

EASTER SUNDAY

THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

**tRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH** | *Saline, Michigan*

*April 9, 2023*

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP

**Thank you** for joining us in God’s house today! We cordially ask that our Guests sign one of the guestbooks located at either the front or back entryways, or fill out a “Let’s Get Acquainted” card located in the hymnal pew rack and place it in the collection plate.

**THANK OFFERING:**  Members of Trinity give their offering as an expression of love and thankfulness to the Lord and to help support the Lord’s work in our community and around the world. Visitors need not feel obligated to participate in this offering which supports our ministry.

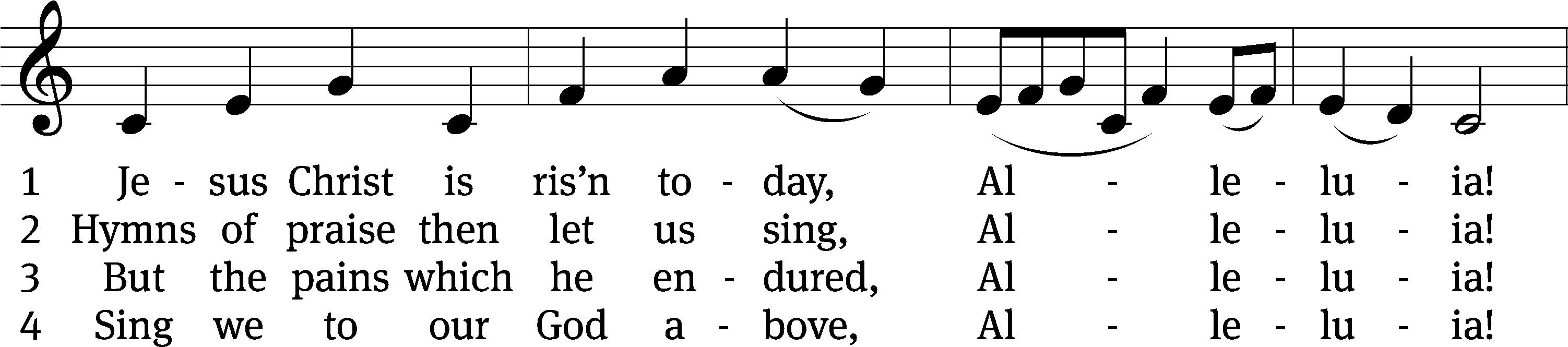
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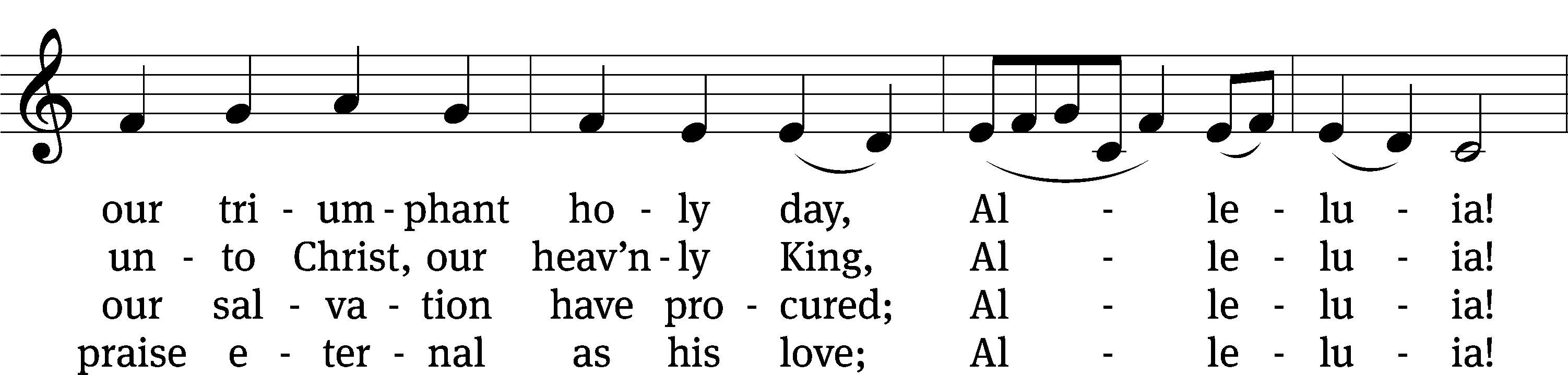
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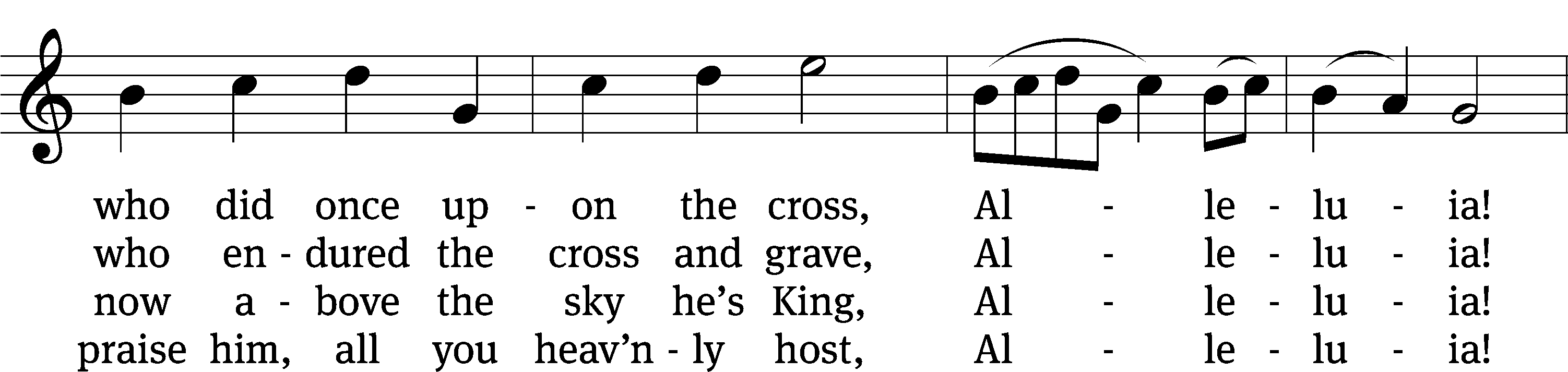
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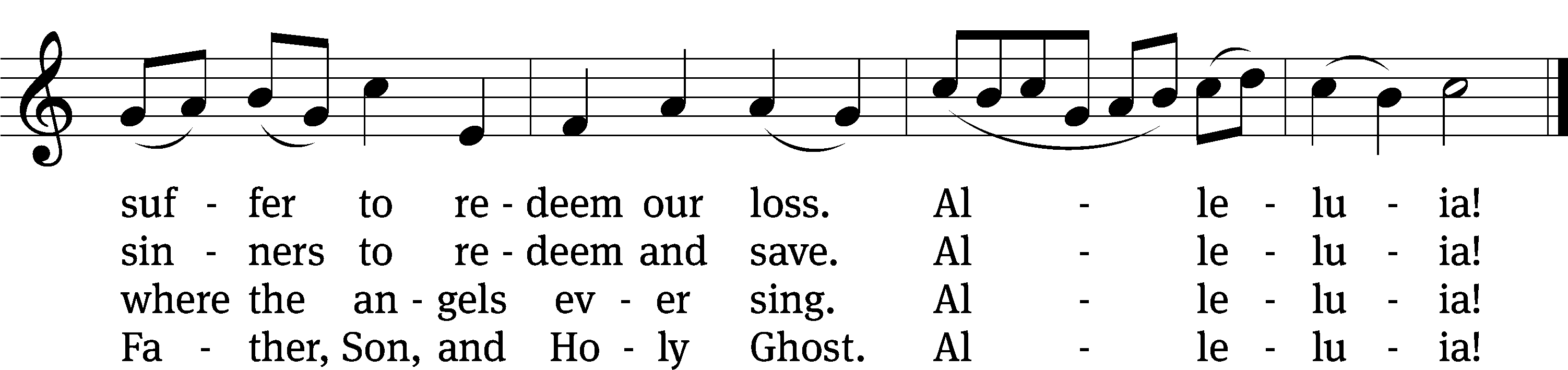
**Words of Welcome**

**438 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today** *CW 438*









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**Opening Liturgy**

**PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE**

M: He is risen!

**C: He is risen indeed!**

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

**C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

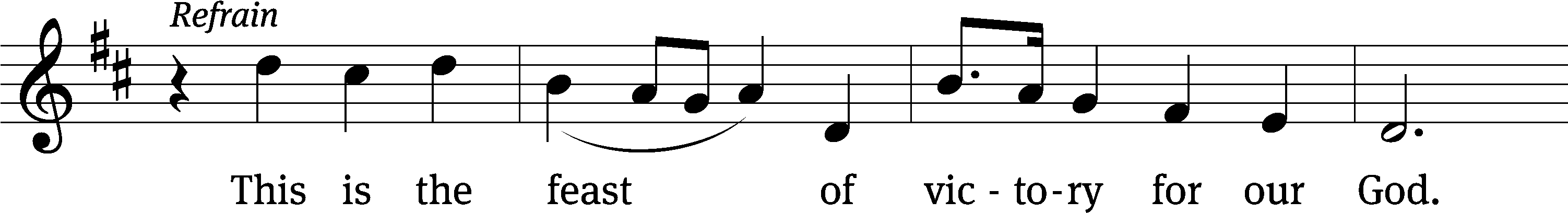
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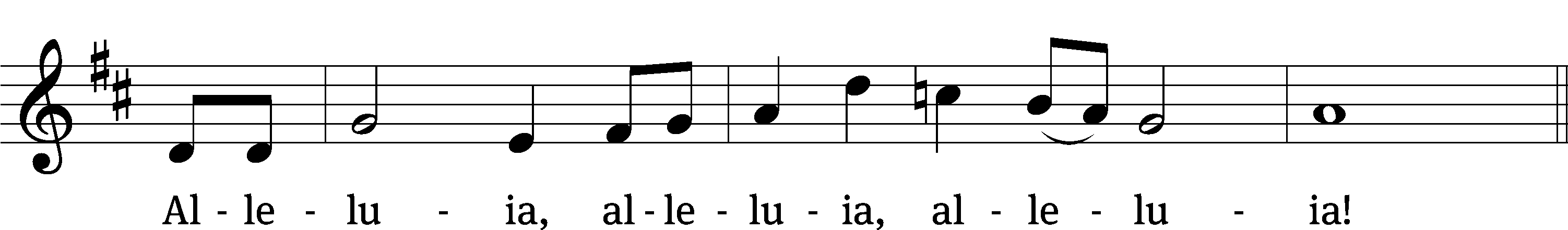
M: Let us pray.

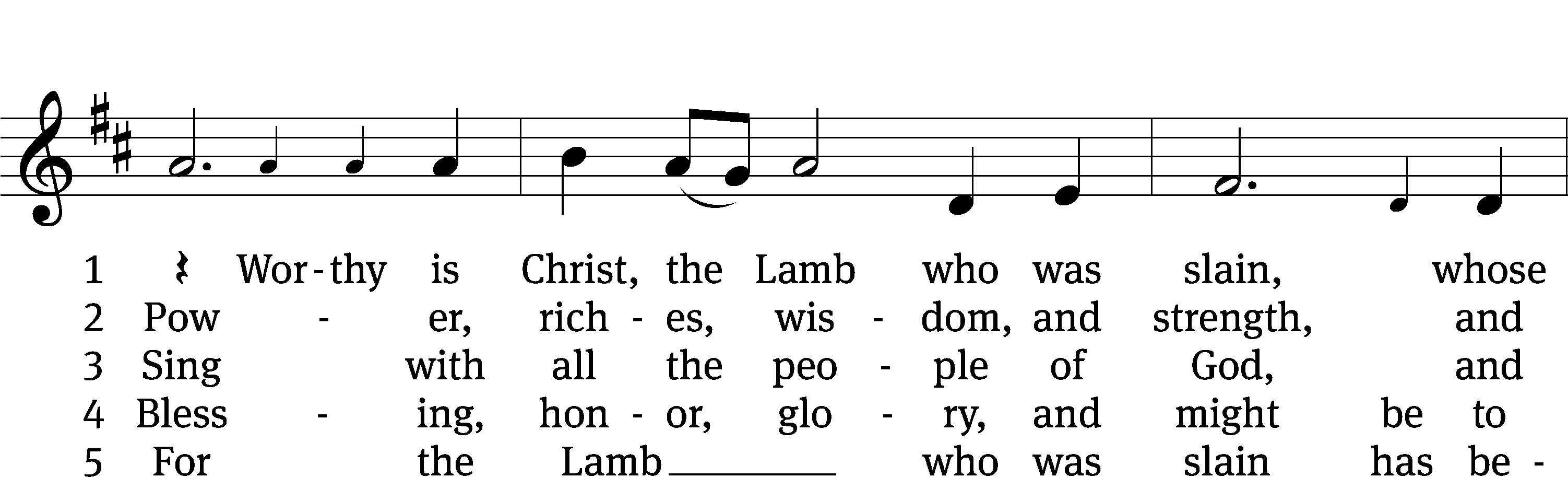
Almighty God, through your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, you overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. We humbly pray that we may live before you in righteousness and purity forever; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

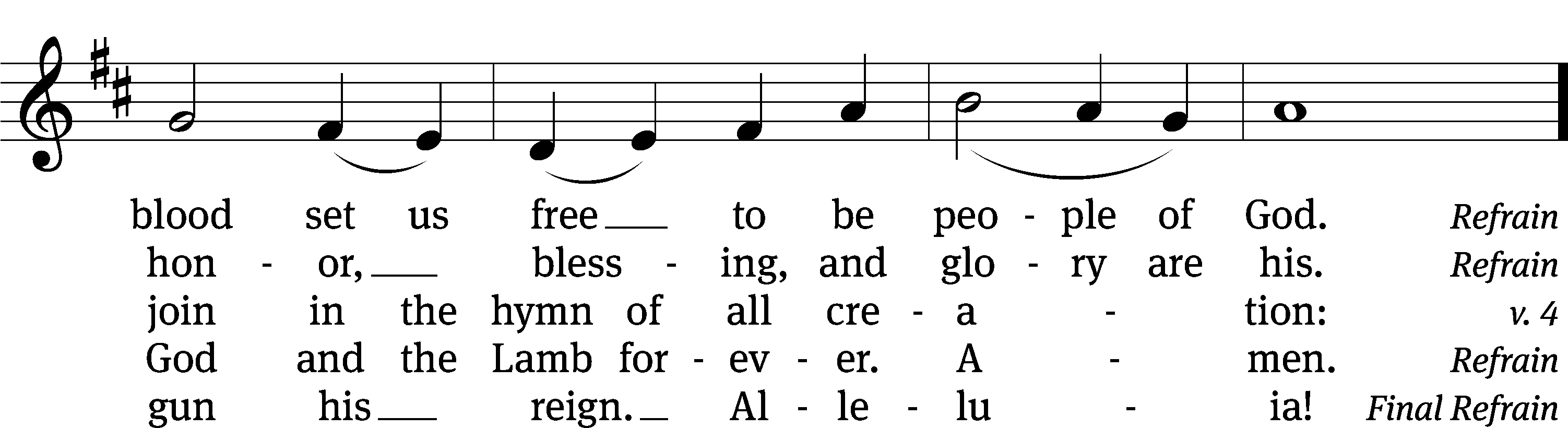
**Amen.**

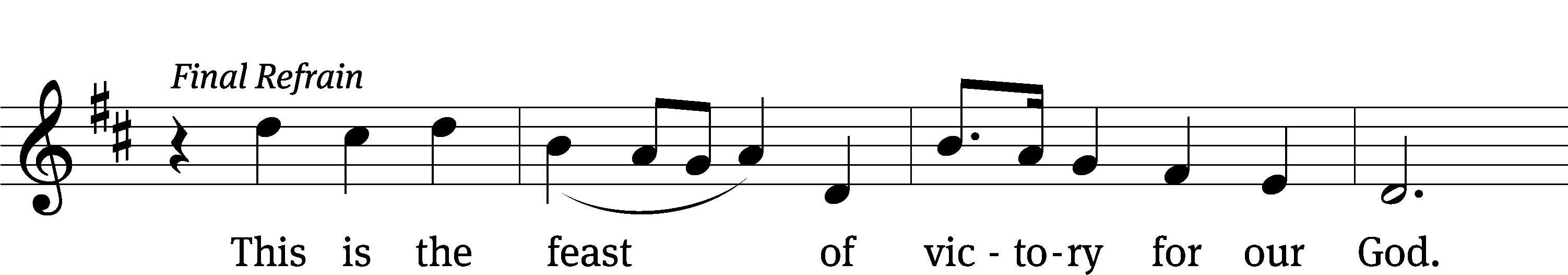
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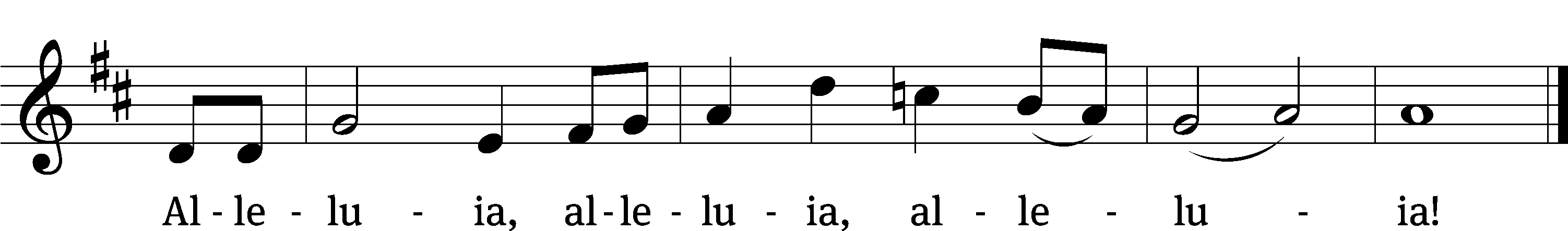












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**PLEASE BE SEATED**

**The First Lesson for Easter Compiled from the Gospels**

**SENIOR CHOIR “Scatter the Darkness, Break the Gloom”**

Scatter the darkness, break the gloom; sun, reveal an empty tomb

Shining with joy for all our sorrows, hope and peace for all tomorrows,

Life uneclipsed by doubt and dread; Christ has risen from the dead!

Bearing the standard from on high, as the Lamb of God to die;

He who for us, so cruelly treated, lives again – our foes defeated!

Where is your sting, O death and grave? Christ has shown his strength to save!

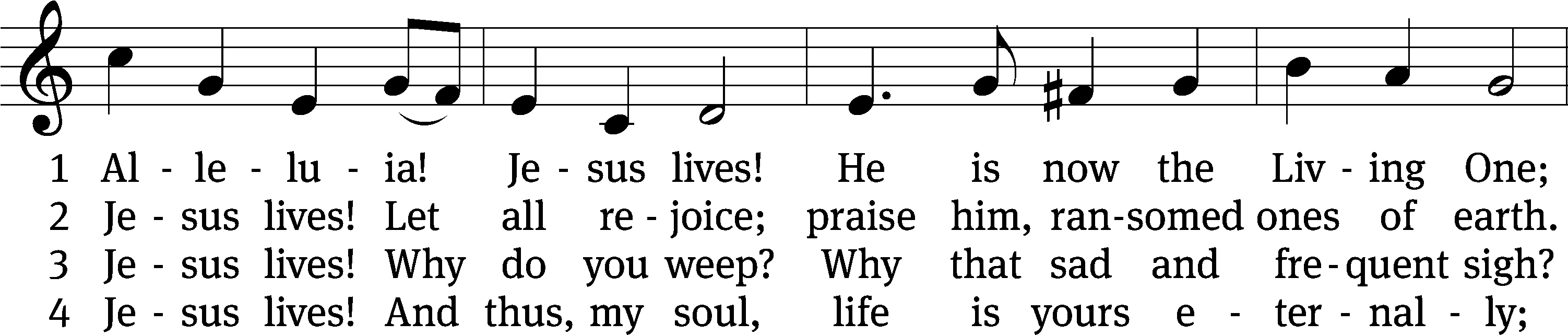
Banners of triumph, be unfurled! Trumpets sound throughout the wqorld!

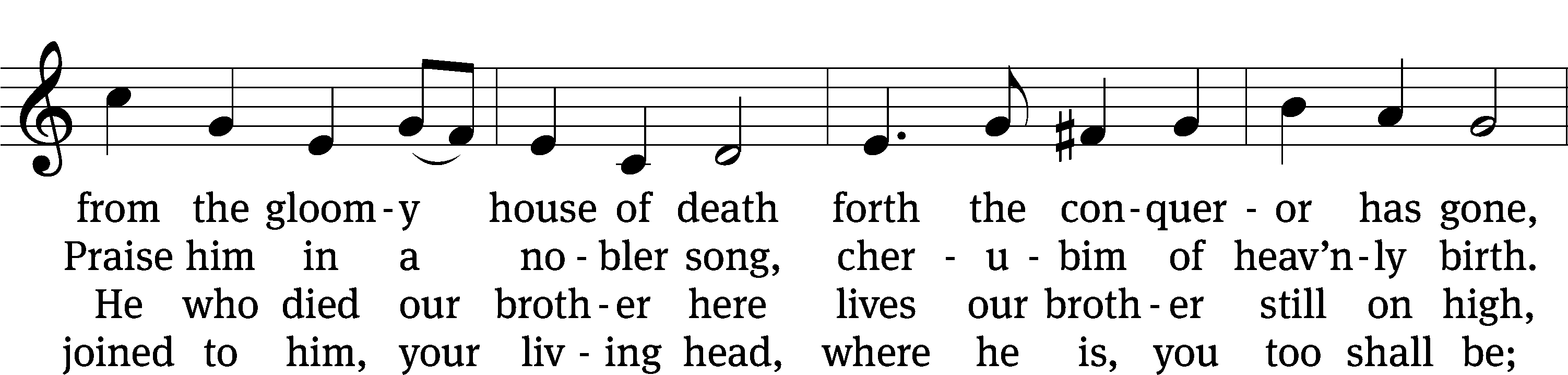
Crying and sighing give way to singing; Life from death our Lord is bringing!

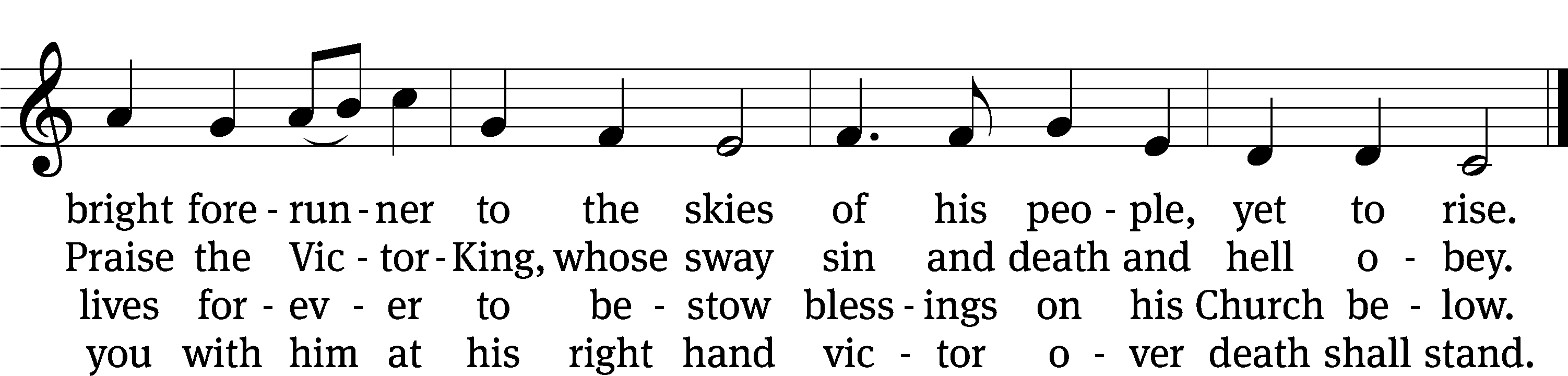
Let there begin the jubilee – Christ has gained the victory!

**The Second Lesson for Easter Compiled from the Gospels**

**455 Alleluia! Jesus Lives** *CW 455*







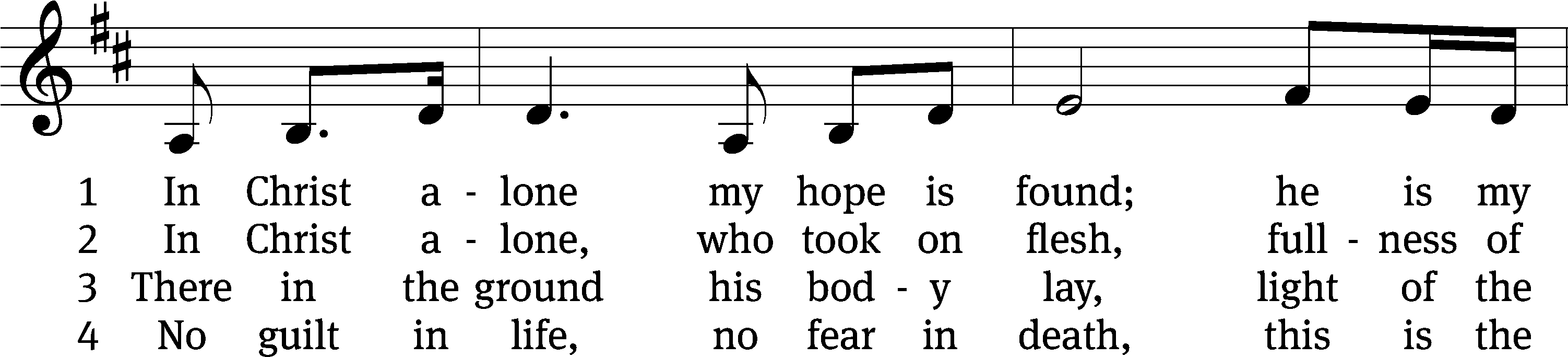
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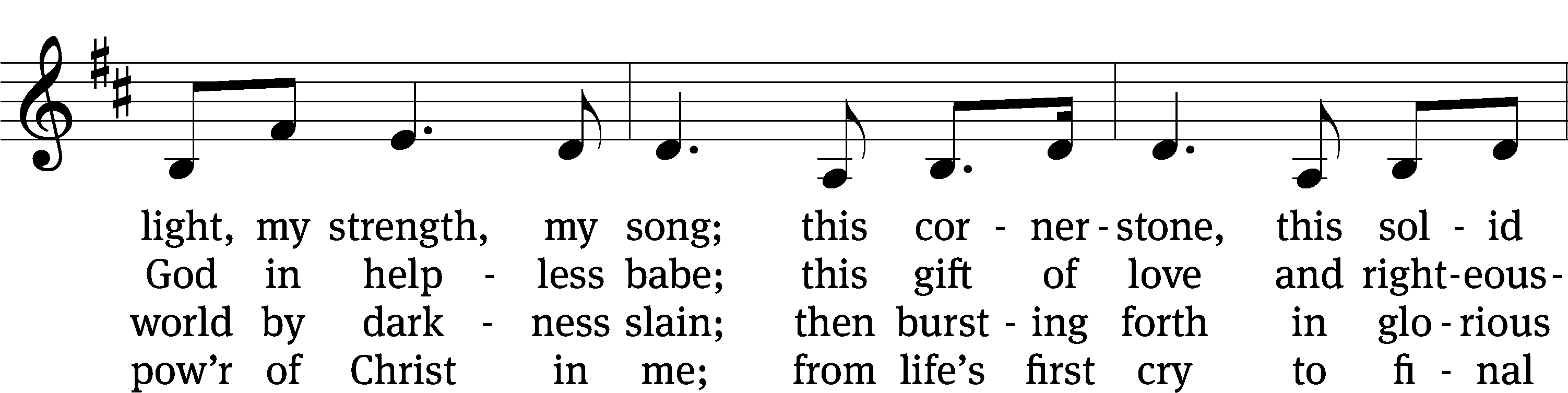
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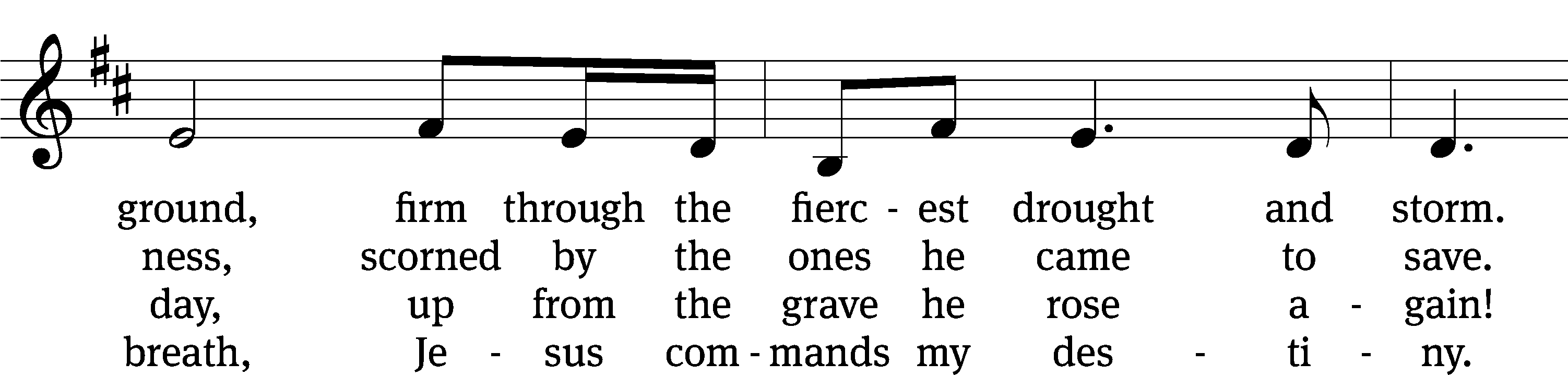
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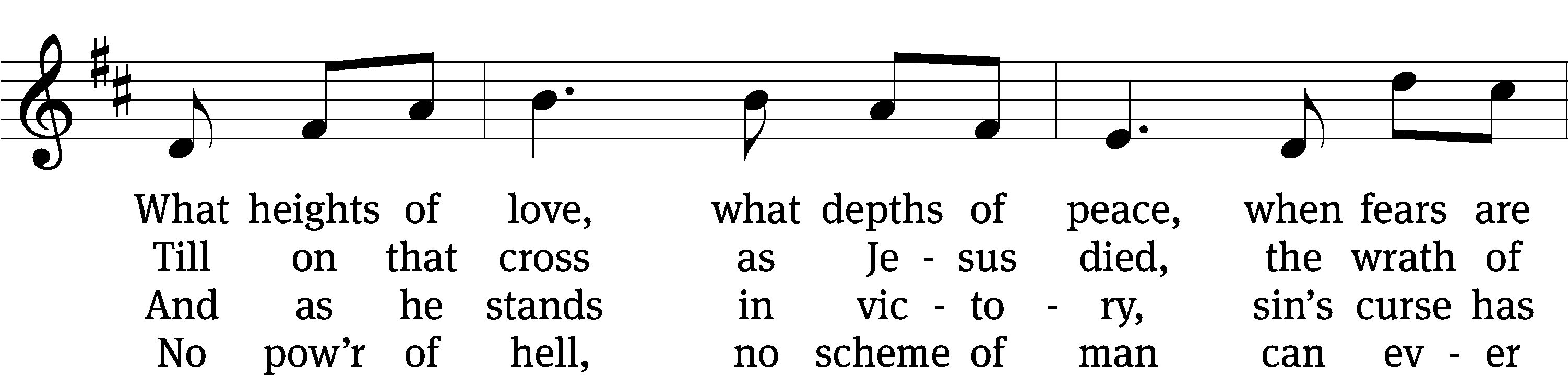
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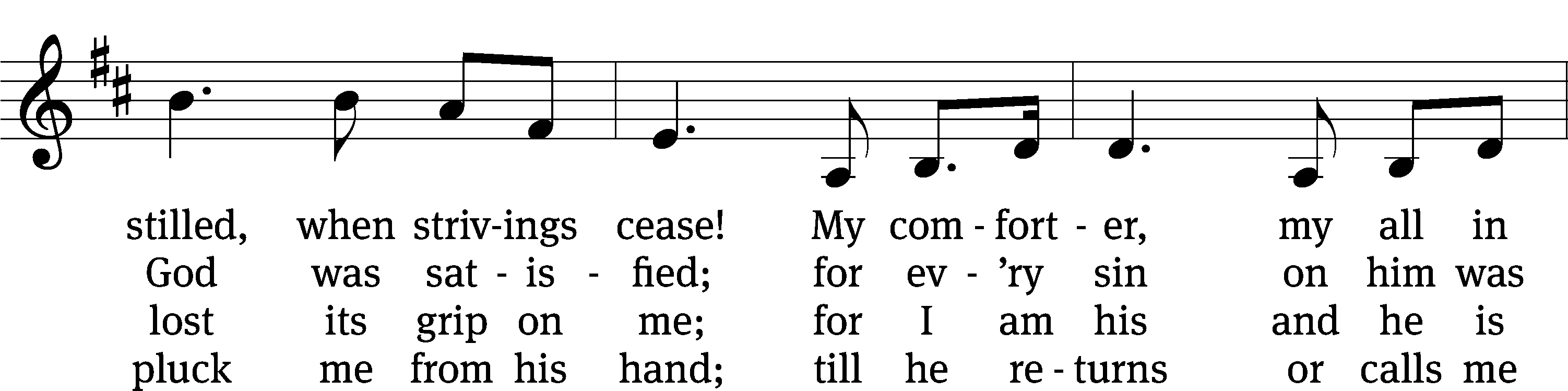
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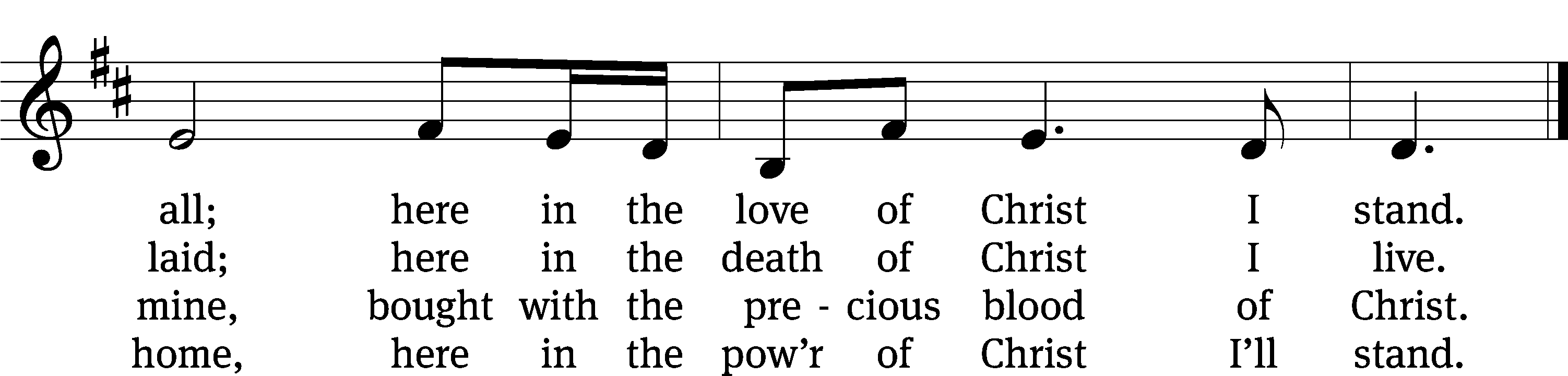






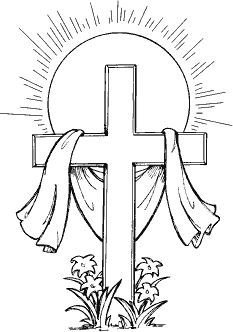




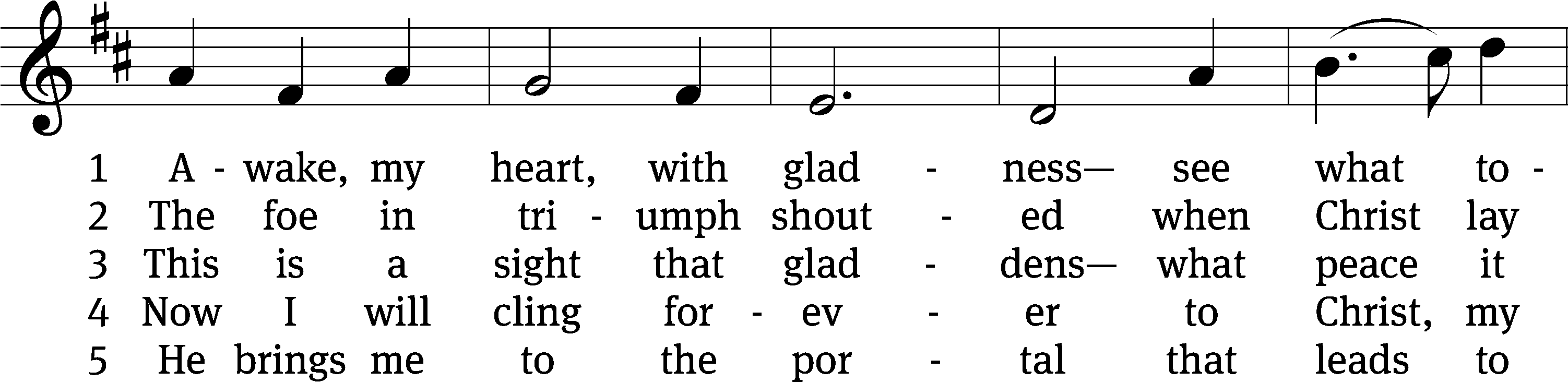


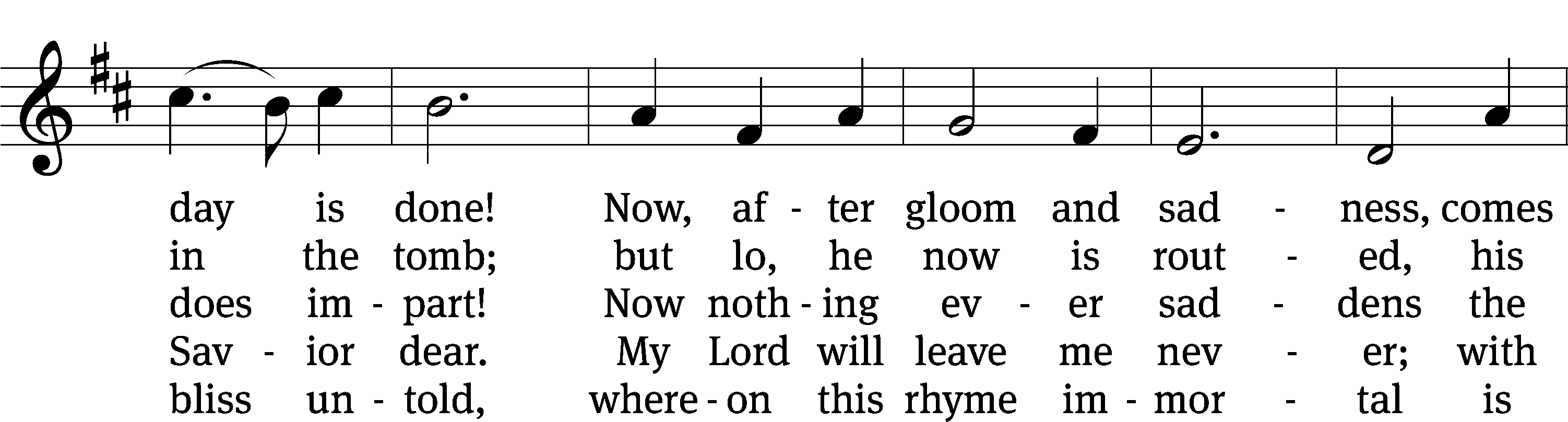
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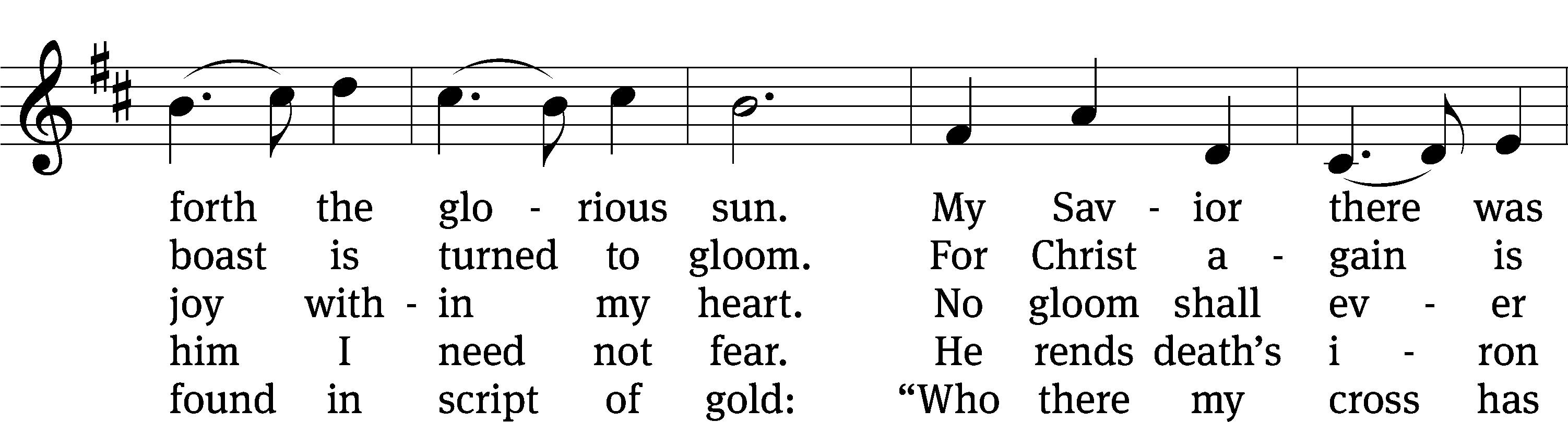
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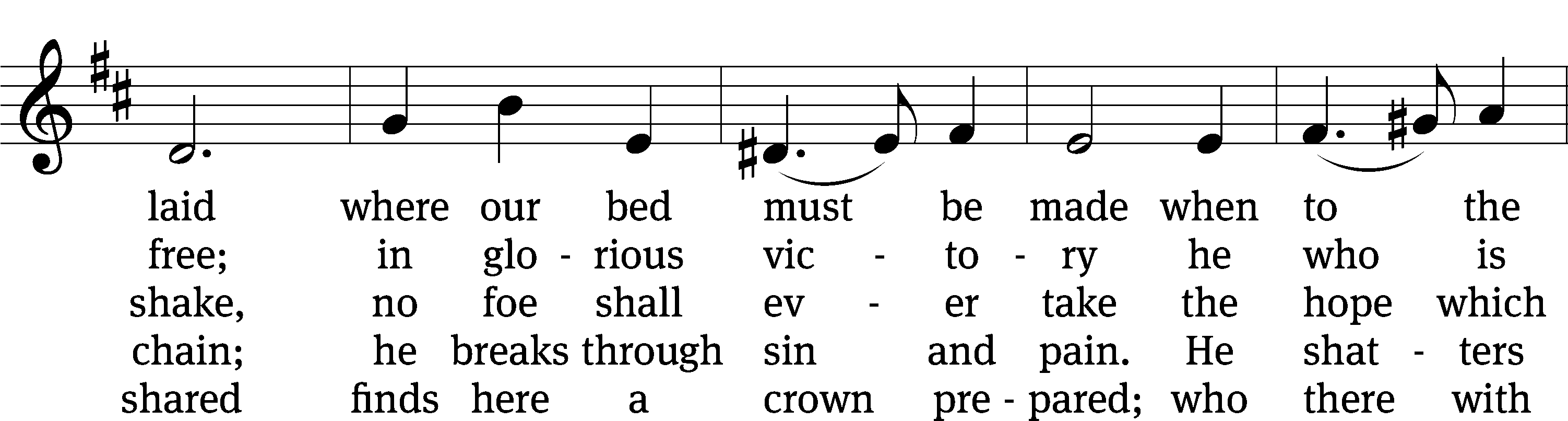


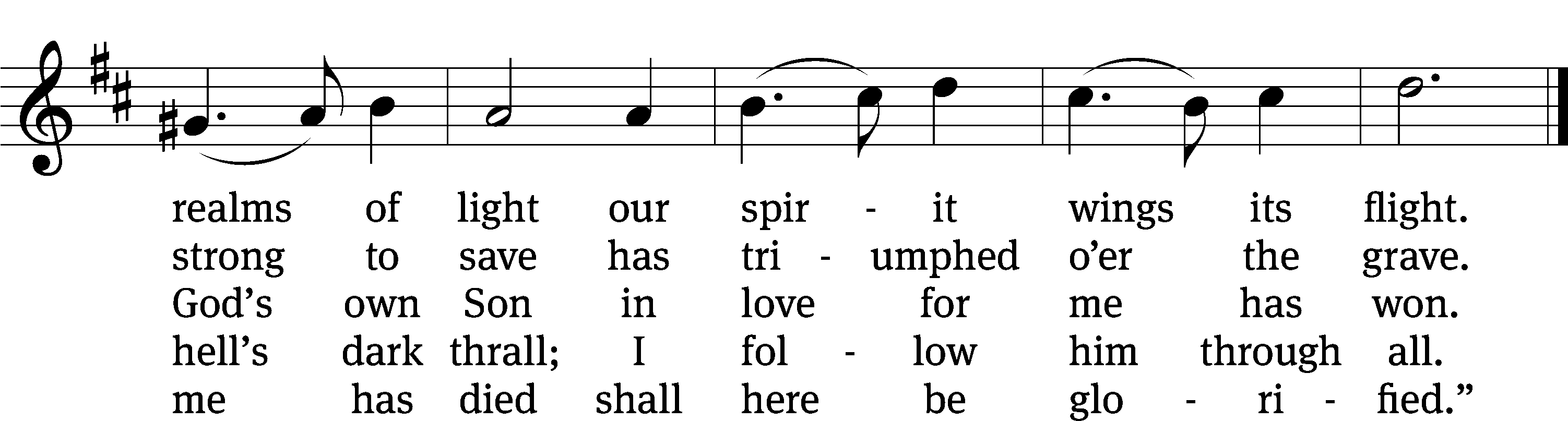
**443 Awake, My Heart, with Gladness** *CW 443*







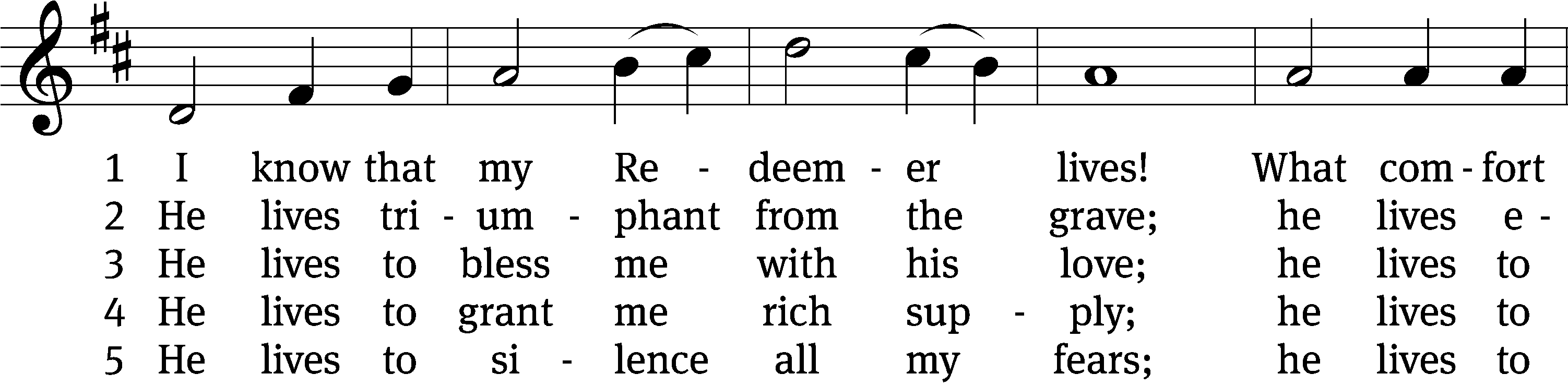


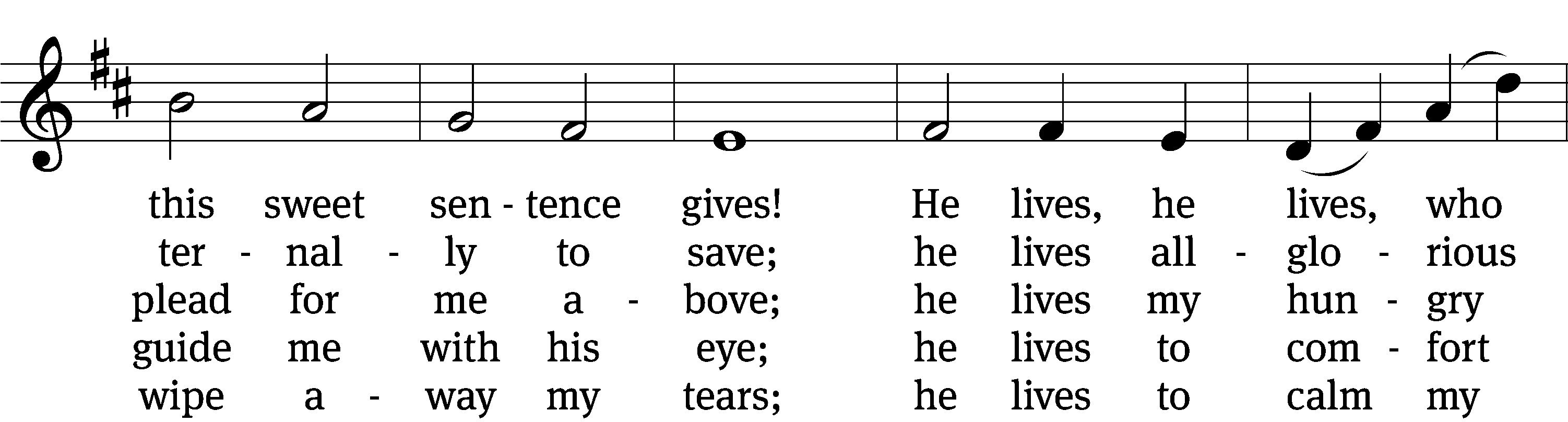


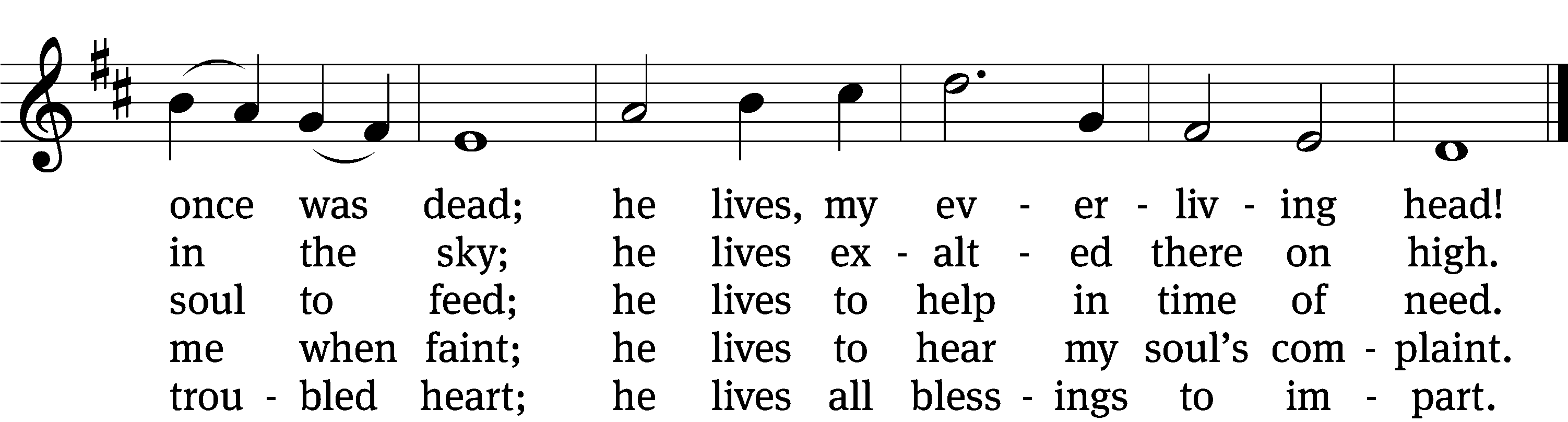
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**The Fifth Lesson for Easter Compiled from the Gospels**

**441 I Know That My Redeemer Lives** *CW 441 sts. 1–5*







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**Sermon John 20:11-18**

**“His FIRST STEPS Led Him Out of a Tomb”**

**PLEASE STAND, IF YOU ARE ABLE**

**Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,**

**maker of heaven and earth,**

**of all that is,**

**seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,**

**eternally begotten of the Father,**

**God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,**

**begotten, not made,**

**of one being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,**

**was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,**

**and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.**

**He suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,**

**and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the Lord, the giver of life,**

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,**

**who in unity with the Father and the Son**  
**is worshiped and glorified,**

**who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead**

**and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**PLEASE BE SEATED**

**Offertory**

**PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE**

**Easter Prayer**

O Lord God, our strength, our song, and our salvation, you fulfilled your promises by the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, from the dead.

**Thanks be to God! You give us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

In your compassion you sent Christ, the Good Shepherd, who laid down his life to rescue the lost.

**Drive out all doubt and gloom that we may delight in your glorious triumph.**

Lift our eyes heavenward to see him who lives to make intercession for the saints, and grant us confidence in the greatness of his power. Keep before us the vision of your redeemed people standing before your throne and singing the song of victory:

**Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive wisdom and power and honor and glory and praise.**

Make us instruments of your peace as we bring the good news of hope and new life to those around us. Guide us in the use of all that you have entrusted to us: our time, our talents, and our treasures.

**Risen Lord, live in us that we may live for you.**

Merciful Lord Jesus, grant healing to the sick, and strengthen the faith of the suffering and the dying. Assure them of your abiding presence, and comfort them with the hope of eternal life.

Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

***Silent prayer.***

Gracious Father, you have restored to us the joy of your salvation. With happy hearts, we come before you and say:

**Alleluia! Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

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

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

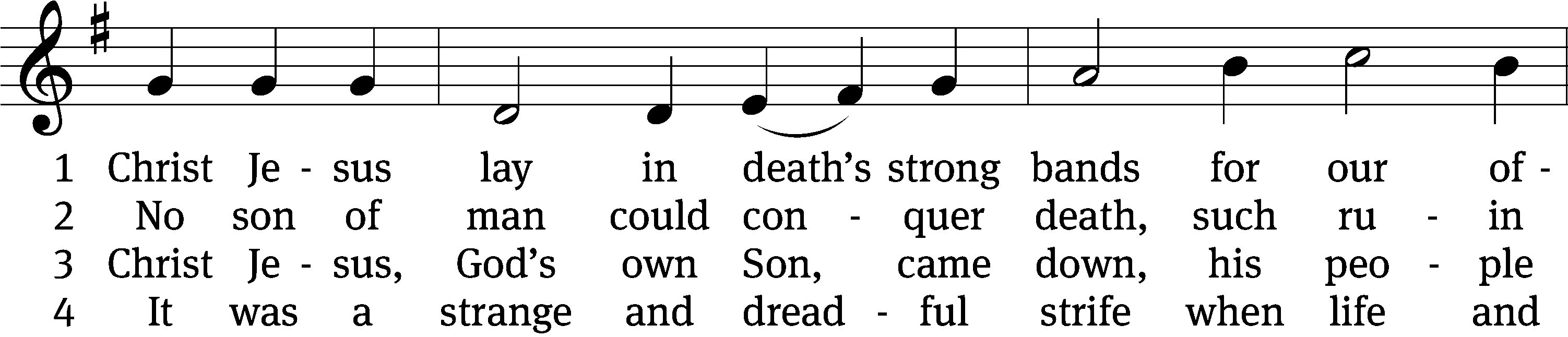
The peace of the Lord be with you always.

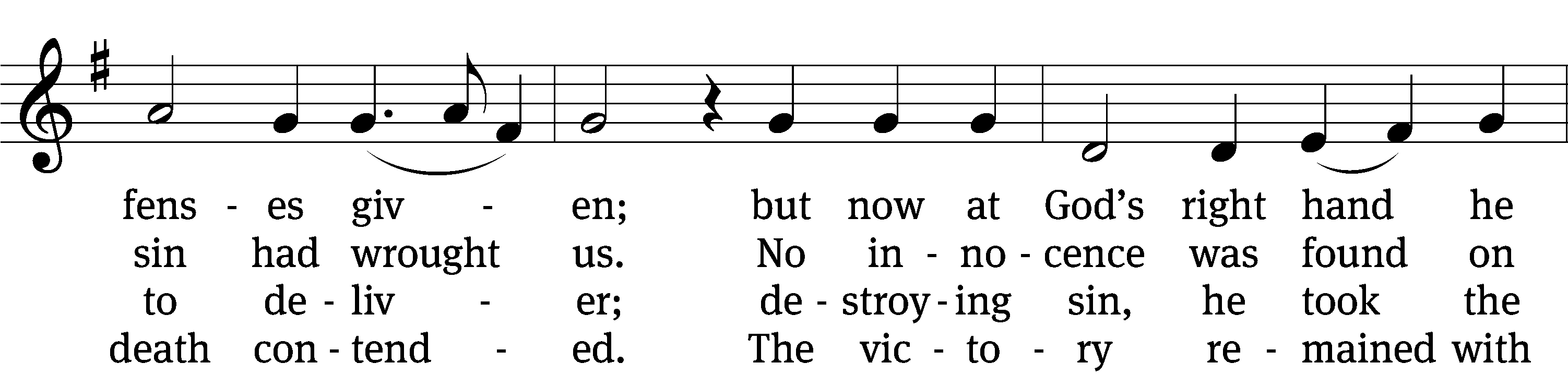
**Amen.**

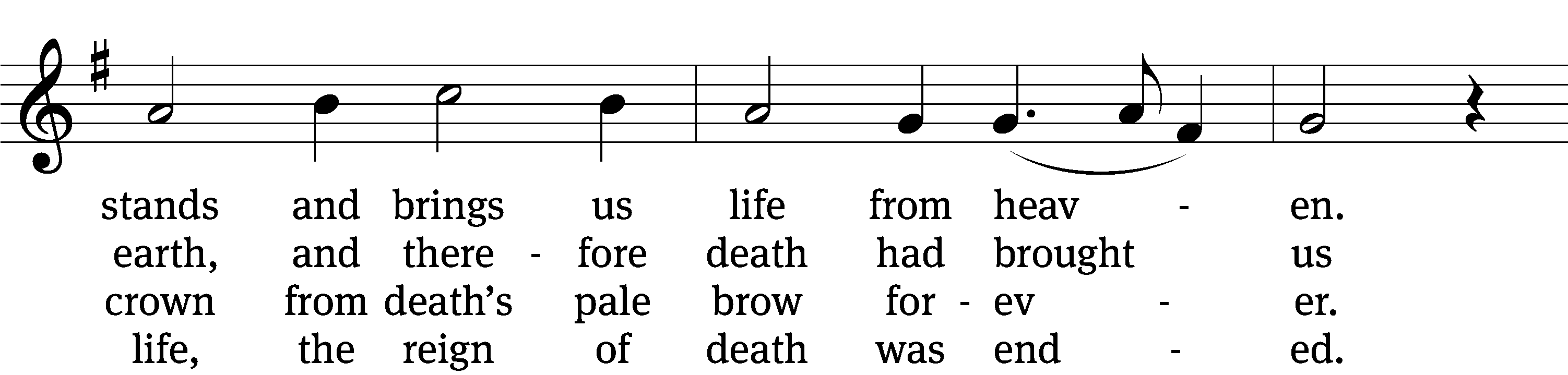
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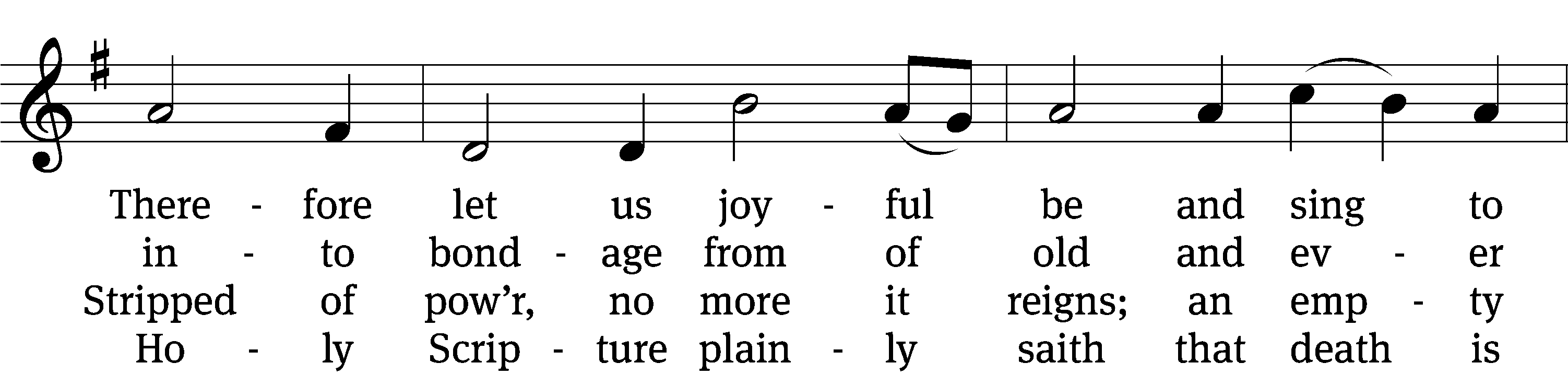
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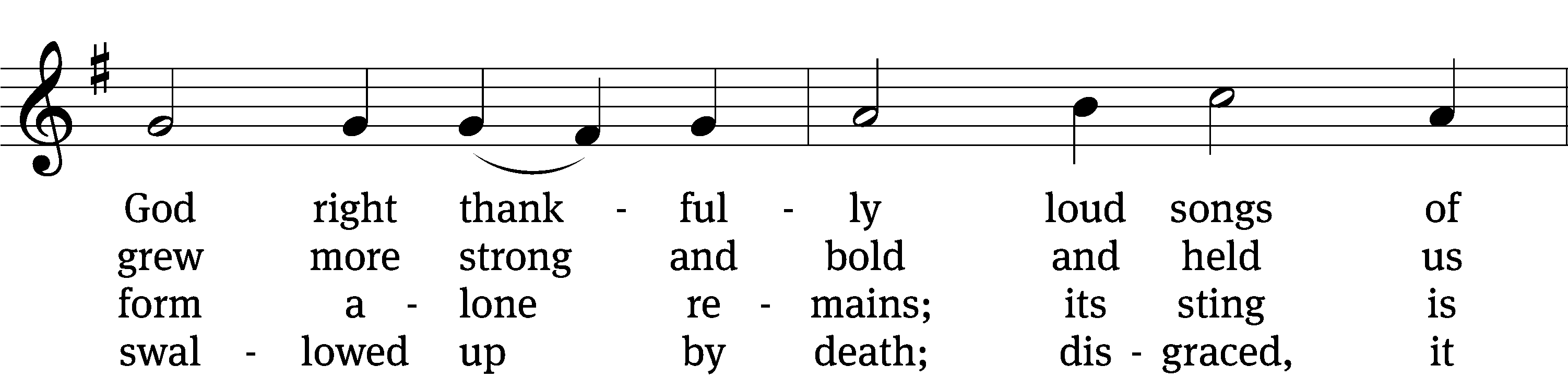
**440 Christ Jesus Lay in Death’s Strong Bands** *CW 440*

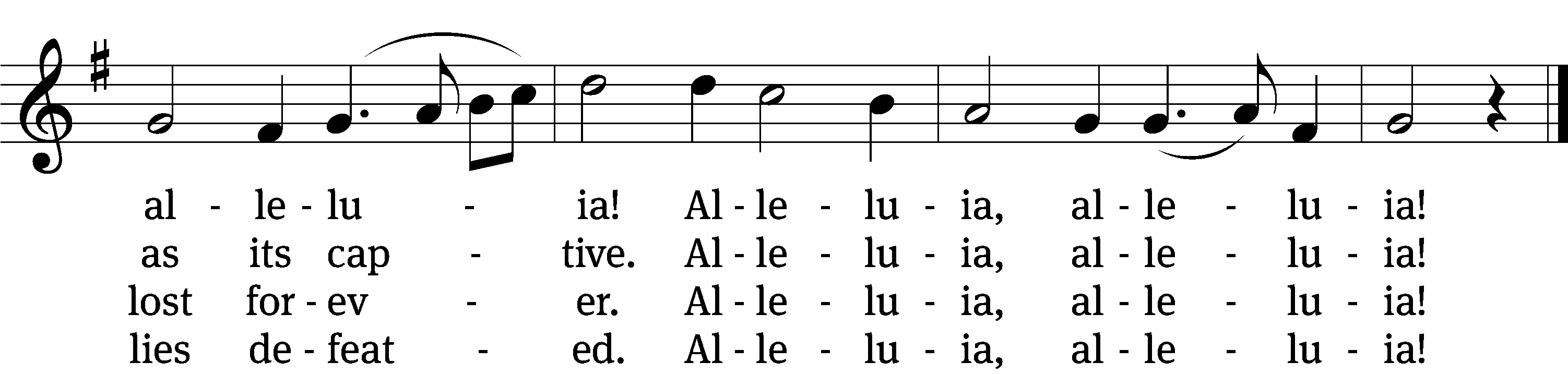












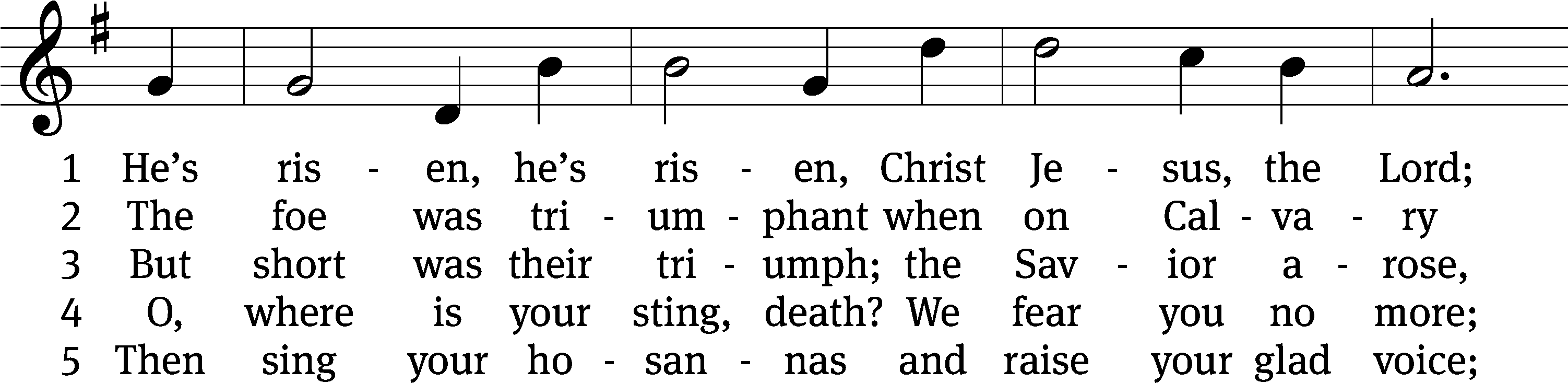
5 Here the true Paschal Lamb we see,  
    whom God so freely gave us;  
he died on the accursèd tree—  
    so strong his love—to save us.  
See, his blood now marks our door;  
faith points to it; death passes o’er,  
    and Satan cannot harm us.  
    Alleluia, alleluia!

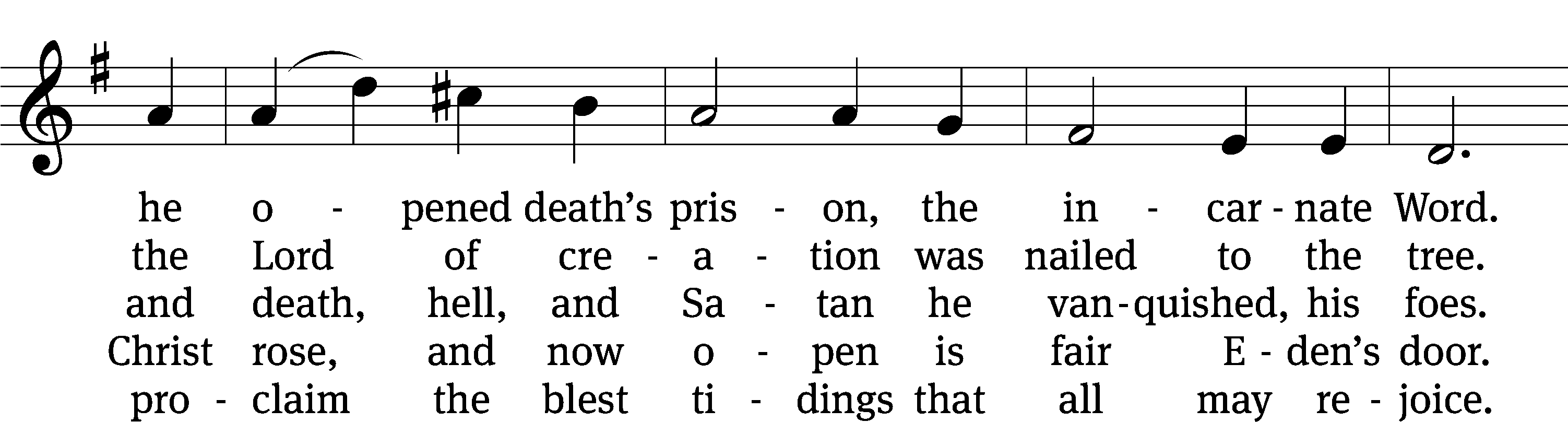
6 So let us keep the festival  
    to which the Lord invites us;  
Christ is himself the joy of all,  
    the sun that warms and lights us.  
Now his grace to us imparts  
eternal sunshine to our hearts;  
    the night of sin is ended.  
    Alleluia, alleluia!

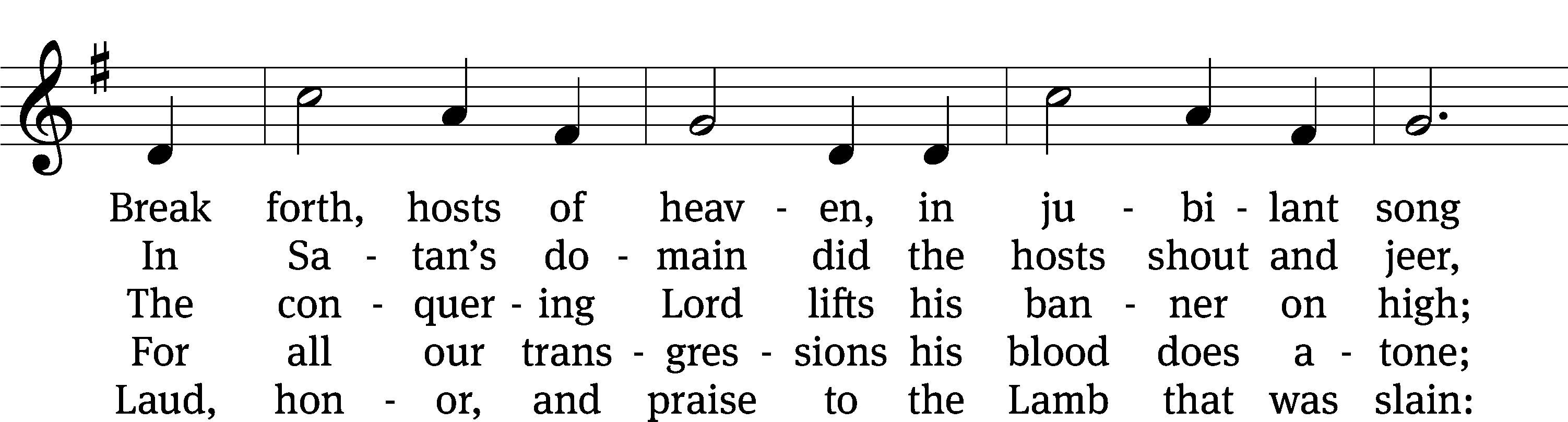
7 Then let us feast this Easter Day  
    on Christ, the bread of heaven;  
the Word of grace has purged away  
    the old and evil leaven.  
Christ alone our souls will feed;  
he is our meat and drink indeed;  
    faith lives upon no other!  
    Alleluia, alleluia!

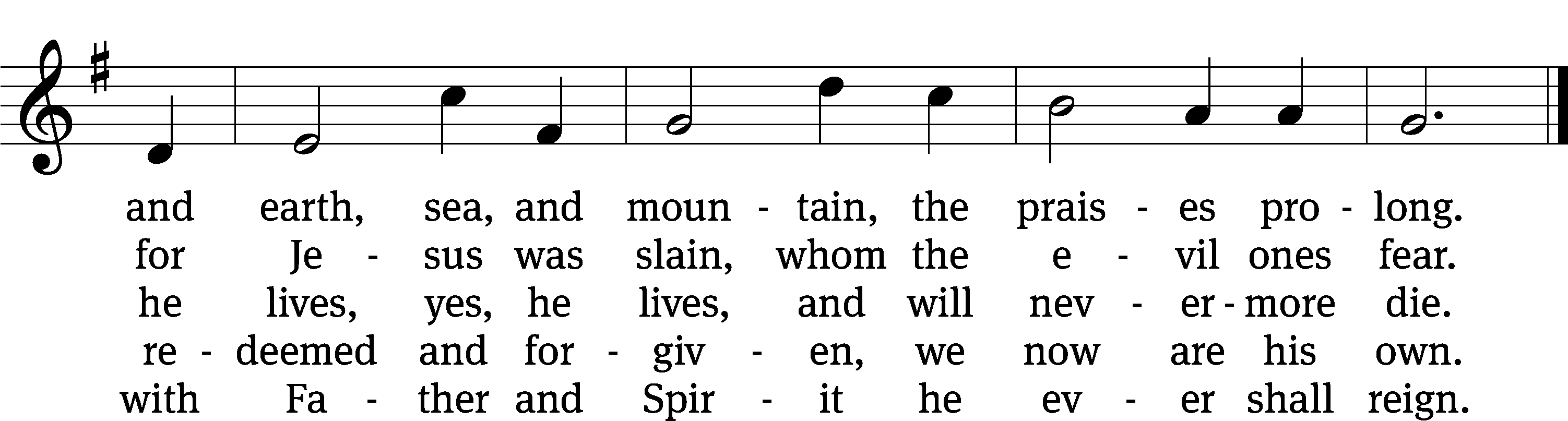
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**445 He’s Risen, He’s Risen** *CW 445*









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**PLEASE STAND, IF YOU ARE ABLE**

**Closing Responses**

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

**his mercy endures forever.**

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

**we proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.**

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**Blessing**

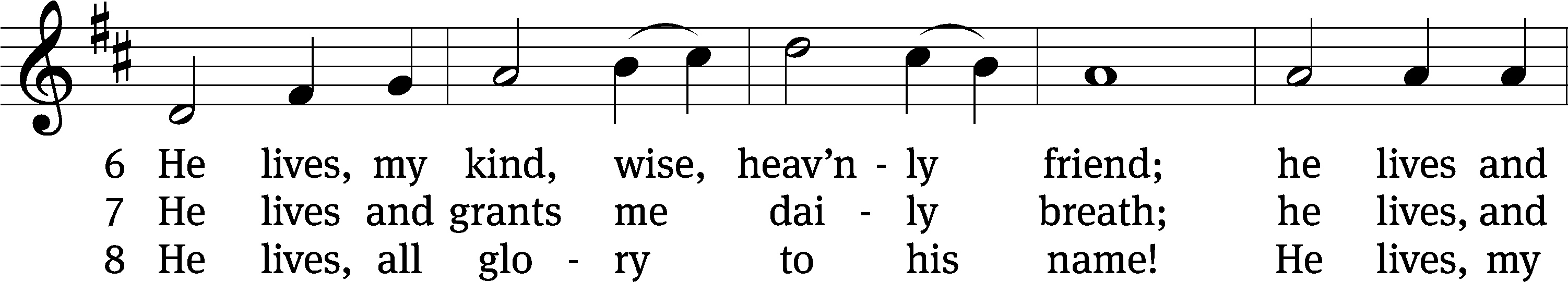
The Lord bless you and keep you.

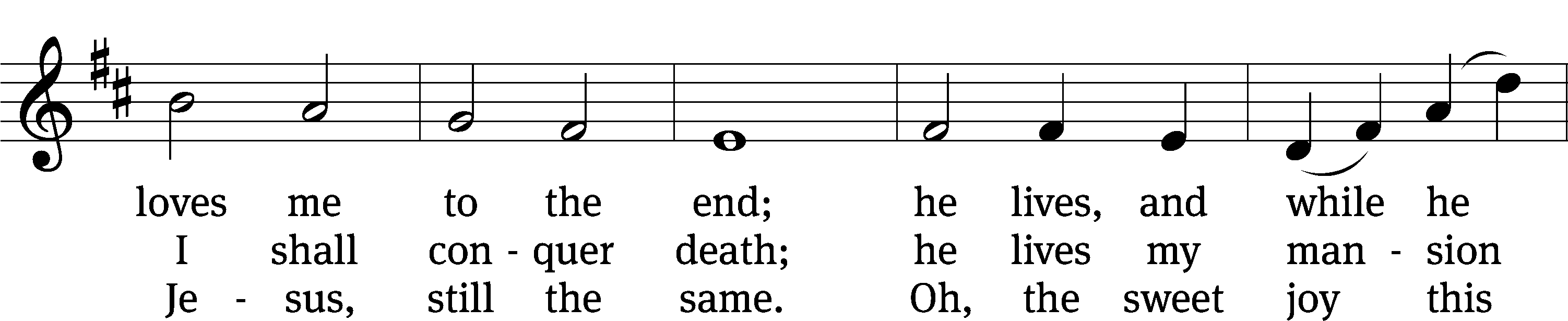
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

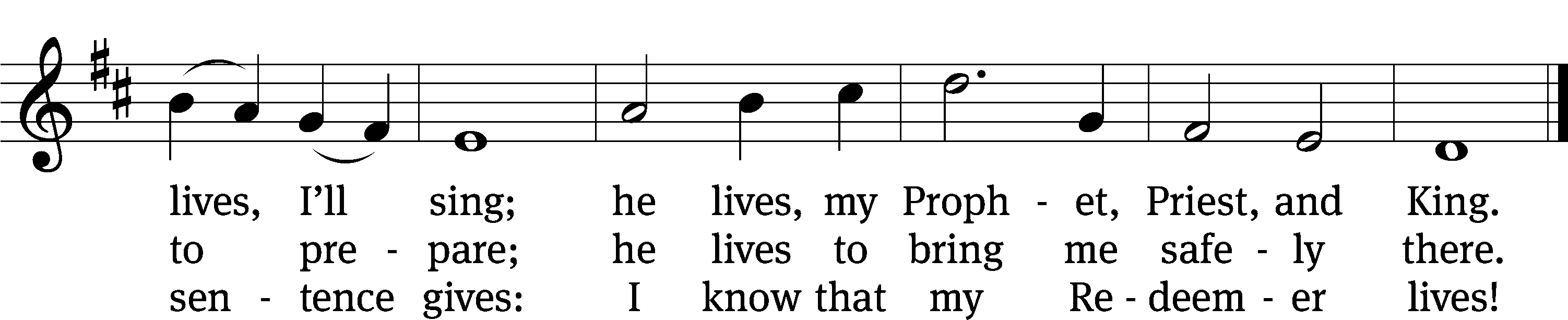
The Lord look on you with favor and T give you peace.

**Amen.**

**441 I Know That My Redeemer Lives** *CW 441 sts. 6–8*







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# Serving In Worship

Officiant Pastor Natsis

Organist Marcia Marion Ackling

Choir Director Cynthia Natsis

Accompanist Sarah Hanke

Accompanist Laura Sala

Trumpeter Ken Kirkpatrick

Deacons (6:30) Dave Stevenson and Jim Tice

Deacons (9:30) Steve Hoeft and Jeff Neuburger

Ushers (6:30) Dal;e Finkbeiner and Mark Finkbeiner

Ushers (9:30) Al Whitley

Altar Guild Jean Fiegel and Ann Latowski

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