O HOLY NIGHT

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- *A contemporized reworking of the traditional Christmas piece.*

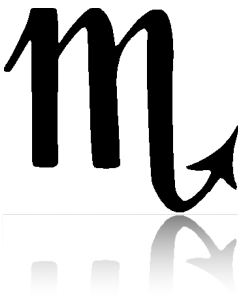


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Peace,

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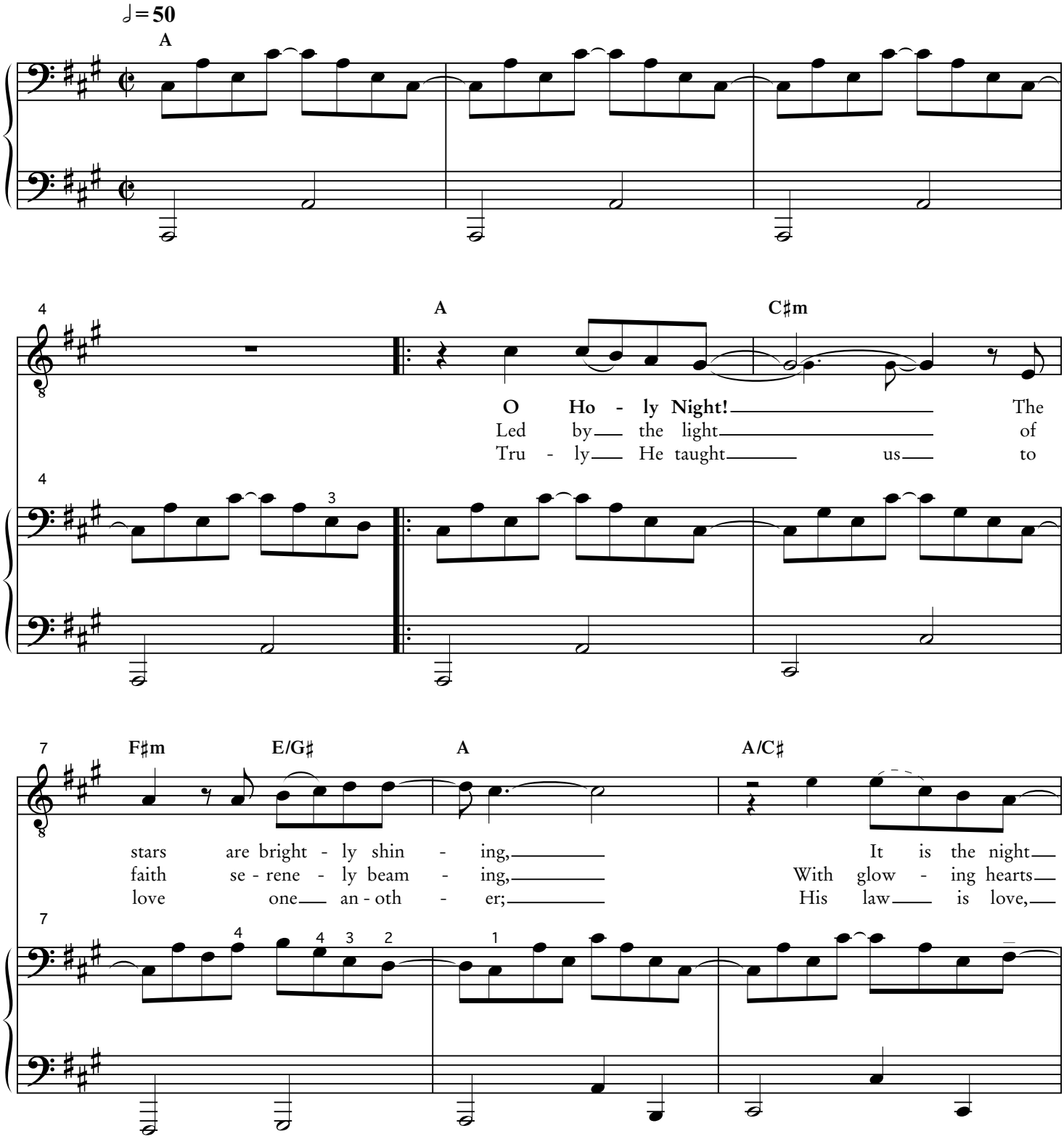
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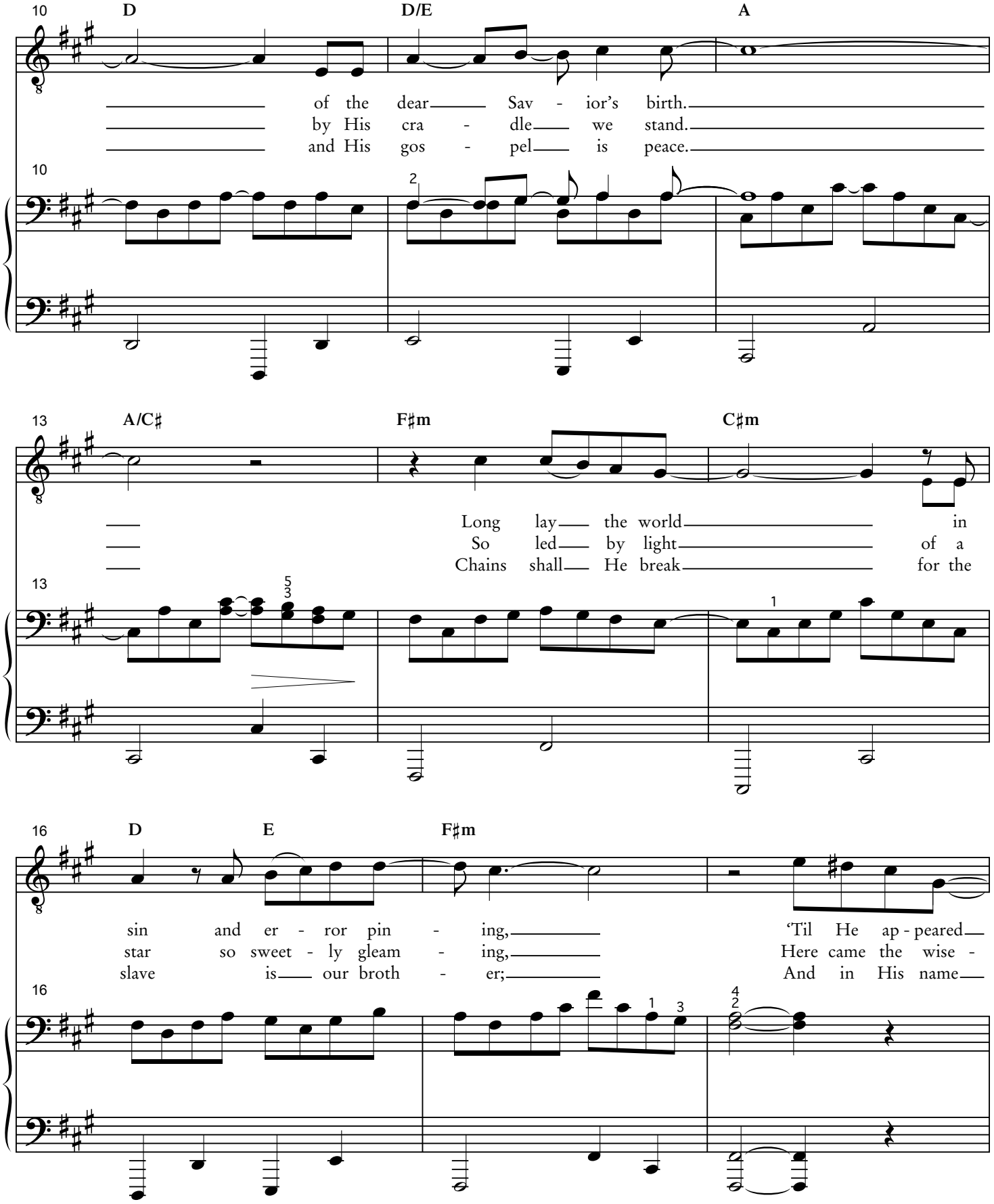
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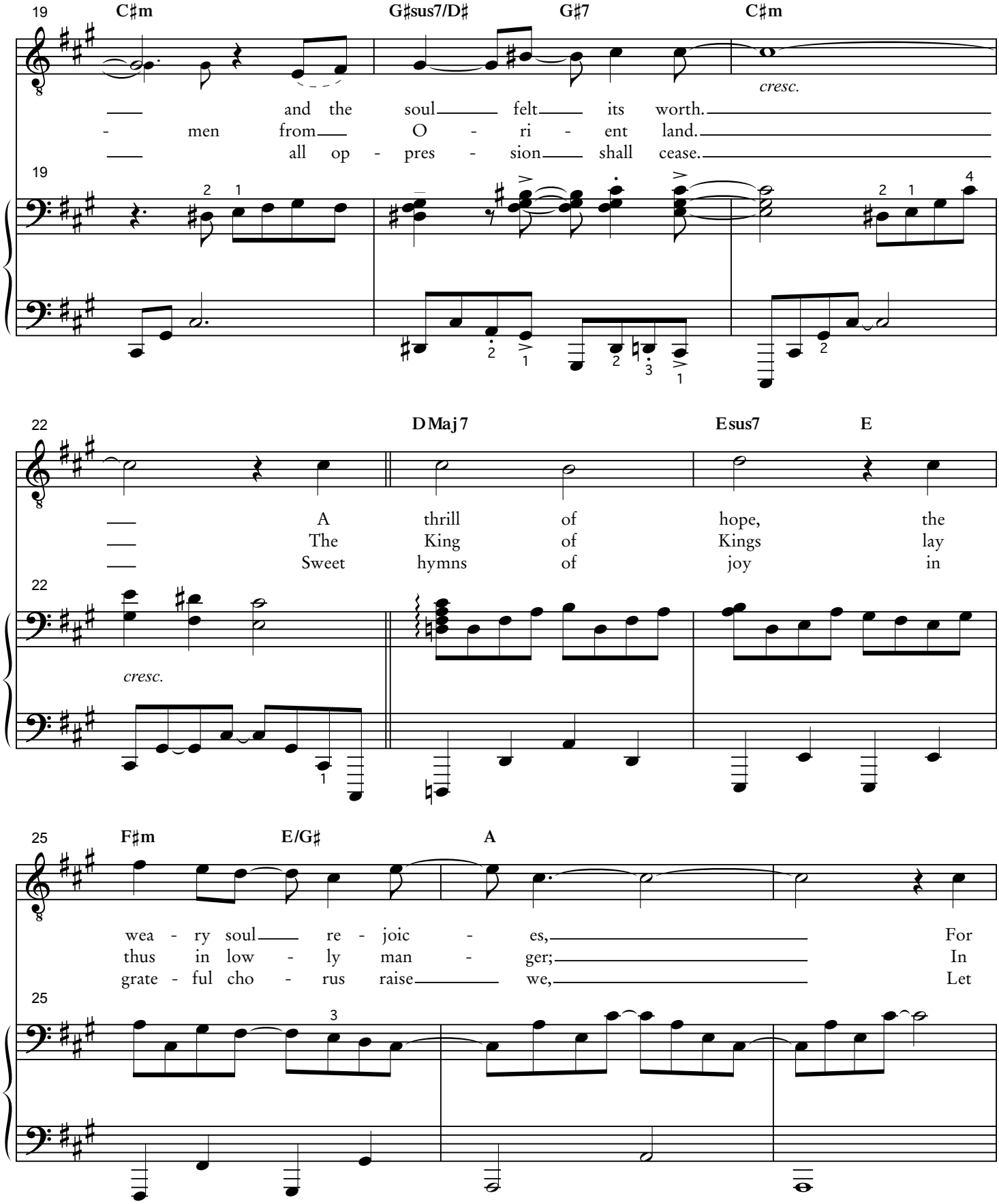
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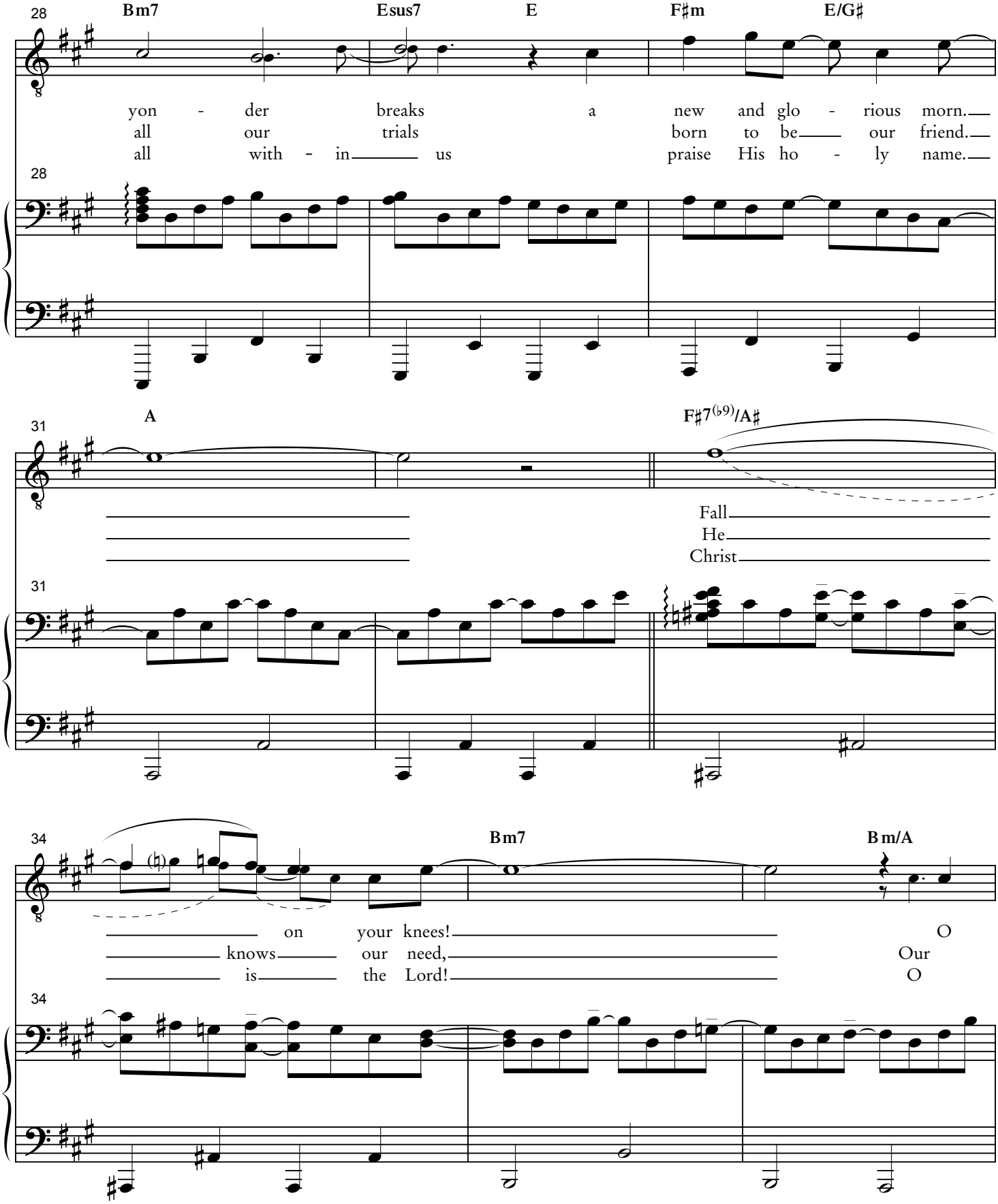
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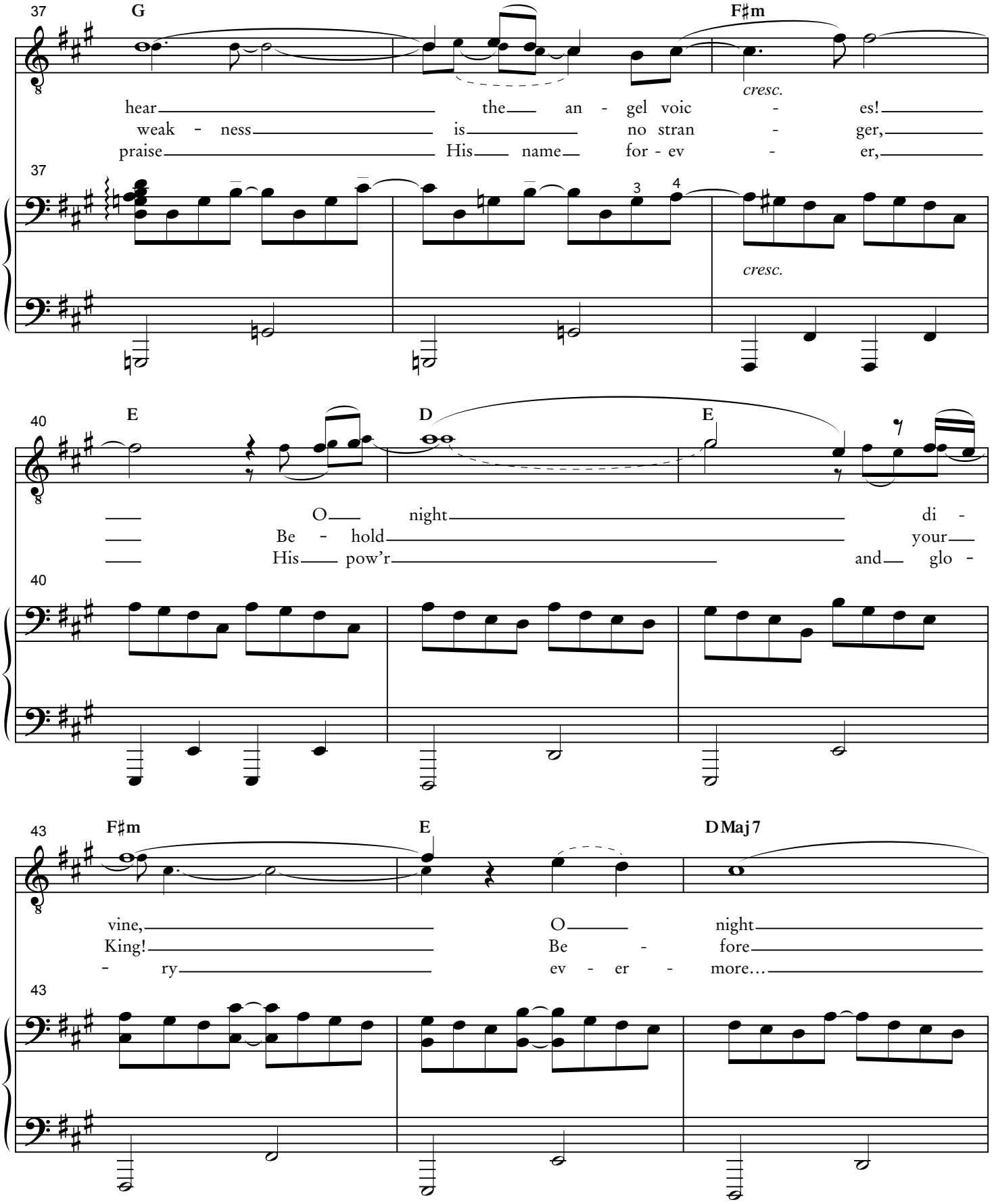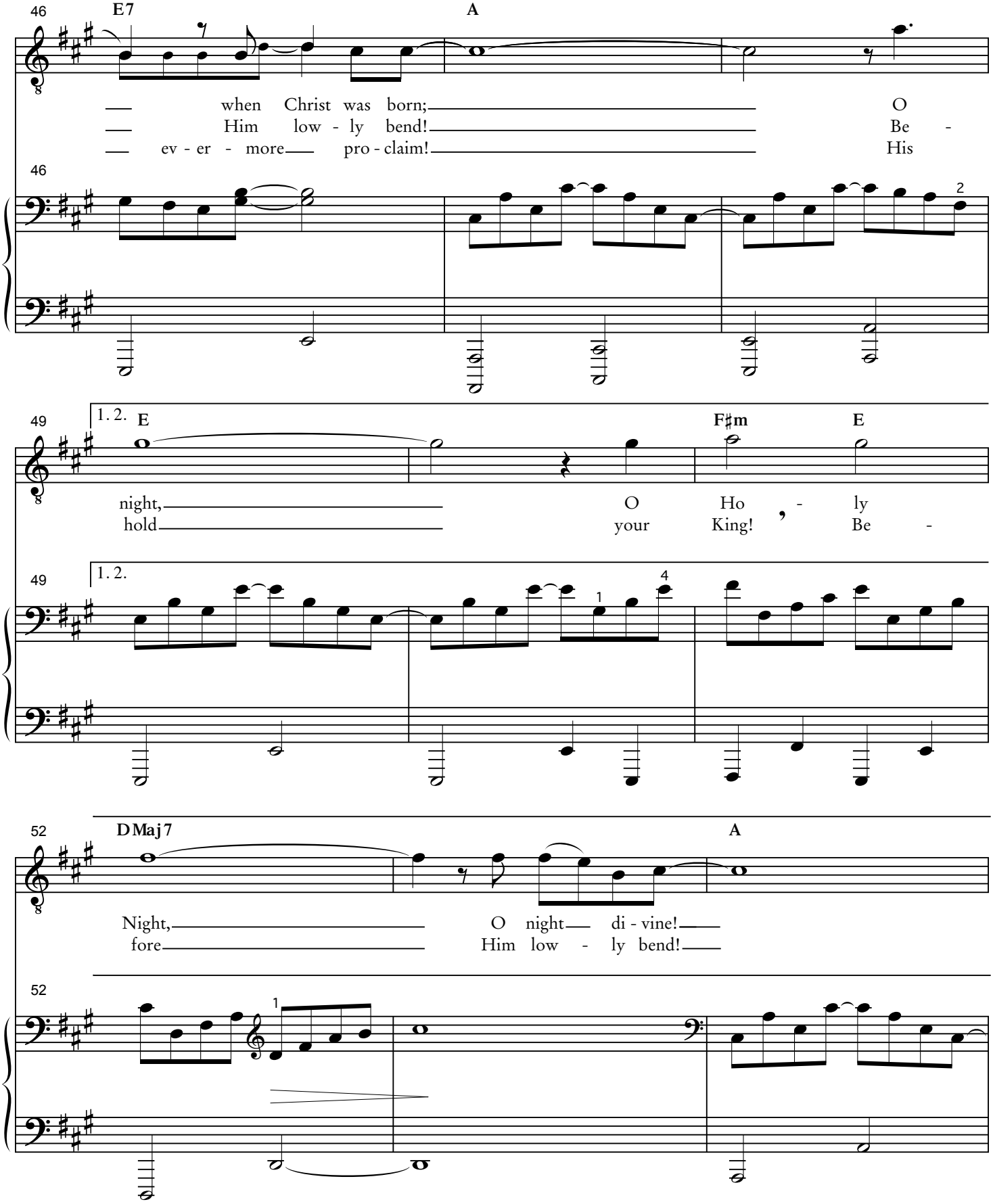


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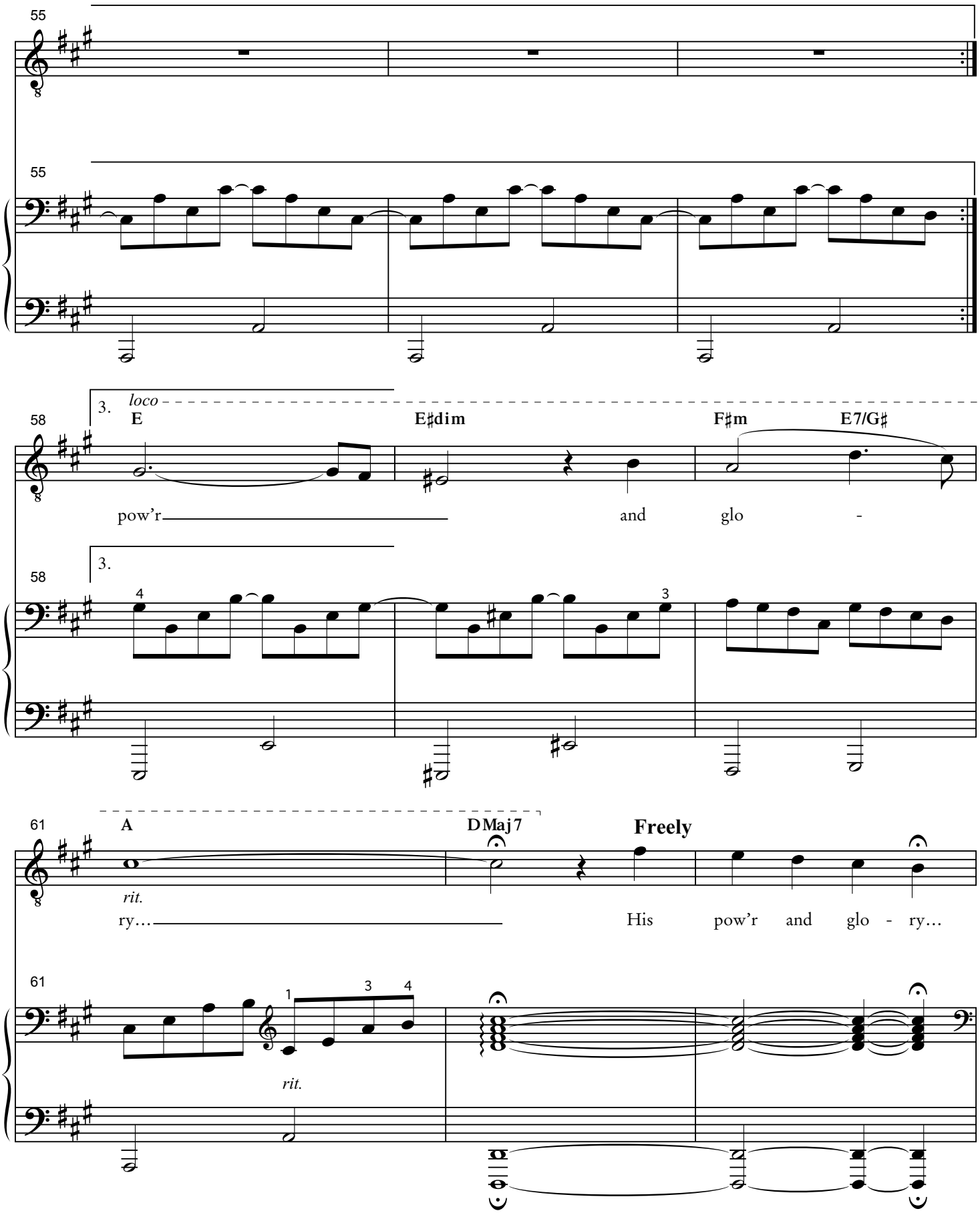

10
D
D/E
A
of the dear Sav - ior's birth.
by His cra - dle we stand.
and His gos - pel is peace.
13
A/C♯
F♯m
C♯m
Long lay the world in
So led by light of a
Chains shall He break for the
16
D
E
F♯m
sin and er - ror pin - ing,
star so sweet - ly gleam - ing,
slave is our broth - er;
'Til He ap - peared
Here came the wise -
And in His name

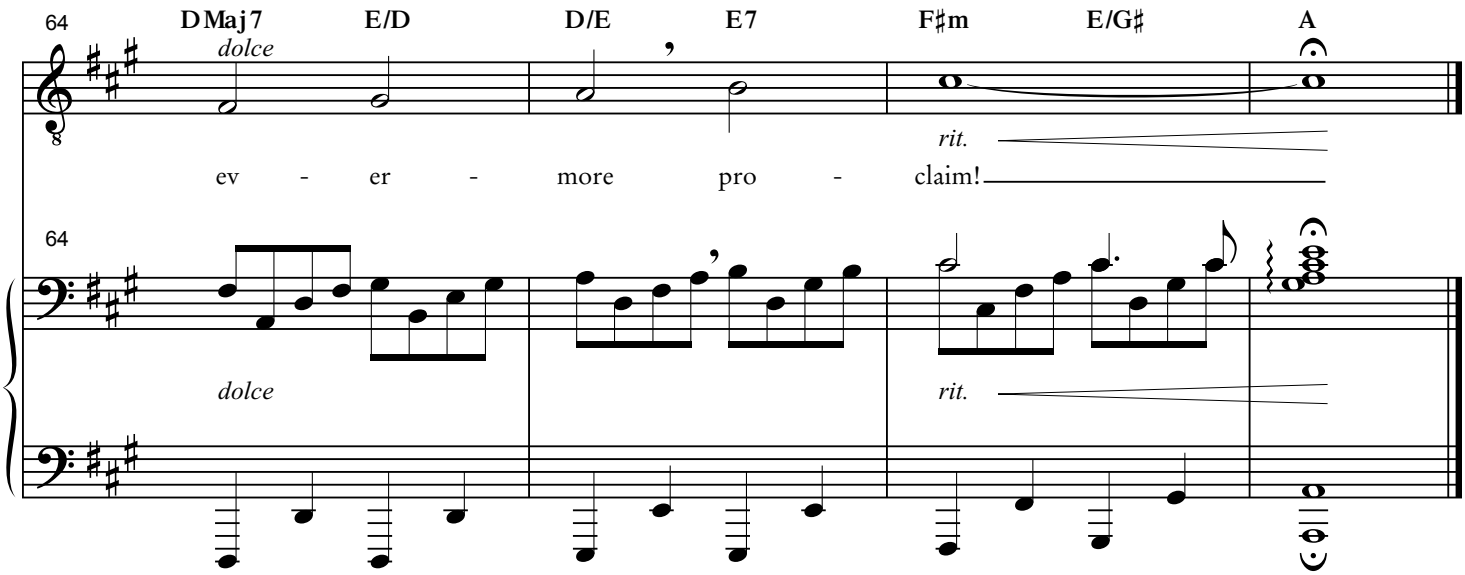

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C♯m
G♯sus7/D♯
G♯7
C♯m
cresc.
and the soul felt its worth.
men from O - ri - ent land.
all op - pres - sion shall cease.
22
DMaj7
Esus7
E
A thrill of hope, the
The King of Kings lay
Sweet hymns of joy in
cresc.
25
F♯m
E/G♯
A
wea - ry soul re - joic - es, For
thus in low - ly man - ger; In
grate - ful cho - rus raise we, Let


28
Bm7
Esus7
E
F♯m
E/G♯
yon - der breaks a new and glo - rious morn.
all our trials born to be our friend.
all with - in us praise His ho - ly name.
31
A
F♯7(♭9)/A♯
Fall
He
Christ
34
Bm7
Bm/A
on your knees! O
knows our need, Our
is the Lord! O


37
G
F♯m
cresc.
hear the an - gel voic - es!
weak - ness is no stran - ger,
praise His name for - ev - er,
37
3
4
cresc.
40
E
D
E
O night di -
Be - hold your
His pow'r and glo -
40
43
F♯m
E
DMaj7
vine, O night
King! Be - fore
- ry ev - er - more…
43


46
E7
A
when Christ was born;
Him low - ly bend!
ev - er - more pro - claim!
O
Be -
His
49
1. 2.
E
F♯m
E
night,
hold
O Ho - ly
your King! Be -
52
DMaj7
A
Night,
fore
O night di - vine!
Him low - ly bend!


55
55
3.
loco
58
E
E♯dim
F♯m
E7/G♯
pow'r
and
glo
-
3.
58
61
A
DMaj7
Freely
rit.
ry…
His
pow'r
and
glo
-
ry…
61
rit.


64
DMaj7
E/D
D/E
E7
F♯m
E/G♯
A
dolce
rit.
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~ 1st verse ~
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Fall on your knees! O hear the angel voices!
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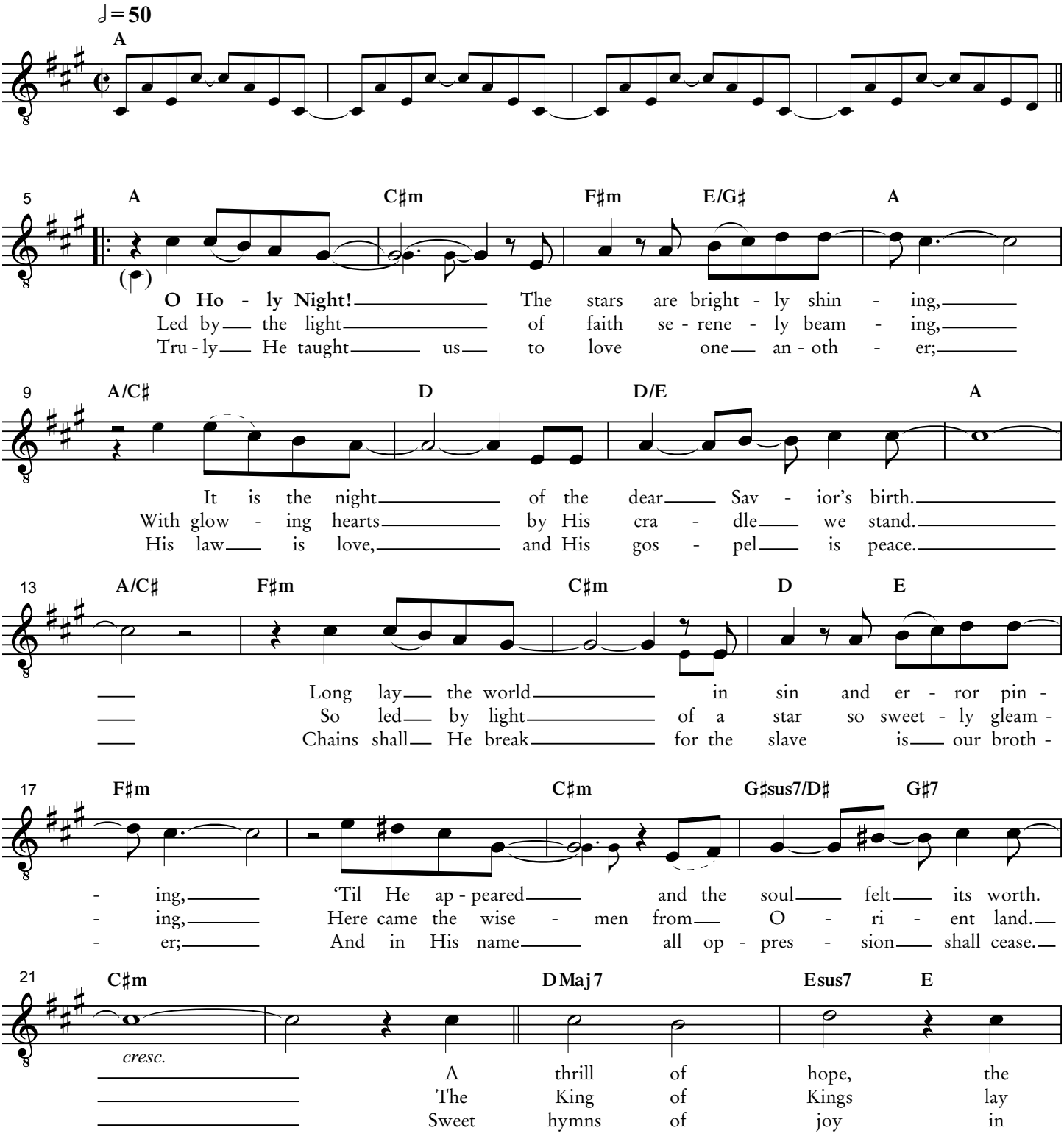
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Chains shall He break for the slave is our brother;
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Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,
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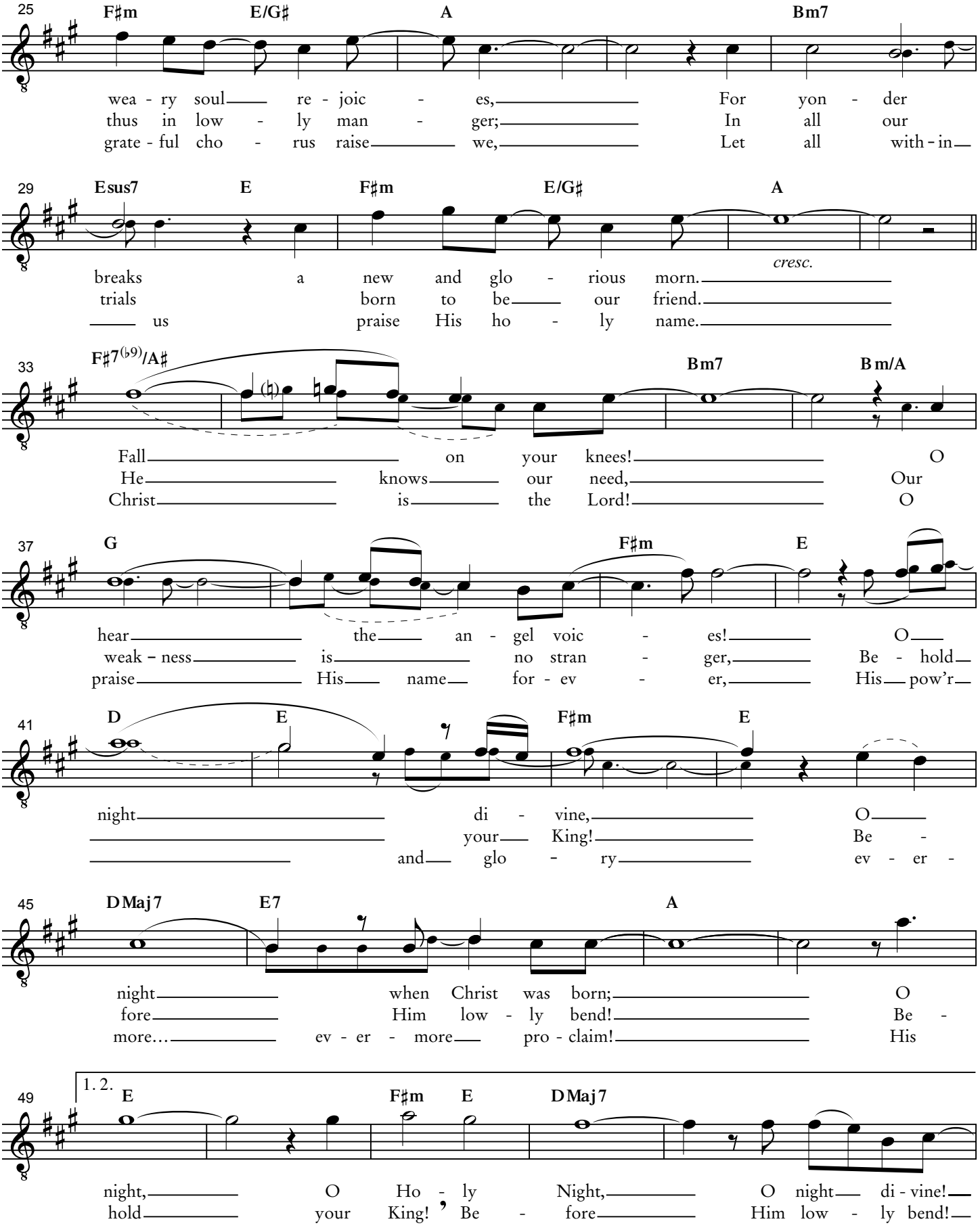
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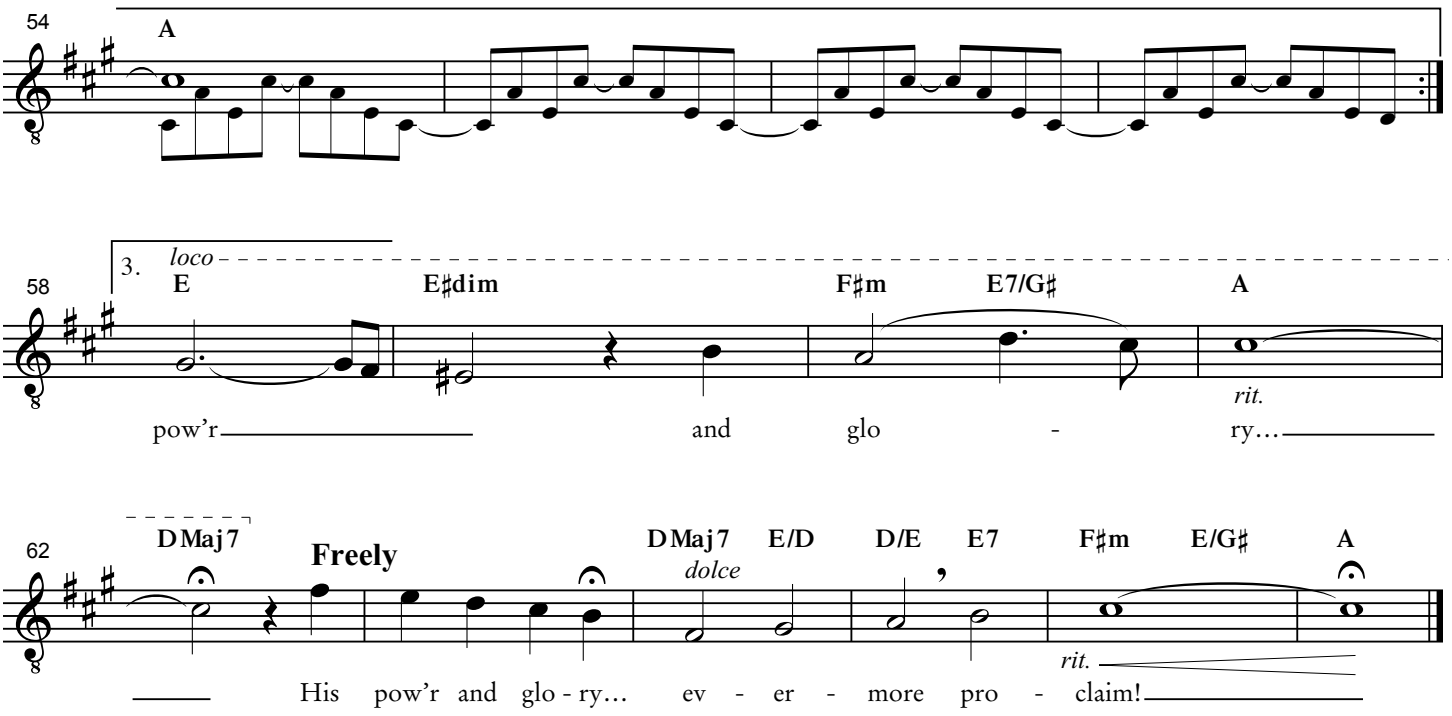
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25
F♯m E/G♯ A Bm7
wea - ry soul re - joic - es, For yon - der
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cresc.
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us praise His ho - ly name.
33
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Fall on your knees! O
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37
G F♯m E
hear the an - gel voic - es! O
weak - ness is no stran - ger, Be - hold
praise His name for - ev - er, His pow'r
41
D E F♯m E
night di - vine, O
your King! Be -
and glo - ry ev - er -
45
DMaj7 E7 A
night when Christ was born; O
fore Him low - ly bend! Be -
more... ev - er - more pro - claim! His
49
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night, O Ho - ly Night, O night di - vine!
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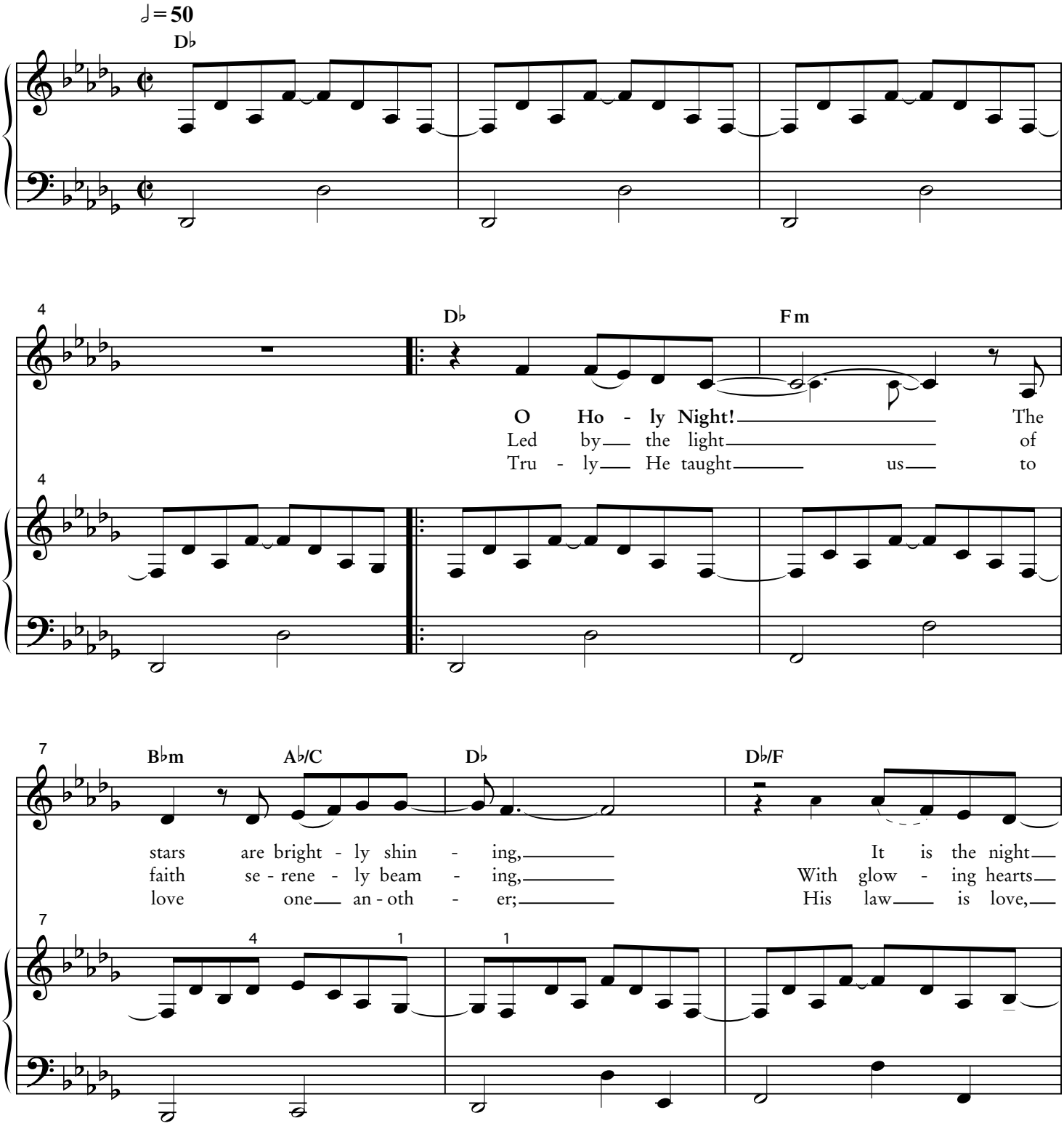
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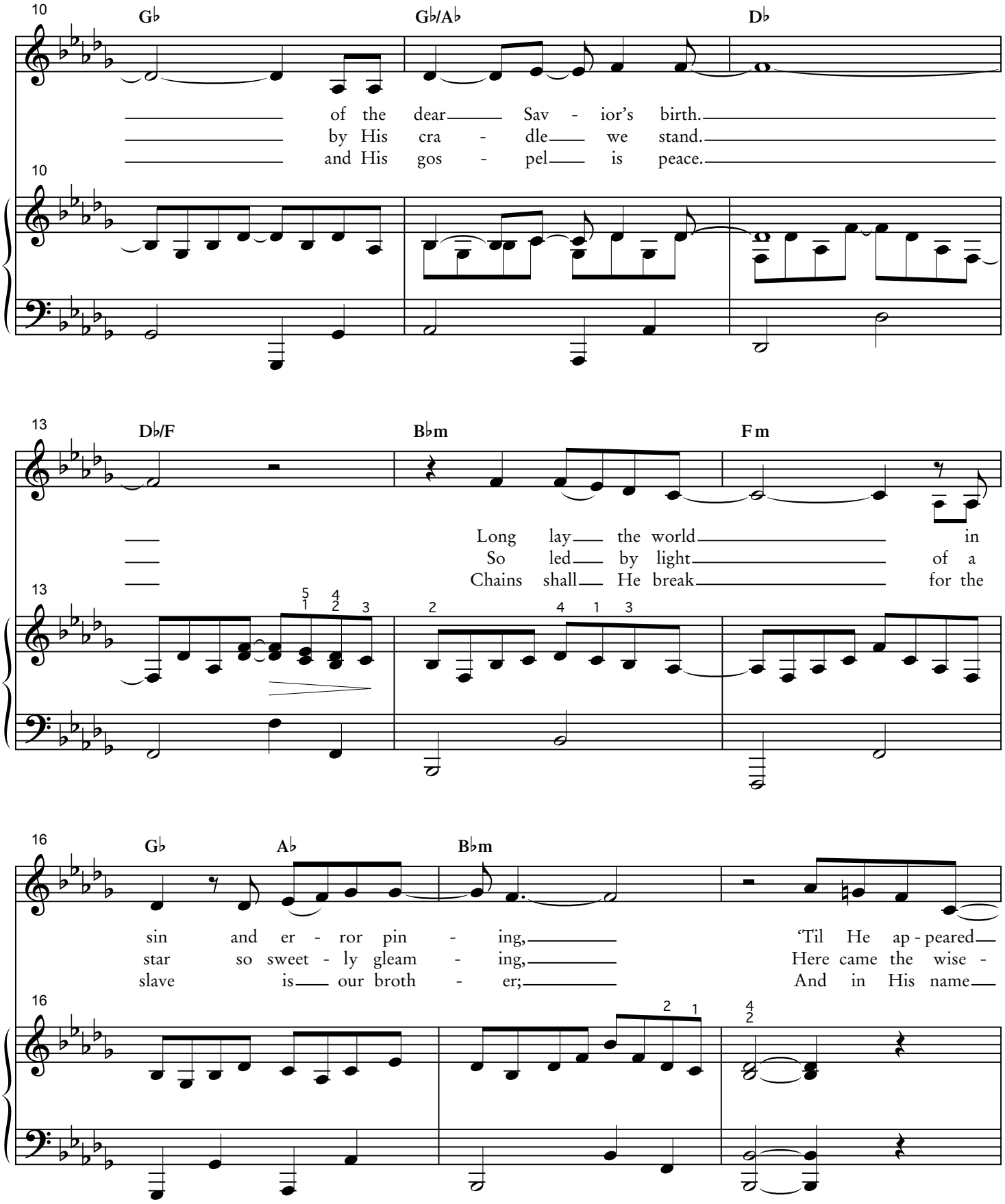
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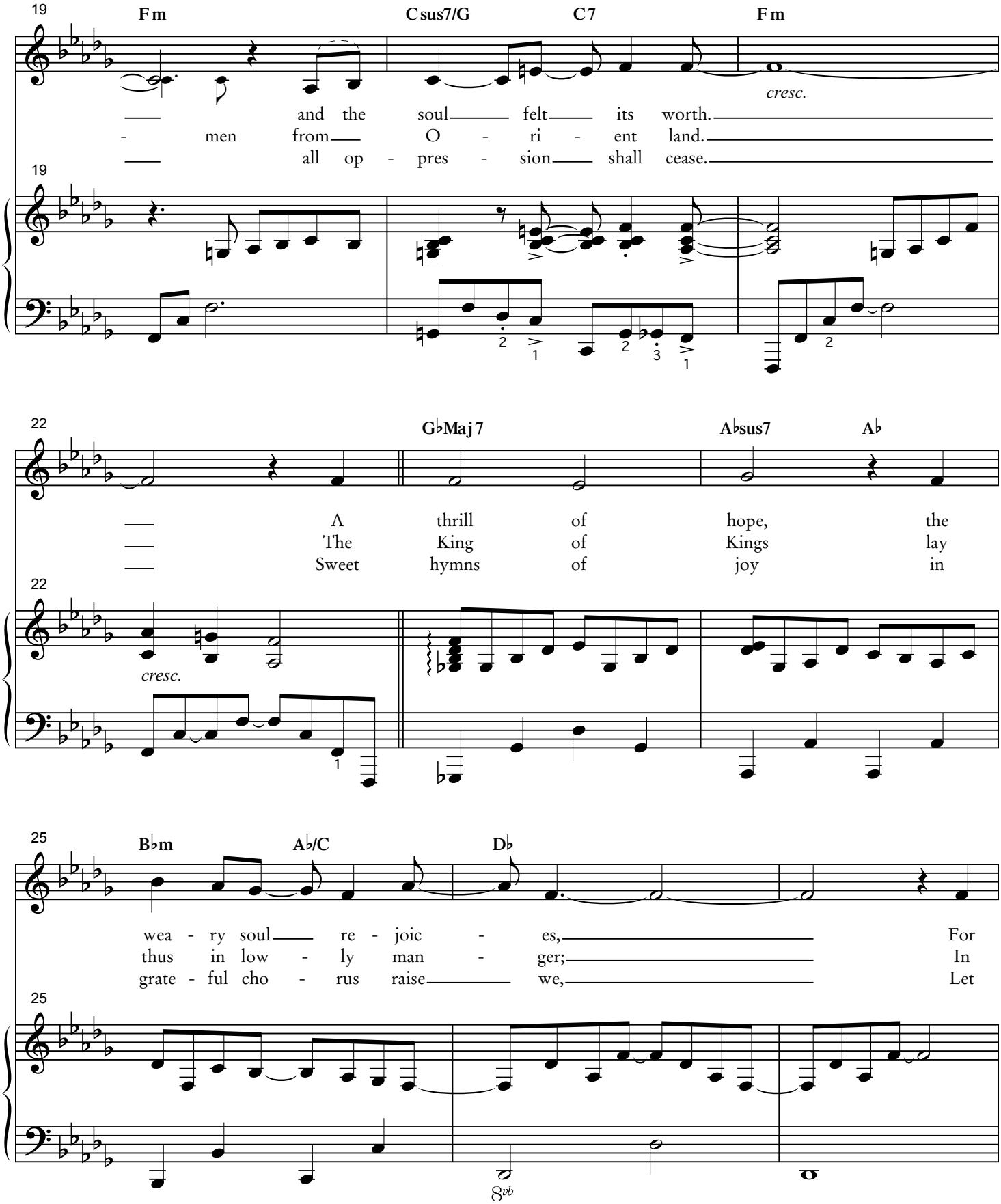
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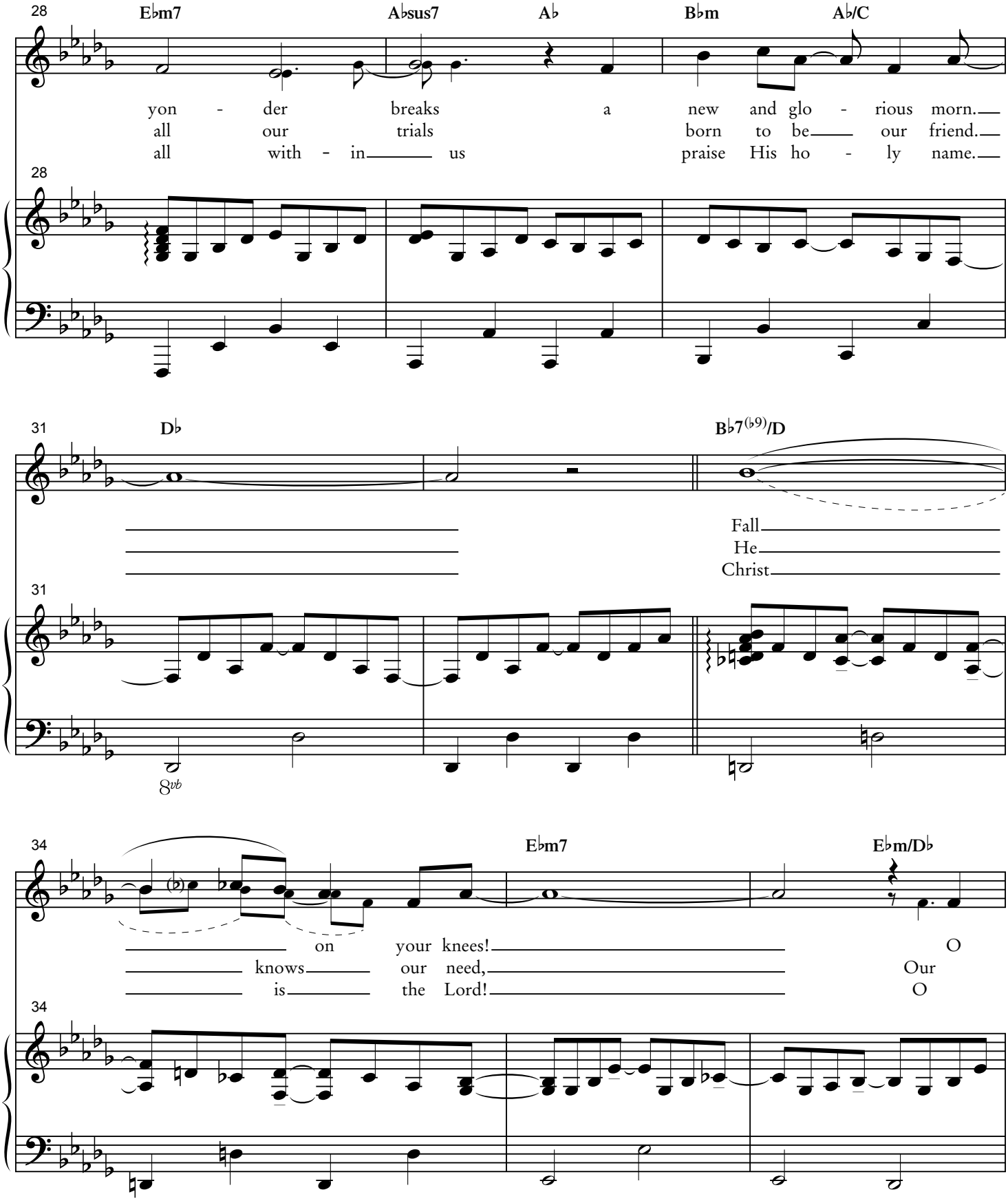
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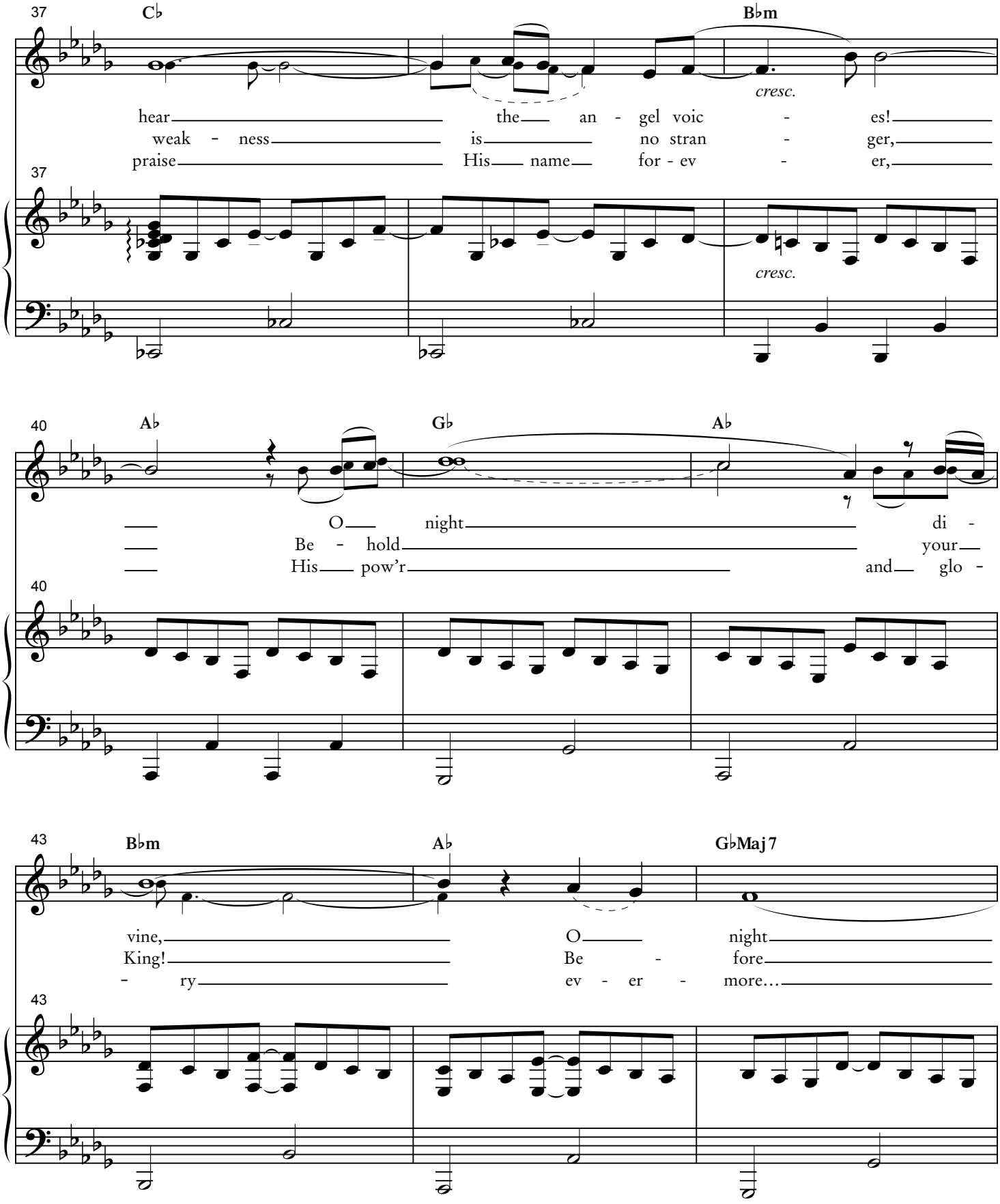


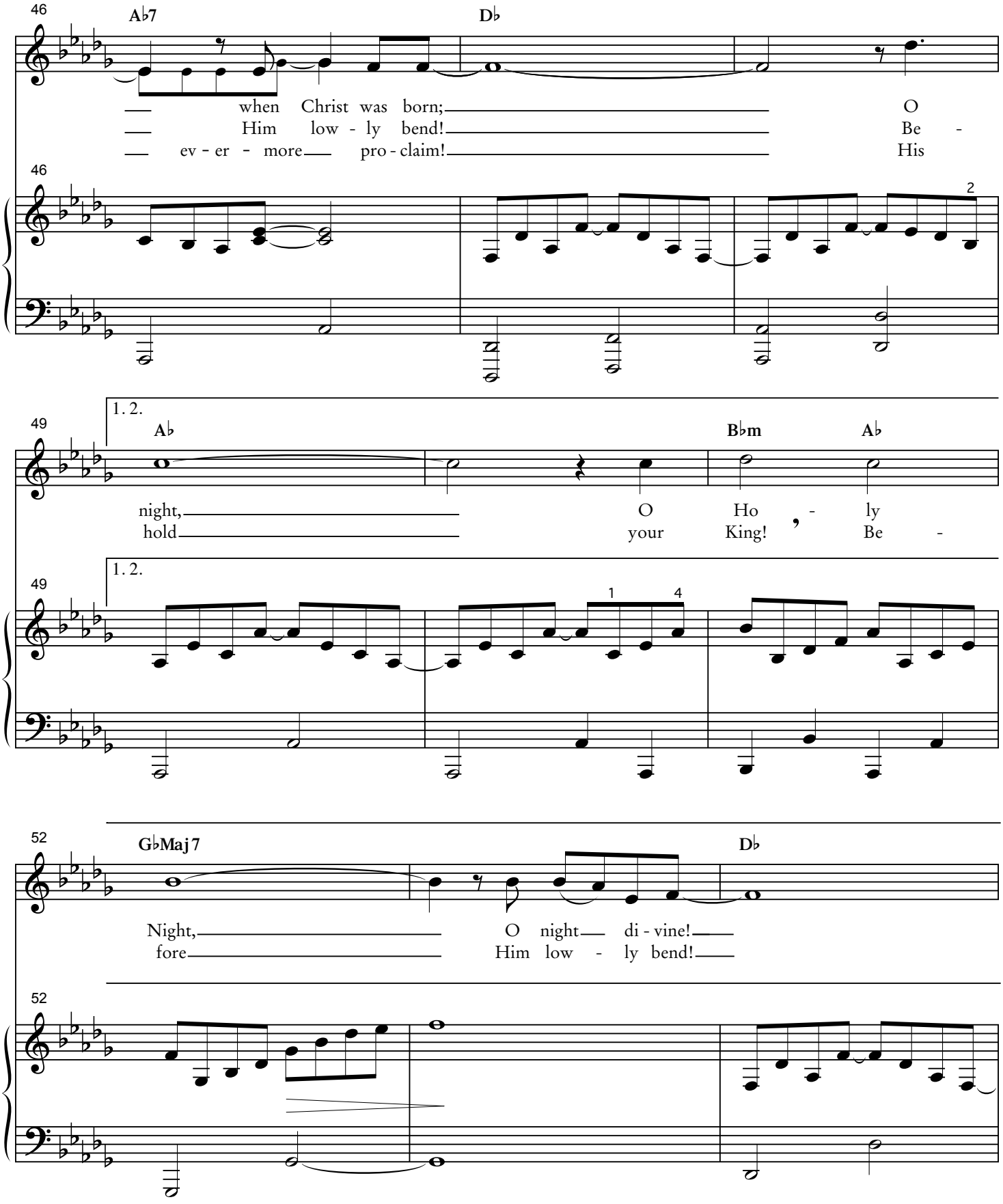
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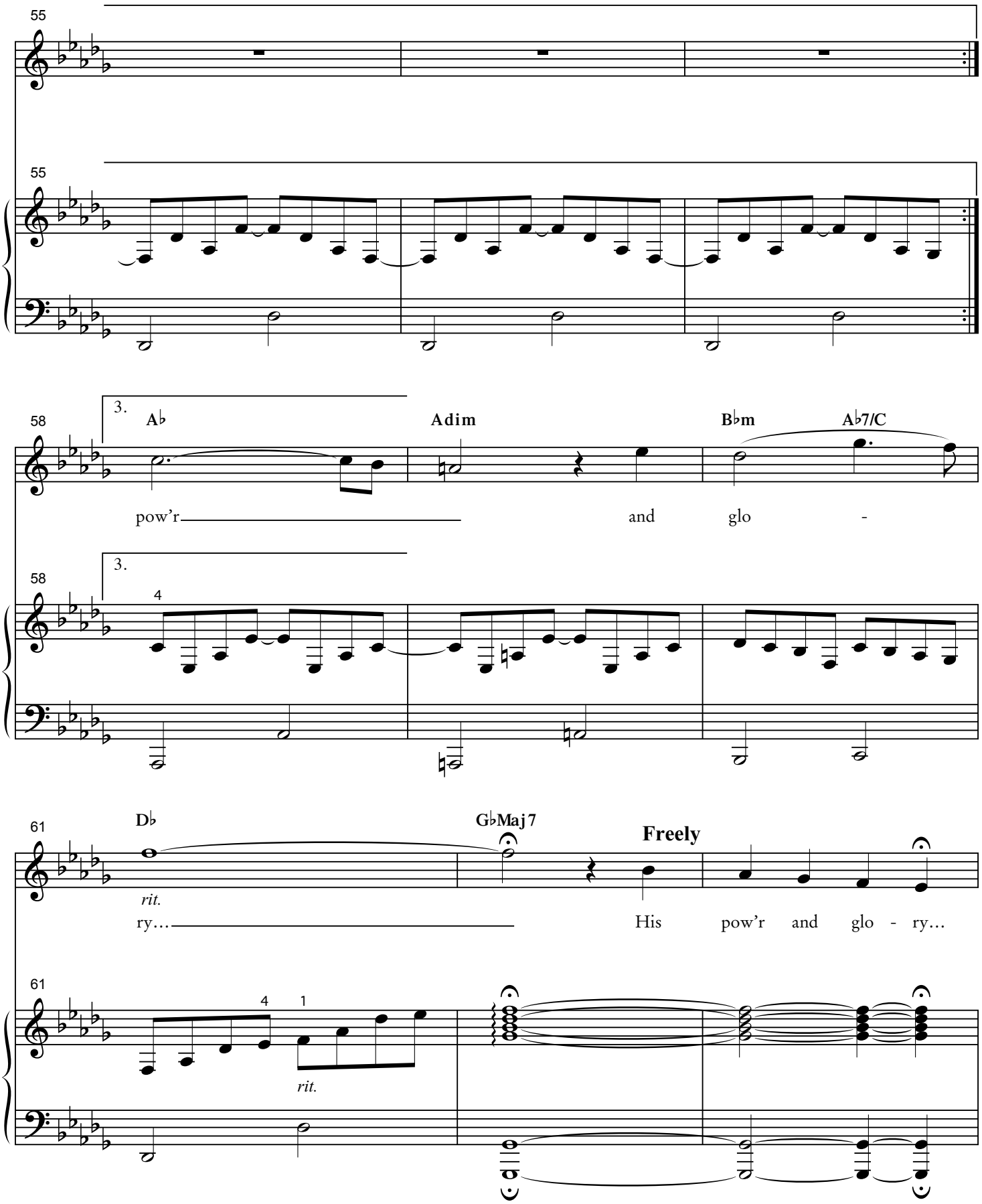

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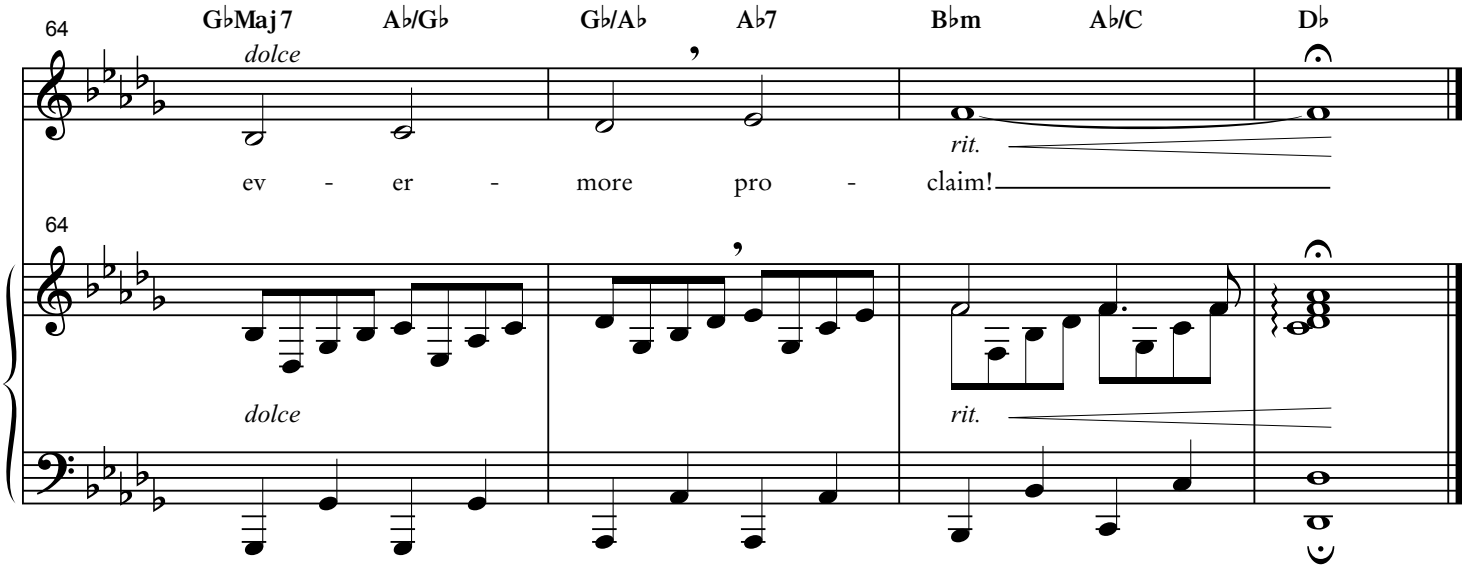

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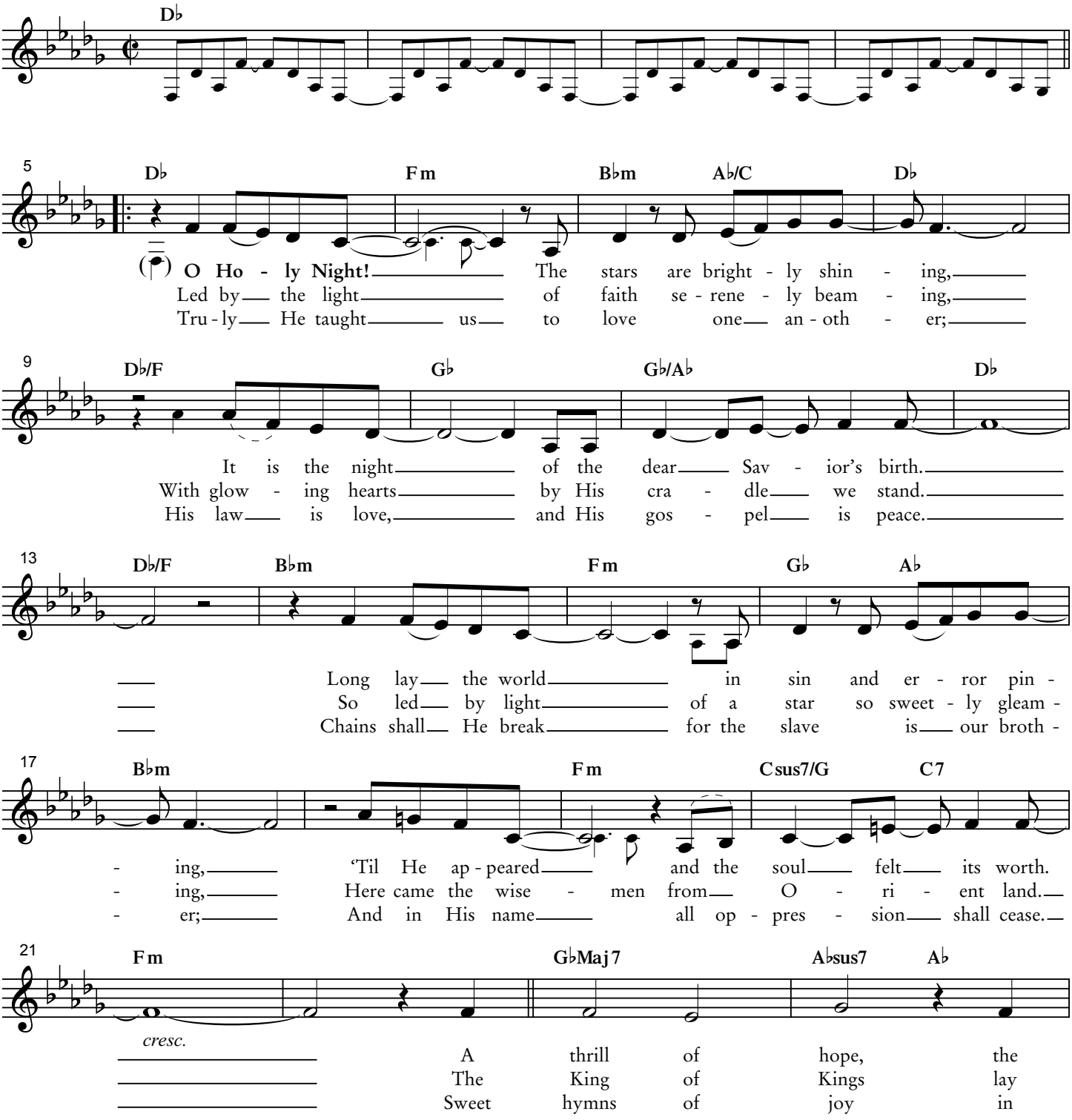
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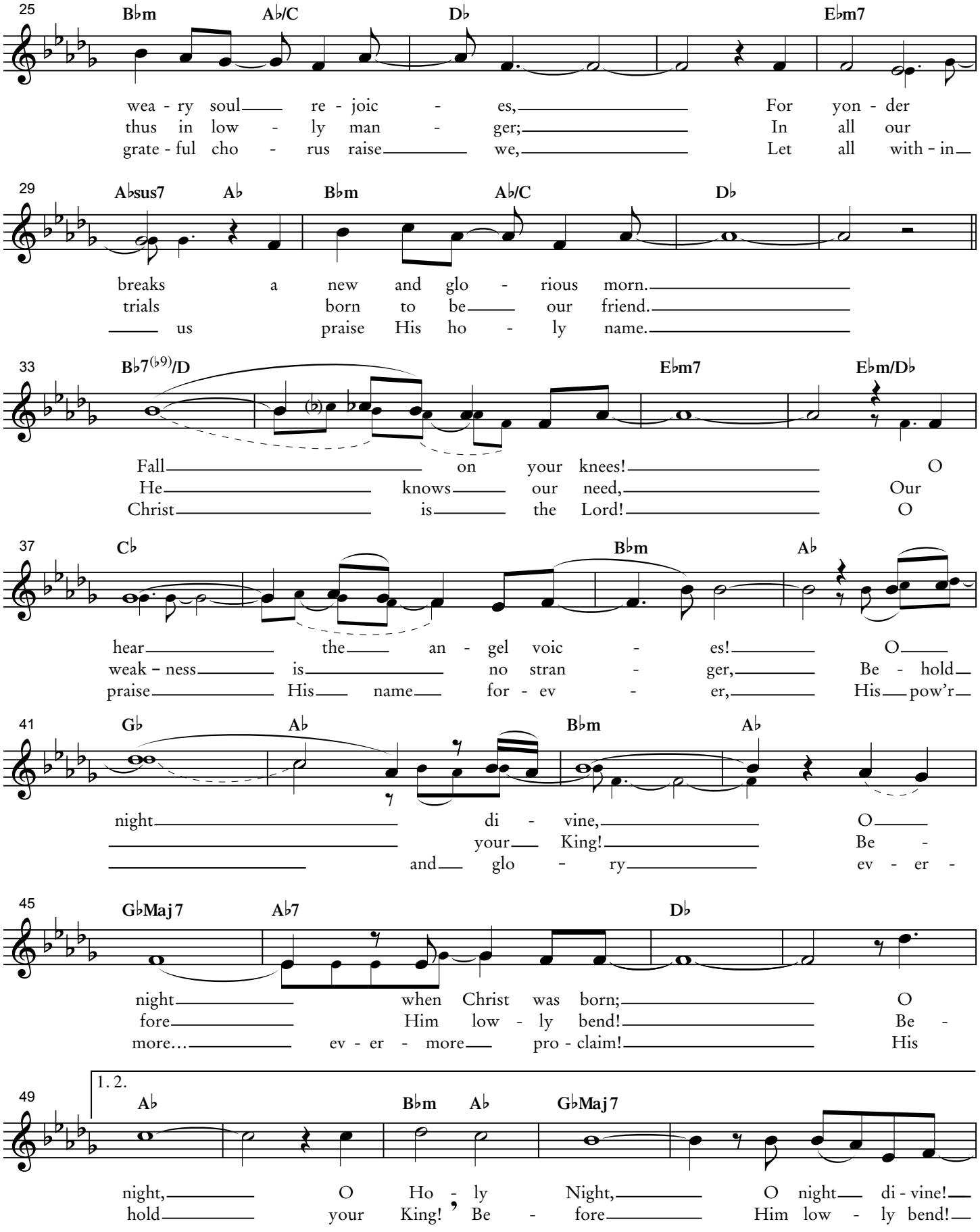
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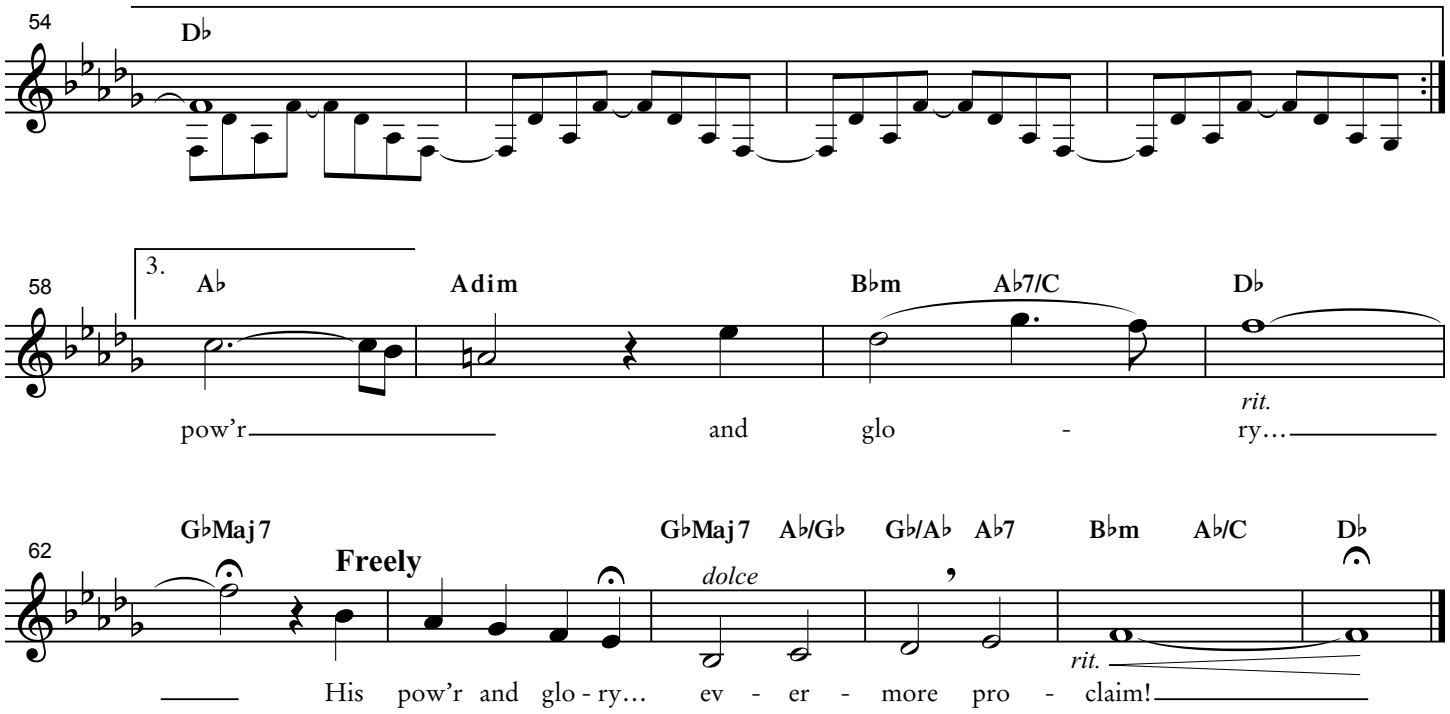
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♩ = 50



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