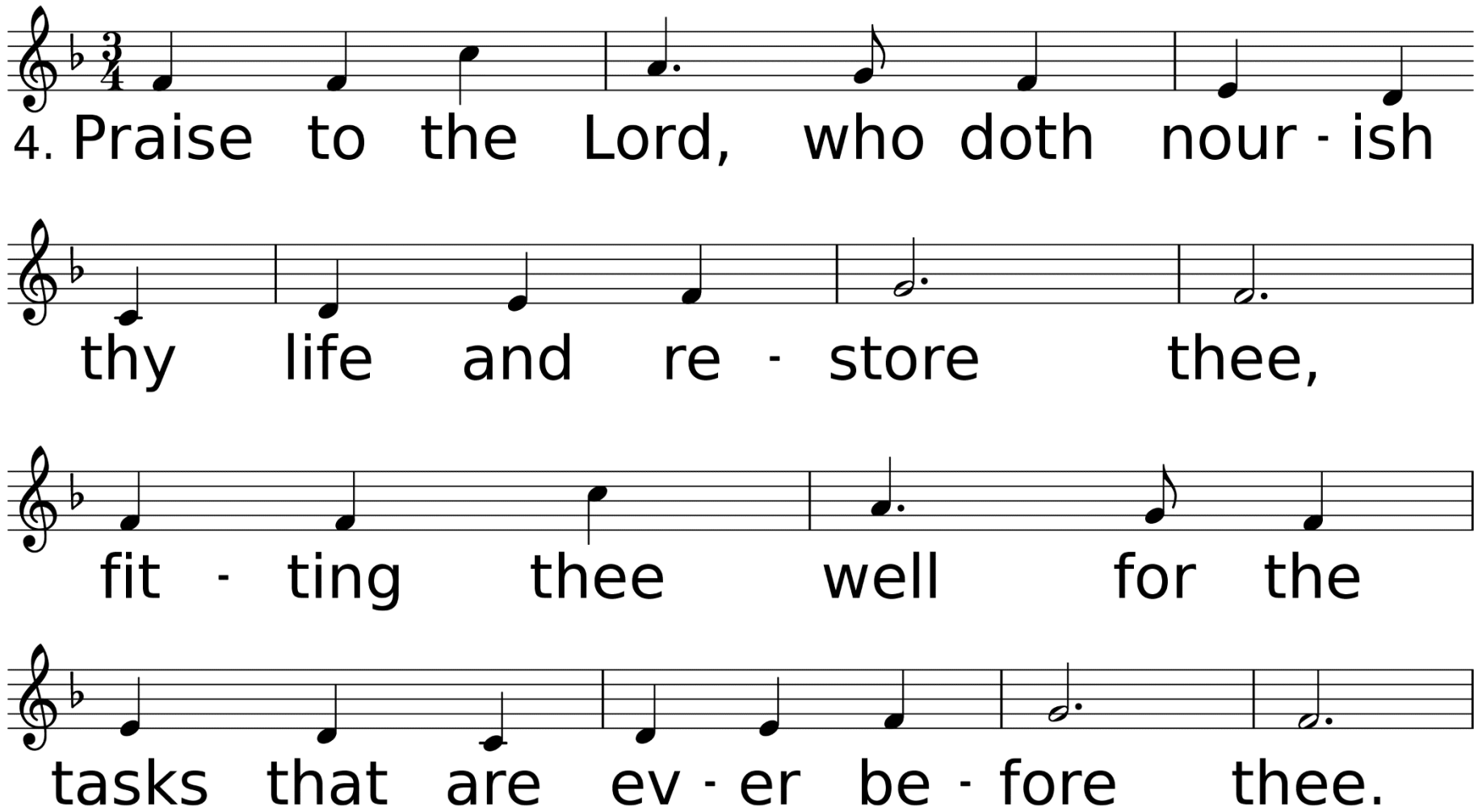
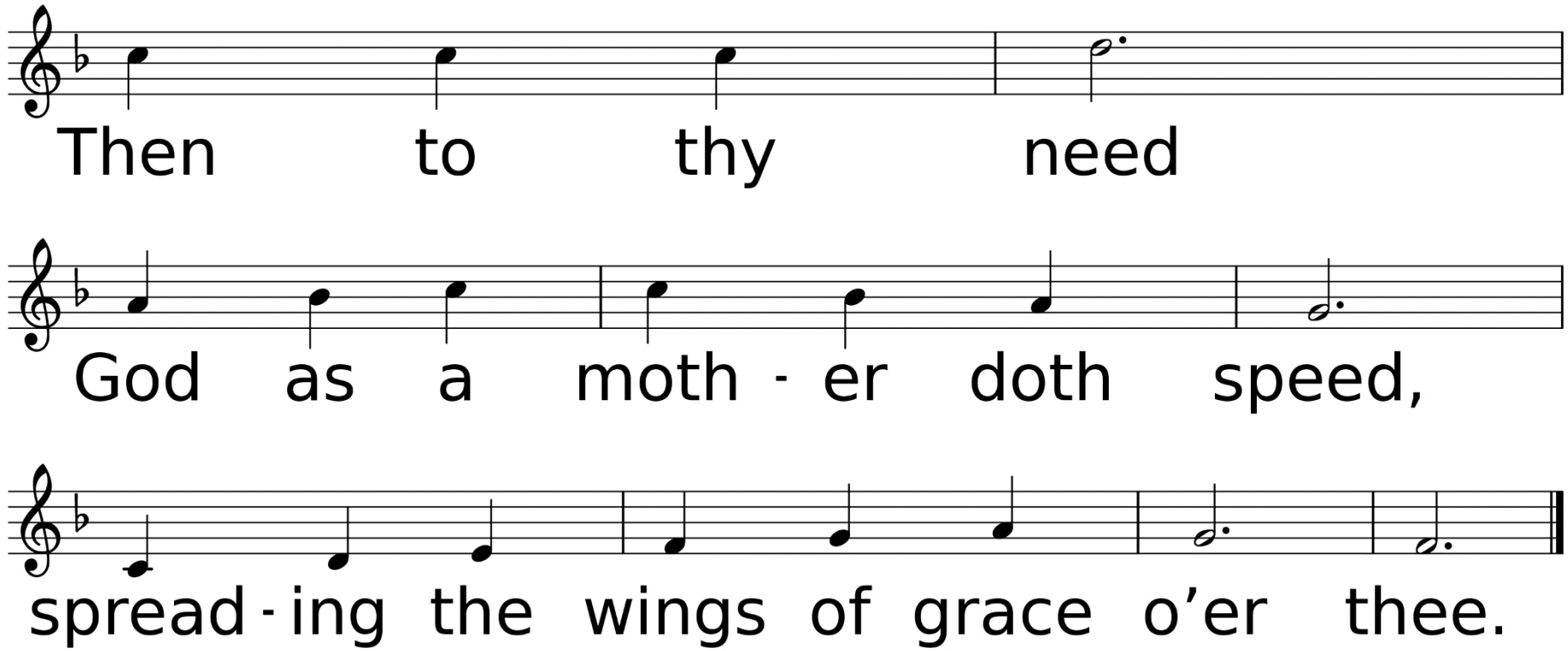

All ye who hear,
now to his tem - ple draw near;
join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!


2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things
so won - drous - ly reign - ing
bears thee on ea - gle's wings,
e'er in his keep - ing main - tain - ing.


God’s care en - folds
all, whose true good he up - holds.
Hast thou not known his sus - tain - ing?


4. Praise to the Lord, who doth nour - ish
thy life and re - store thee,
fit - ting thee well for the
tasks that are ev - er be - fore thee.


Then to thy need
God as a moth - er doth speed,
spread - ing the wings of grace o’er thee.

Scripture Reading: Joshua 5:13-6:5; 15-20, 22-25

Now when Joshua was near Jericho, he looked up and saw a man standing in front of him with a drawn sword in his hand. Joshua went up to him and asked, “Are you for us or for our enemies?” “Neither,” he replied, “but as commander of the army of the LORD I have now come.” Then Joshua fell facedown to the ground in reverence, and asked him, “What message does my Lord have for his servant?” The commander of the LORD’s army replied, “Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy.” And Joshua did so.

Now the gates of Jericho were securely barred because of the Israelites. No one went out and no one came in. Then the LORD said to Joshua, “See, I have delivered Jericho into your hands, along with its king and its fighting men. March around the city once with all the armed men. Do this for six days. Have seven priests carry trumpets of rams’ horns in front of the ark. On the seventh day, march around the city seven times, with the priests blowing the trumpets.

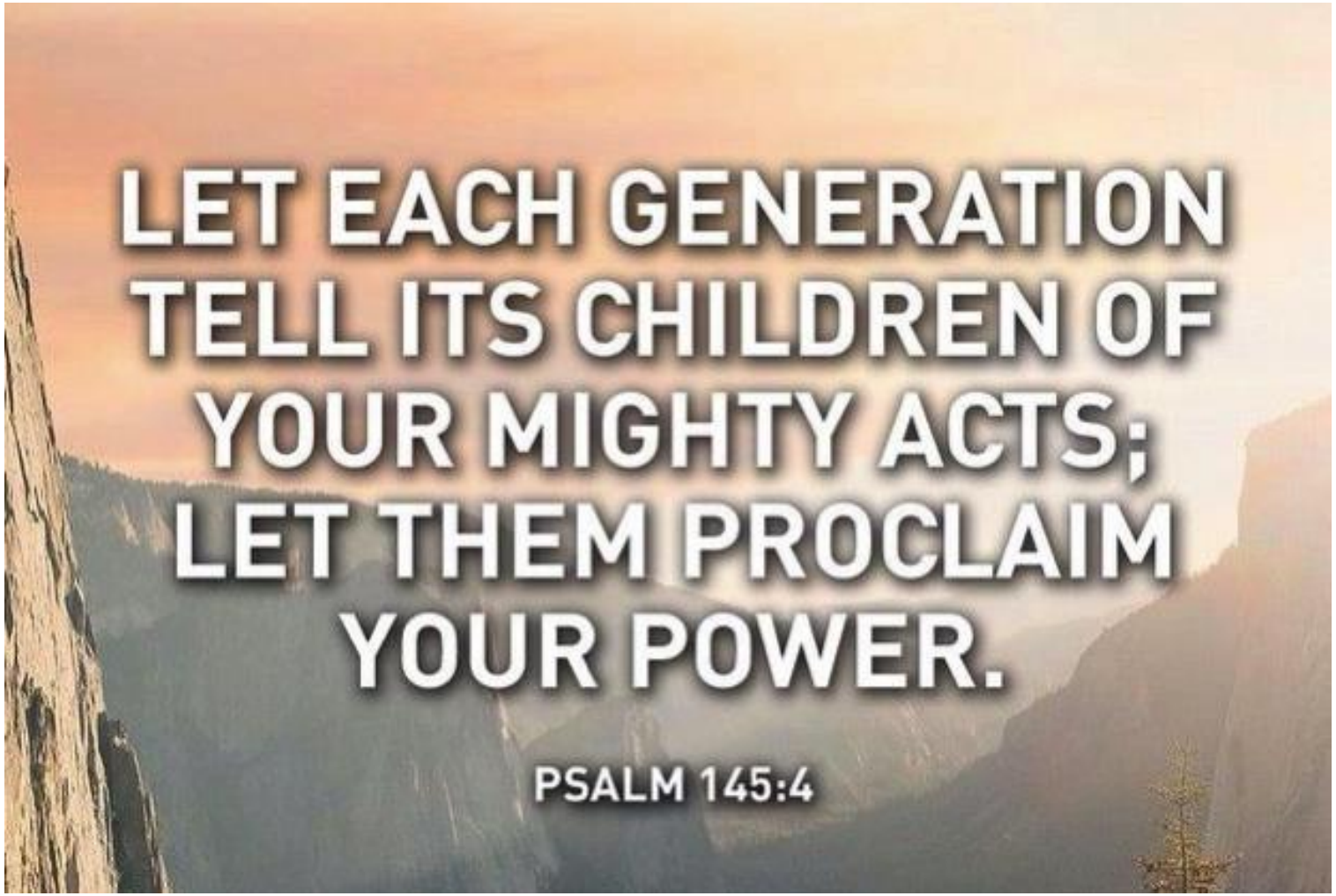
When you hear them sound a long blast on the trumpets, have the whole army give a loud shout; then the wall of the city will collapse and the army will go up, everyone straight in.”

On the seventh day, they got up at daybreak and marched around the city seven times in the same manner, except that on that day they circled the city seven times. The seventh time around, when the priests sounded the trumpet blast, Joshua commanded the army, “Shout! For the LORD has given you the city! The city and all that is in it are to be about your own destruction by taking any of them.

Otherwise you will make the camp of Israel liable to destruction and bring trouble on it. All the silver and gold and the articles of bronze and iron are sacred to the LORD and must go into his treasury." When the trumpets sounded, the army shouted, and at the sound of the trumpet, when the men gave a loud shout, the wall collapsed; so everyone charged straight in, and they took the city.

Joshua said to the two men who had spied out the land, “Go into the prostitute’s house and bring her out and all who belong to her, in accordance with your oath to her.” So the young men who had done the spying went in and brought out Rahab, her father and mother, her brothers and sisters and all who belonged to her. They brought out her entire family and put them in a place outside the camp of Israel.

Then they burned the whole city and everything in it, but they put the silver and gold and the articles of bronze and iron into the treasury of the LORD's house. But Joshua spared Rahab the prostitute, with her family and all who belonged to her, because she hid the men Joshua had sent as spies to Jericho—and she lives among the Israelites to this day.



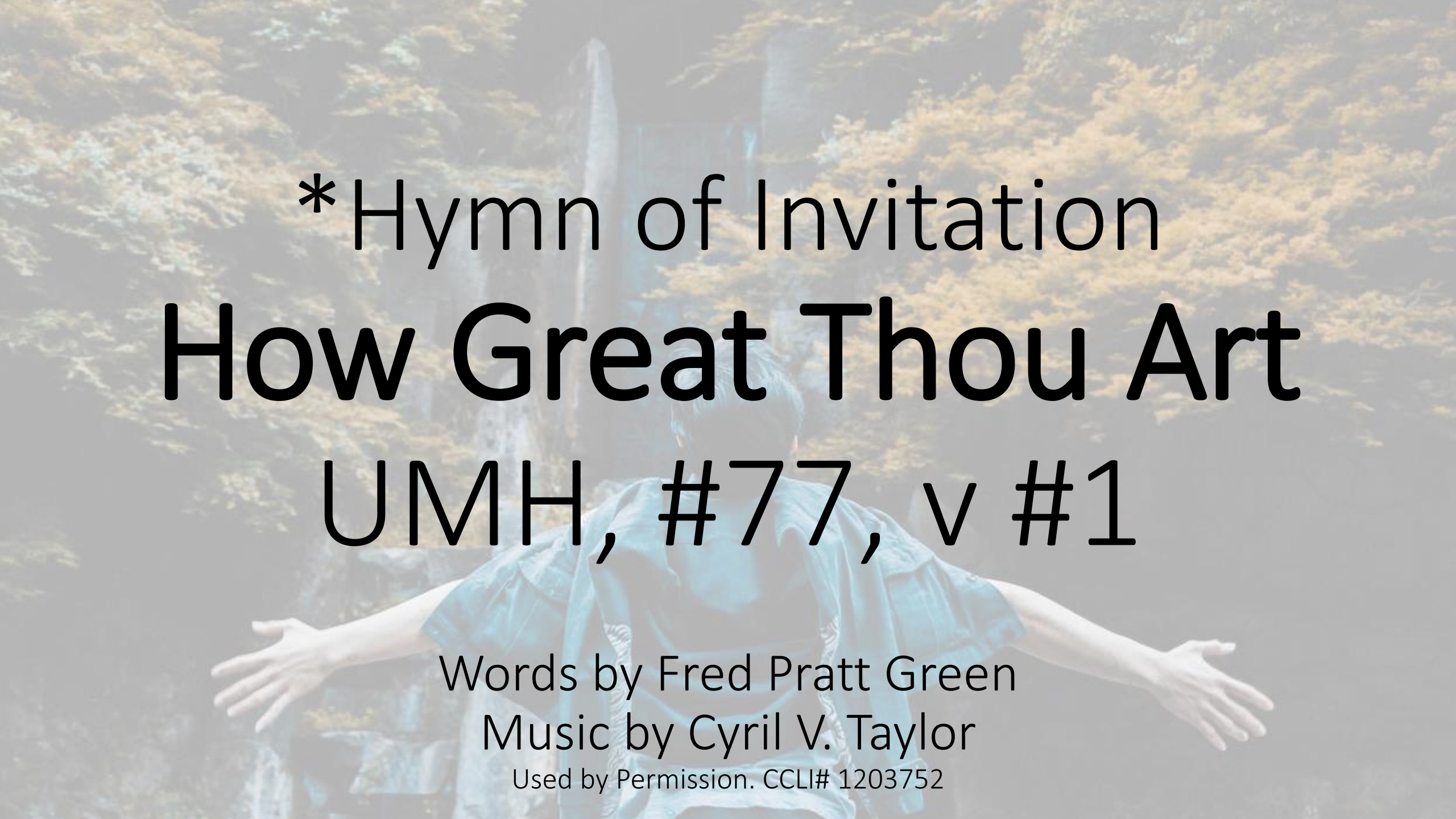
“Jericho - God’s Mighty Acts and Deeds!”

Sermon
Rev. Laraine Waughtal

Anthem

Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho

By African-American Spirtual
Arr. By Martha Lynn Thompson



*Hymn of Invitation

How Great Thou Art

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Music by Cyril V. Taylor

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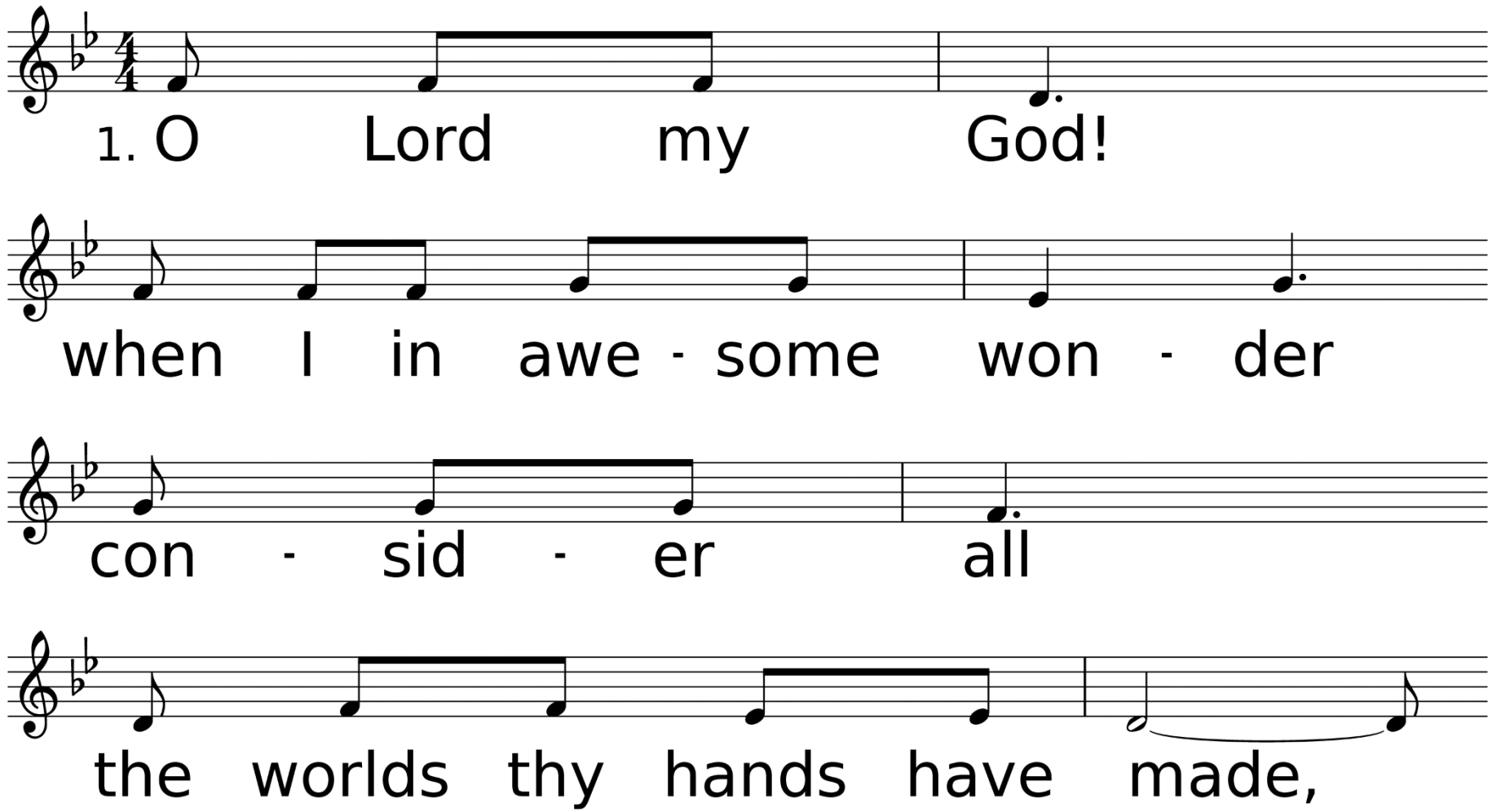

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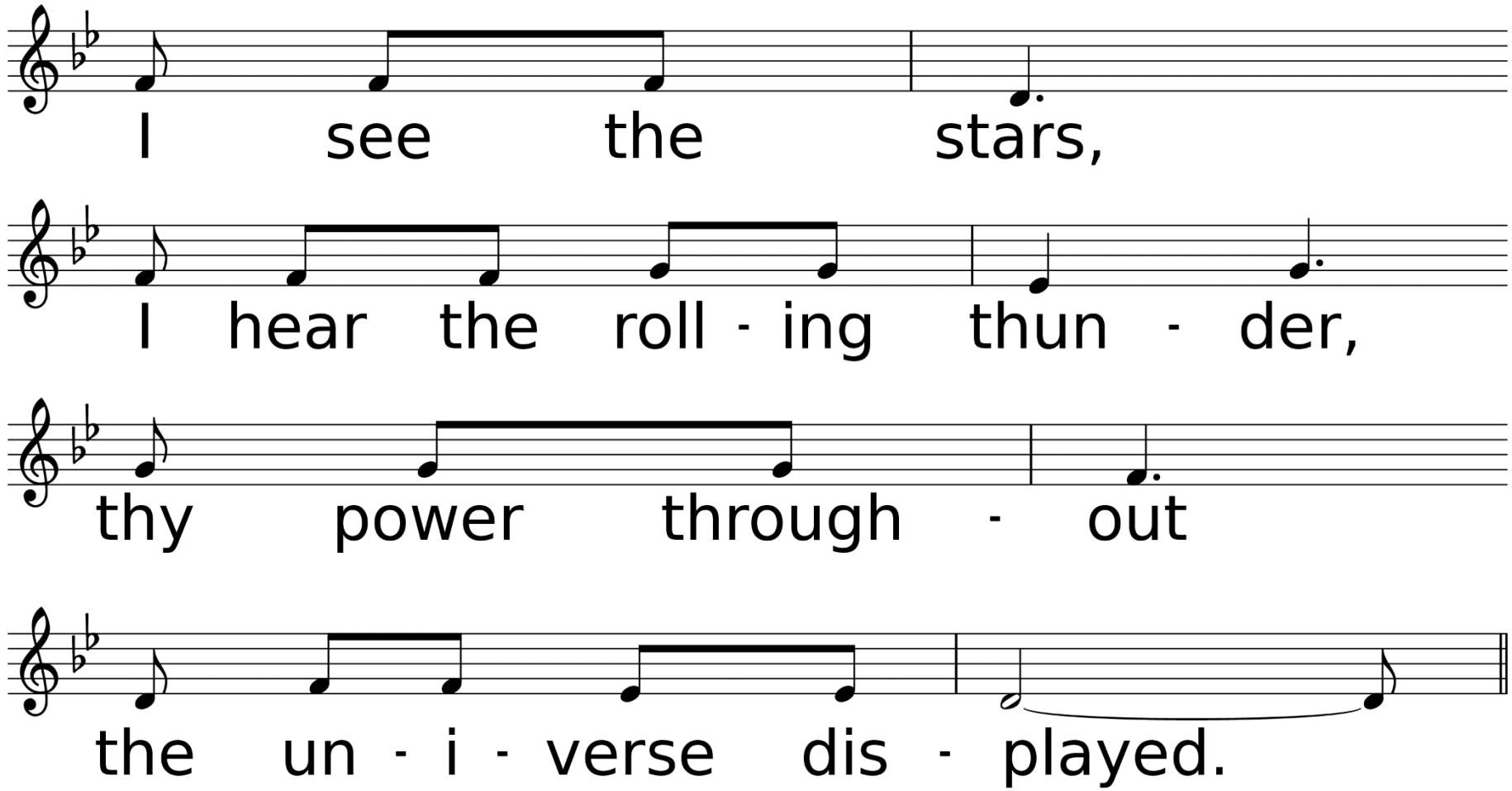
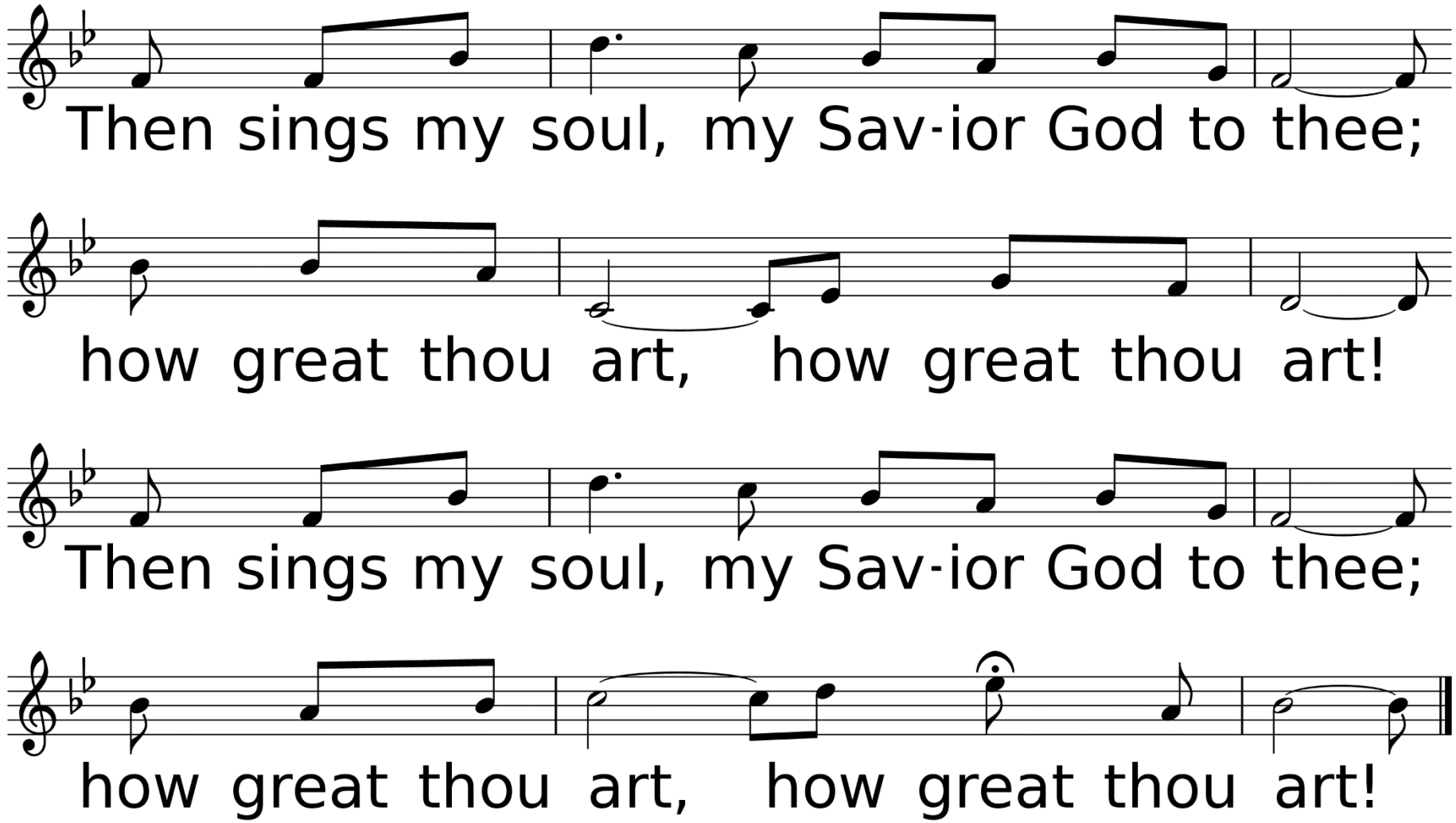

I see the stars,
I hear the roll - ing thun - der,
thy power through - out
the un - i - verse dis - played.


Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God to thee;
how great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God to thee;
how great thou art, how great thou art!

*Benediction

*Sending Forth

On Eagles' Wings

UMH, #143

Words by Michael Joncas

Music by Michael Joncas, harm by Carlton R. Young

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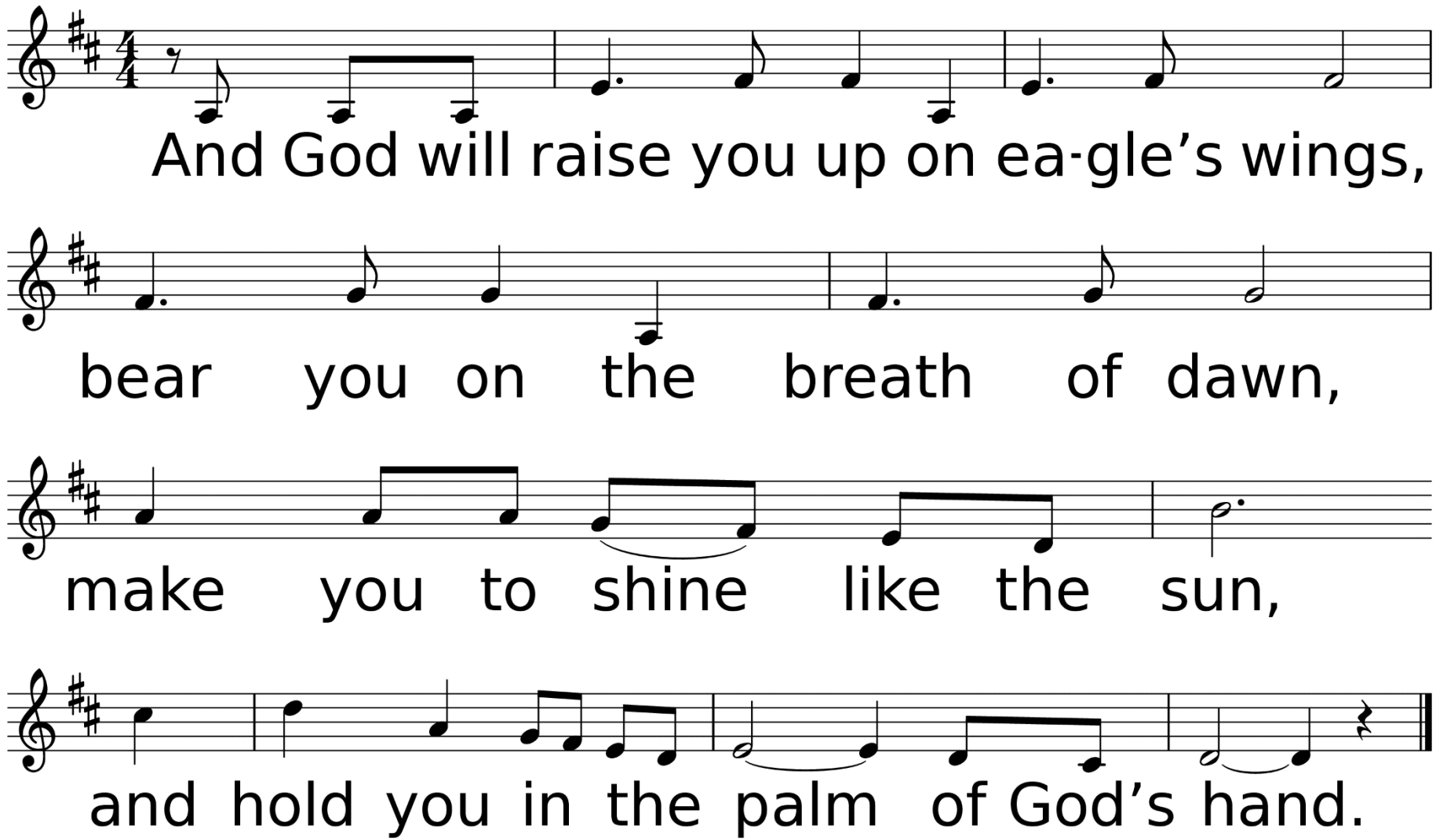

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