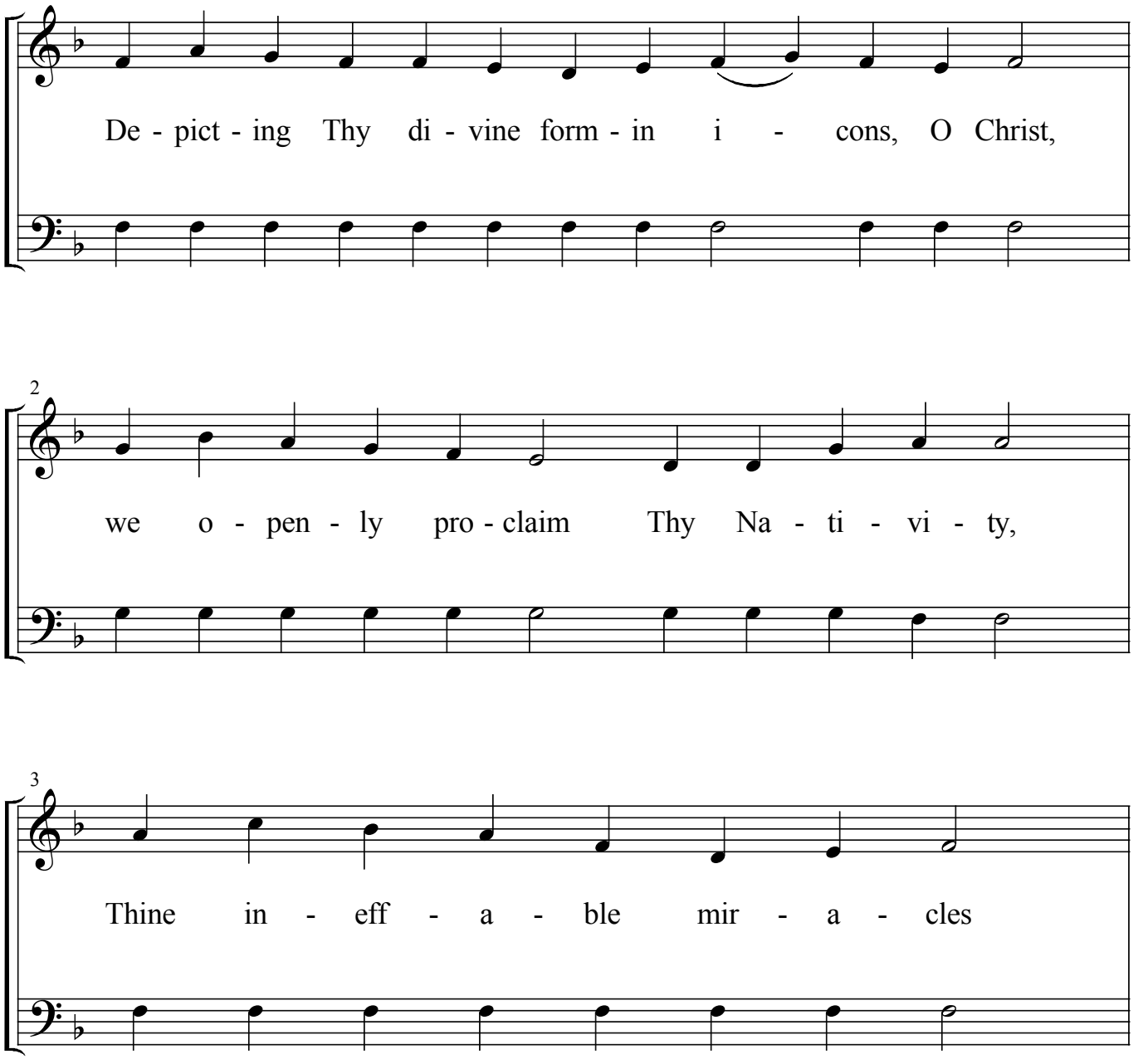
Sunday of Orthodoxy

Sessional Hymn, Odes six and nine from Matins



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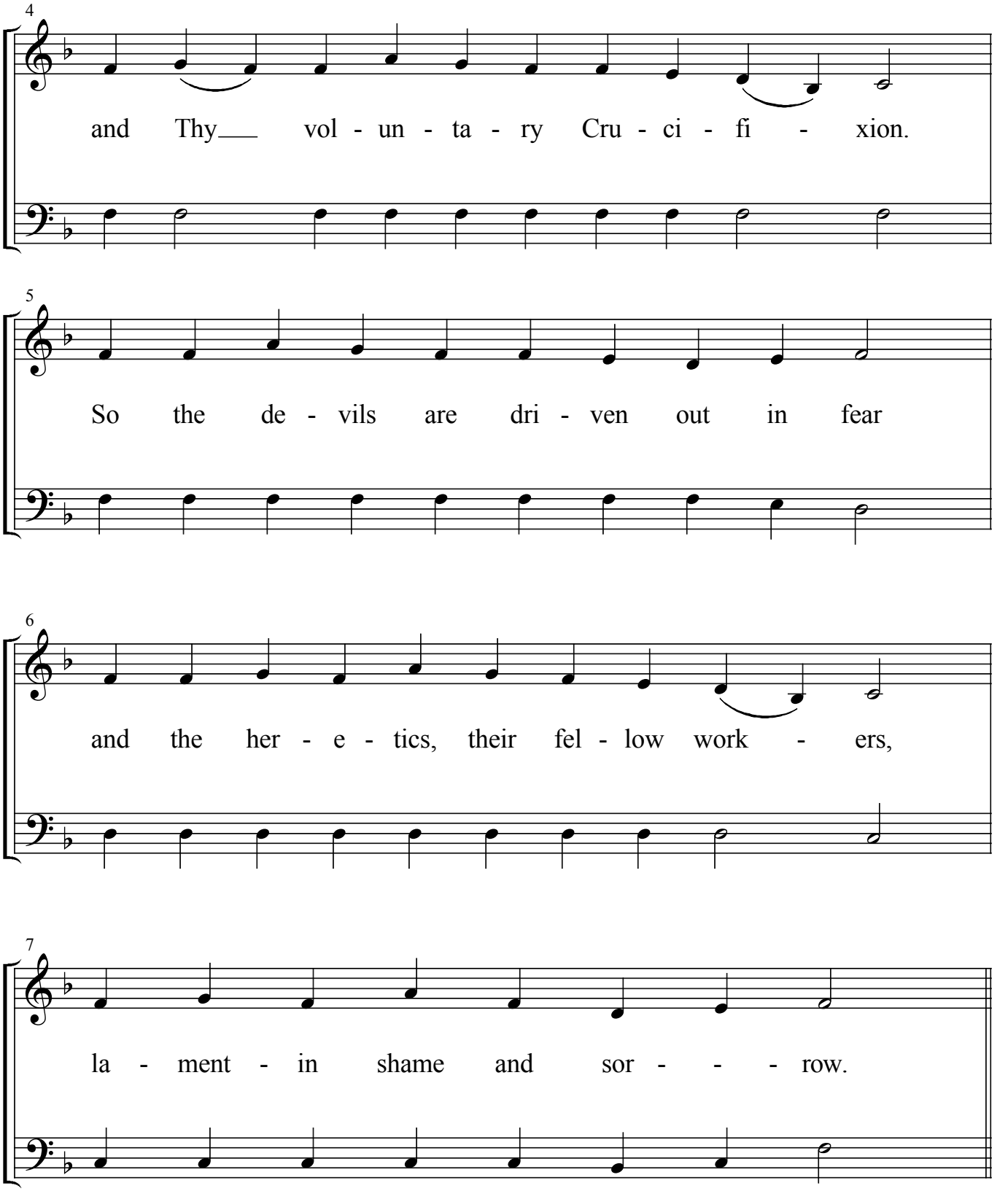
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and Thy vol - un - ta - ry Cru - ci - fi - xion.
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So the de - vils are dri - ven out in fear
6
and the her - e - tics, their fel - low work - ers,
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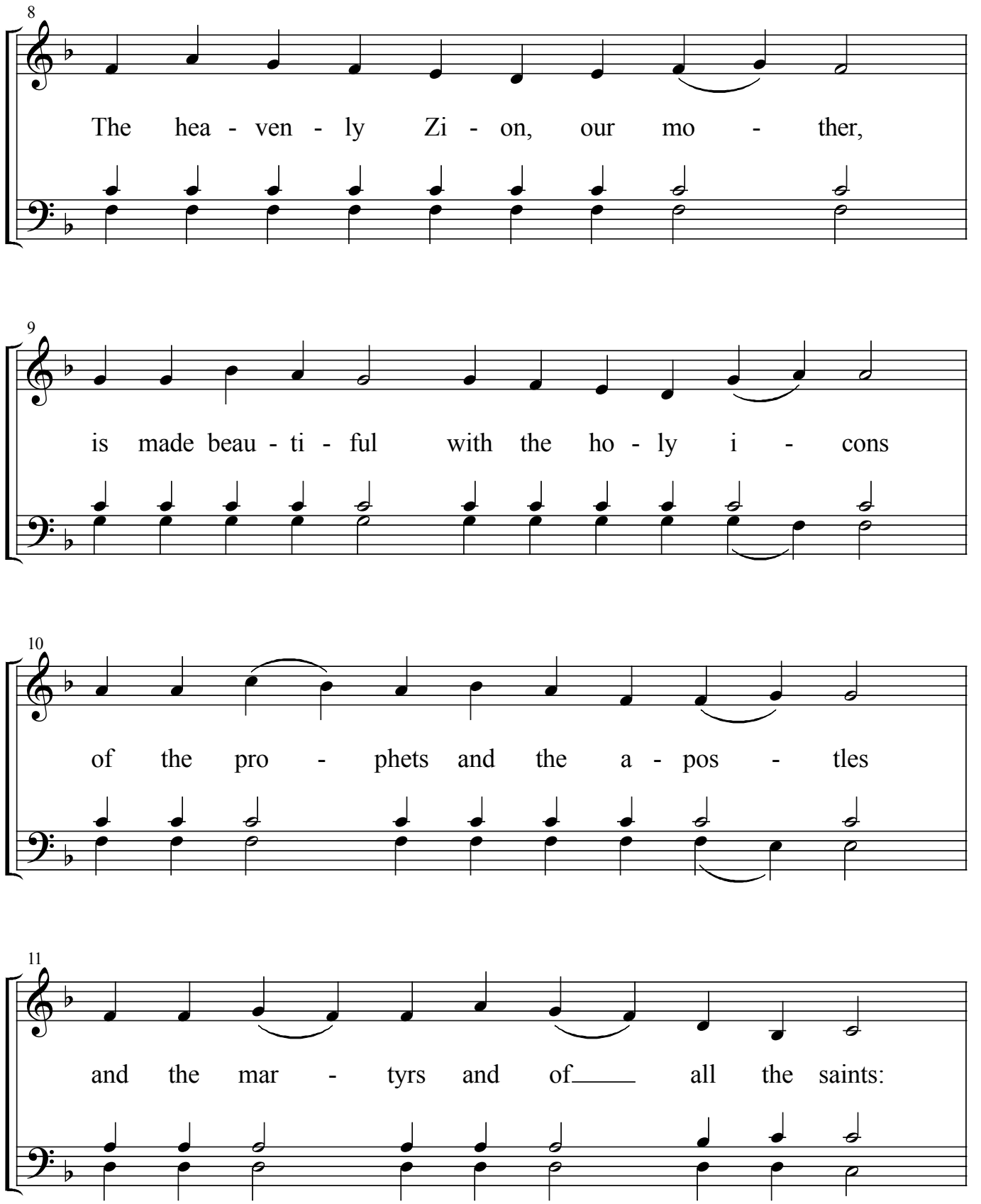
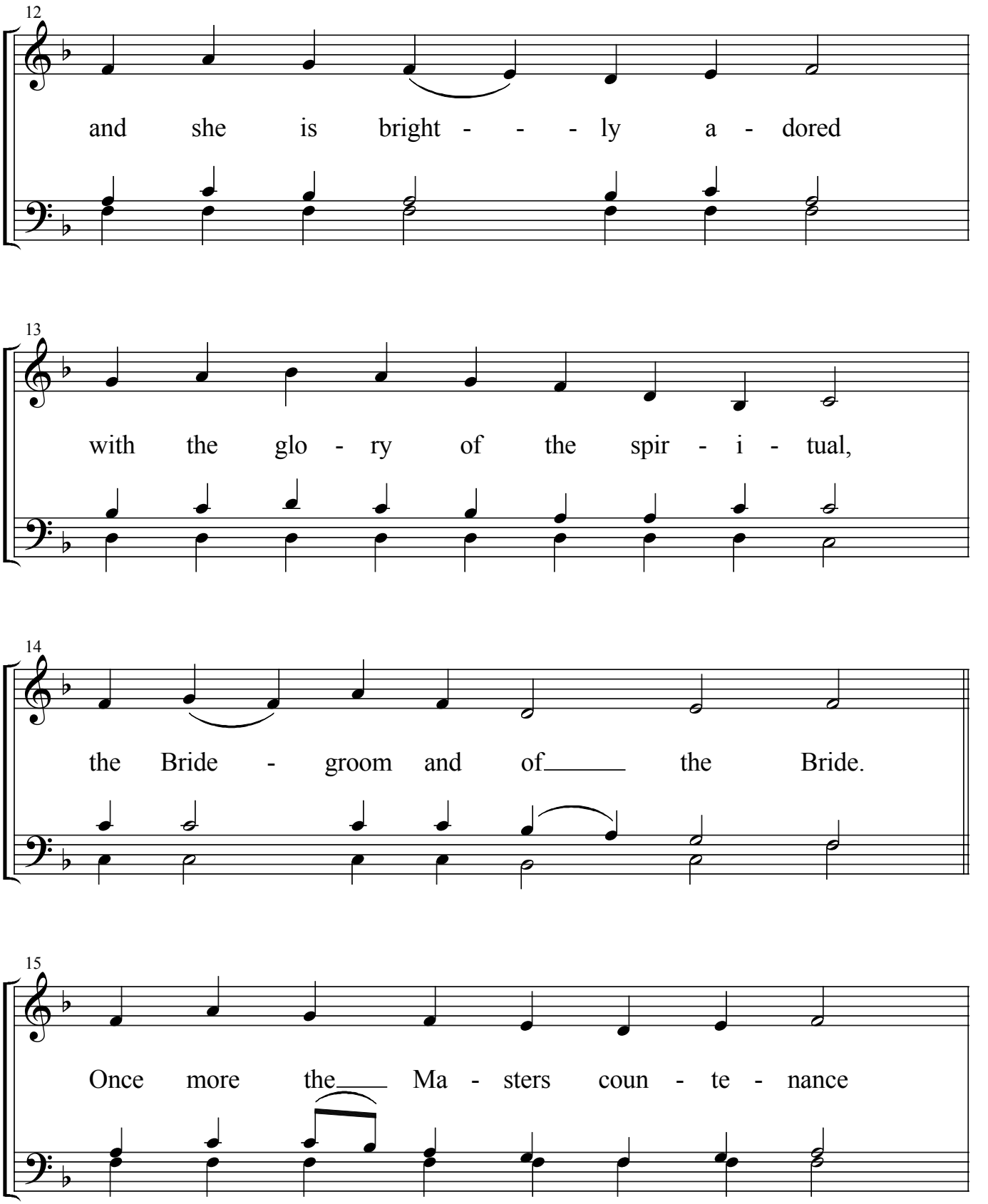
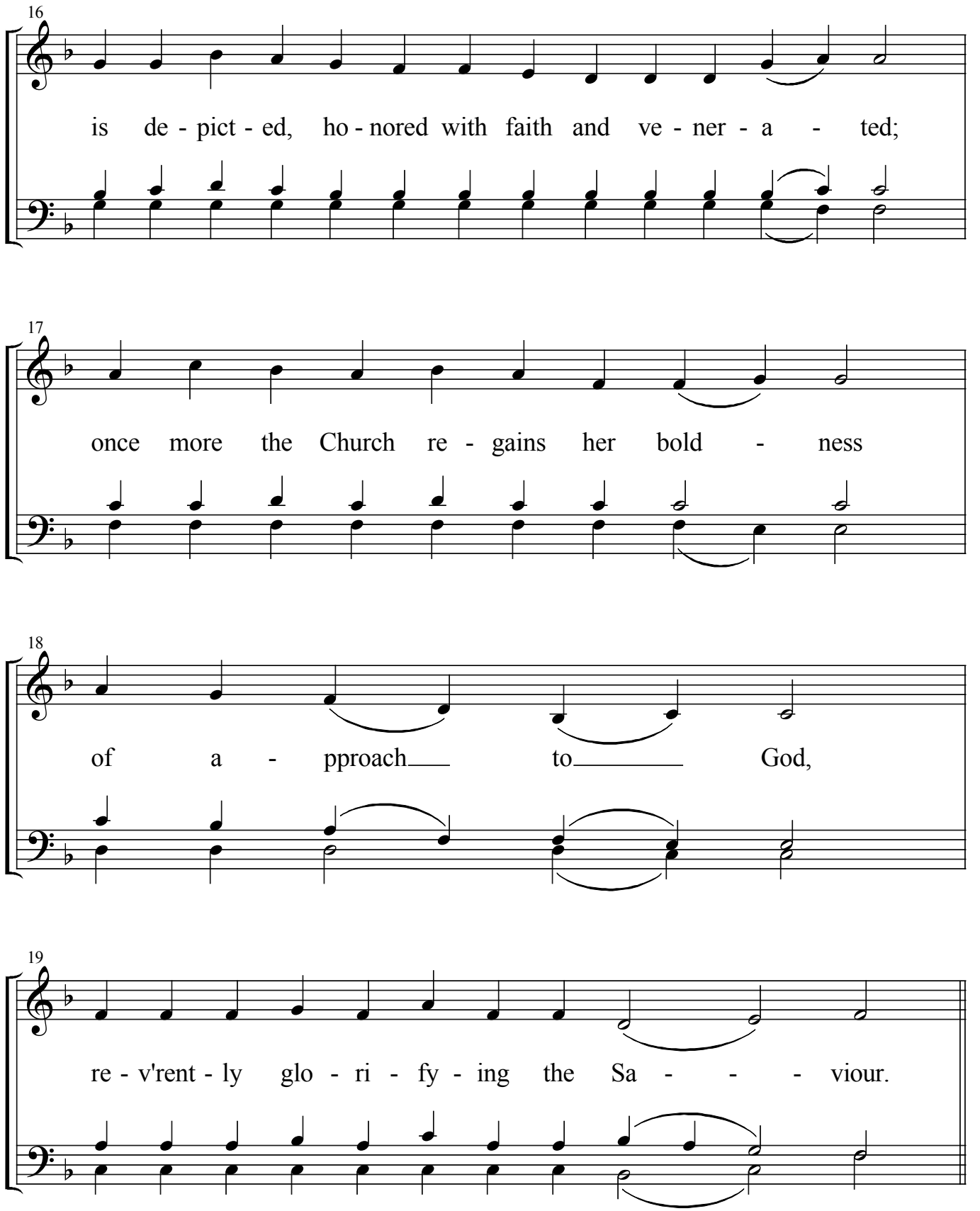
la - ment - in shame and sor - - - row.


8
The hea - ven - ly Zi - on, our mo - ther,
9
is made beau - ti - ful with the ho - ly i - cons
10
of the pro - phets and the a - pos - tles
11
and the mar - tyrs and of all the saints:


12
and she is bright - - - ly a - dored
13
with the glo - ry of the spir - i - tual,
14
the Bride - groom and of the Bride.
15
Once more the Ma - sters coun - te - nance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is de - pict - ed, ho - nored with faith and ve - ner - a - ted;
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once more the Church re - gains her bold - ness
18
of a - pproach to God,
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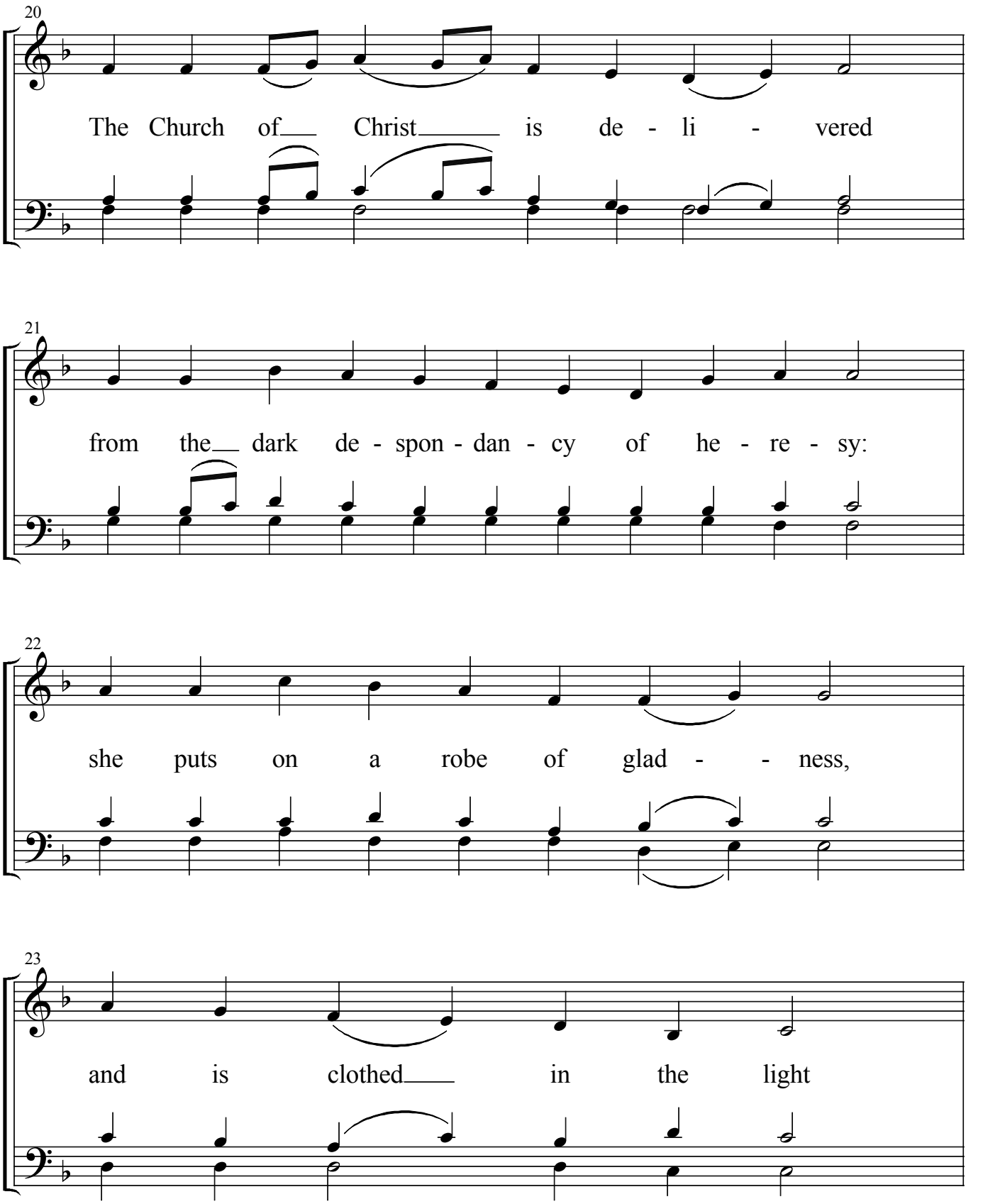
re - v'rent - ly glo - ri - fy - ing the Sa - - - viour.


20
The Church of Christ is de - li - vered
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from the dark de - spon - dan - cy of he - re - sy:
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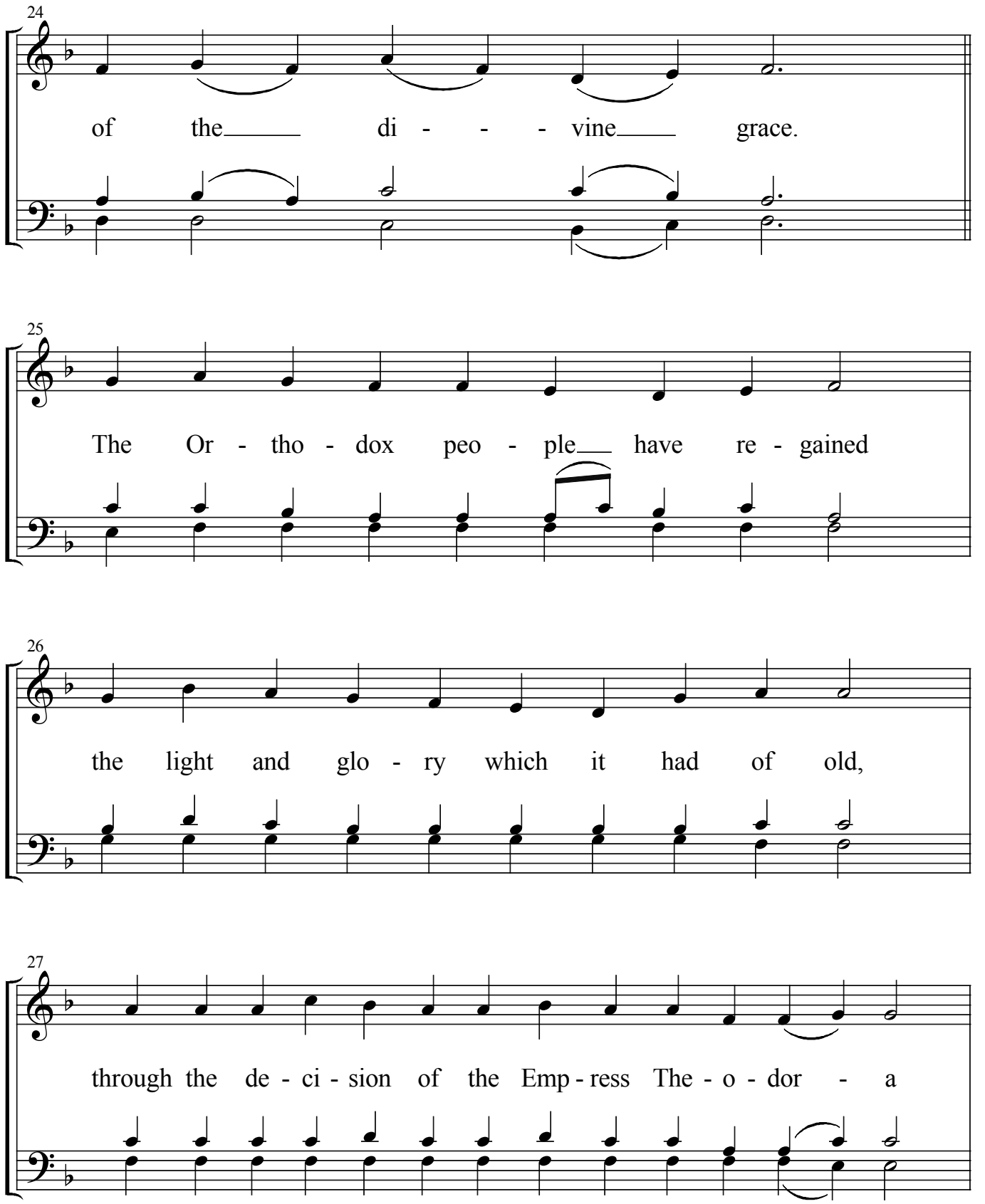
she puts on a robe of glad - - ness,
23
and is clothed in the light


24
of the di - - - vine grace.
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The Or - tho - dox peo - ple have re - gained
26
the light and glo - ry which it had of old,
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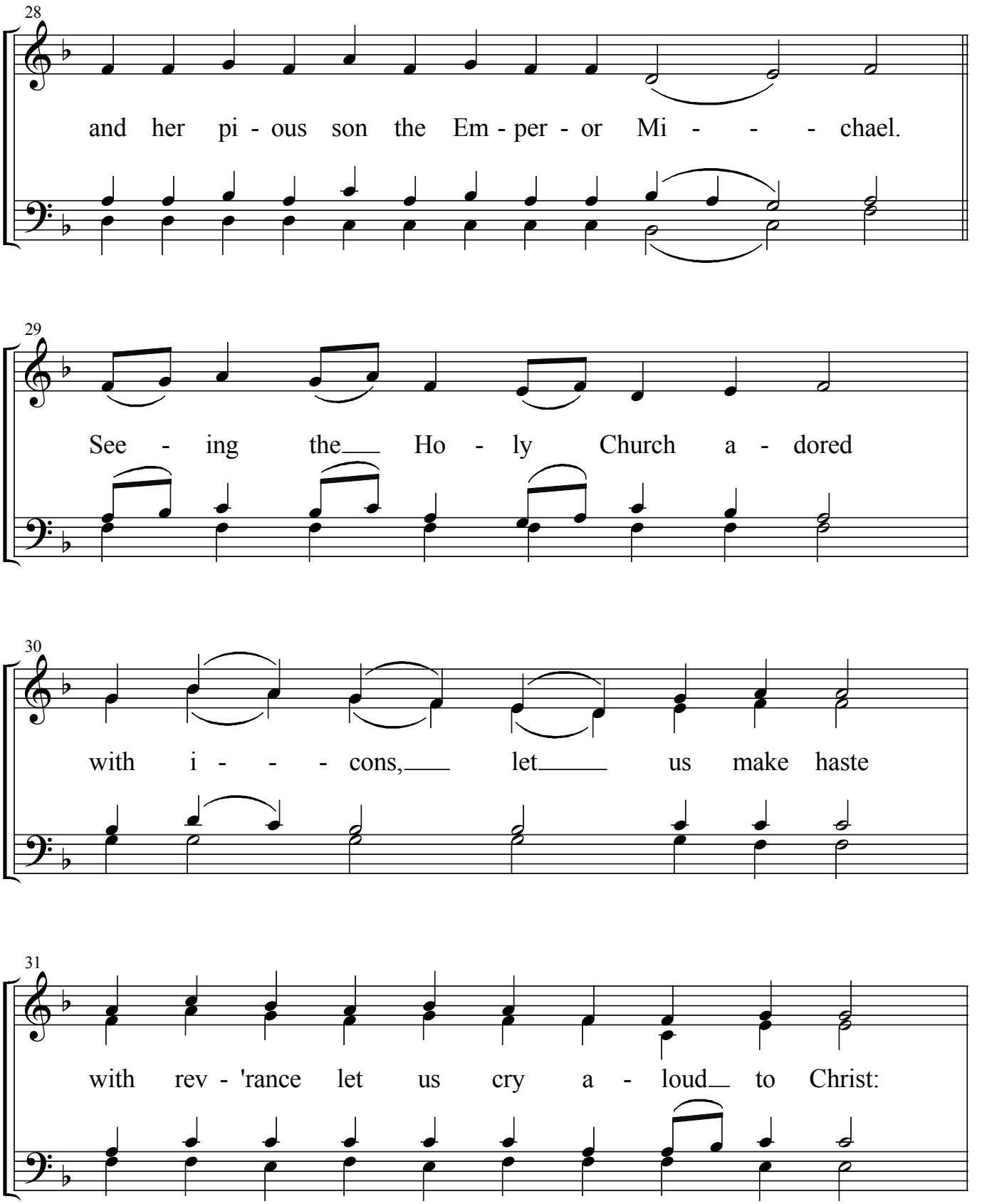
through the de - ci - sion of the Emp - ress The - o - dor - a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and her pi - ous son the Em - per - or Mi - - - chael.
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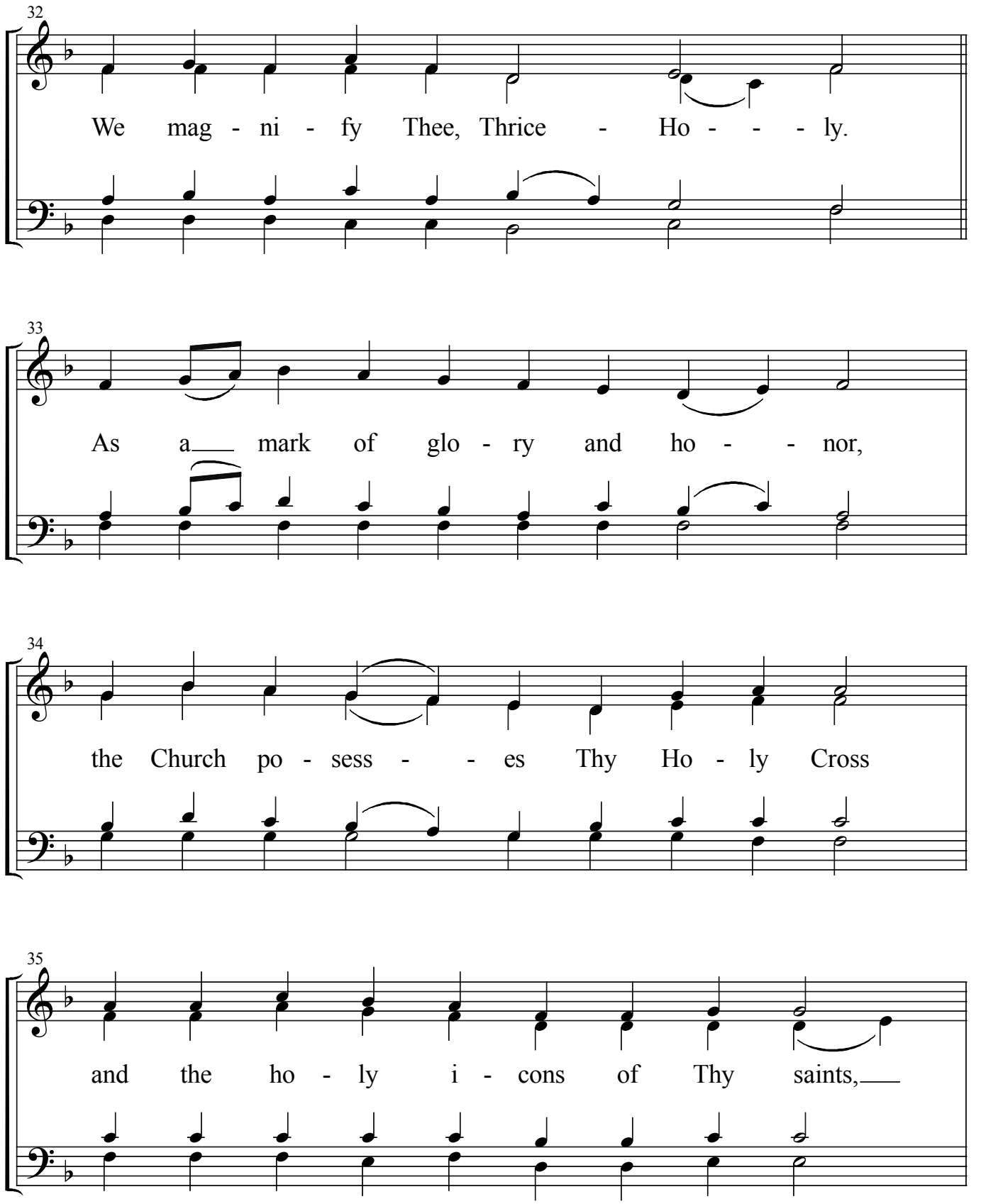
See - ing the Ho - ly Church a - dored
30
with i - - - cons, let us make haste
31
with rev - 'rance let us cry a - loud to Christ: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We mag - ni - fy Thee, Thrice - Ho - - - ly.
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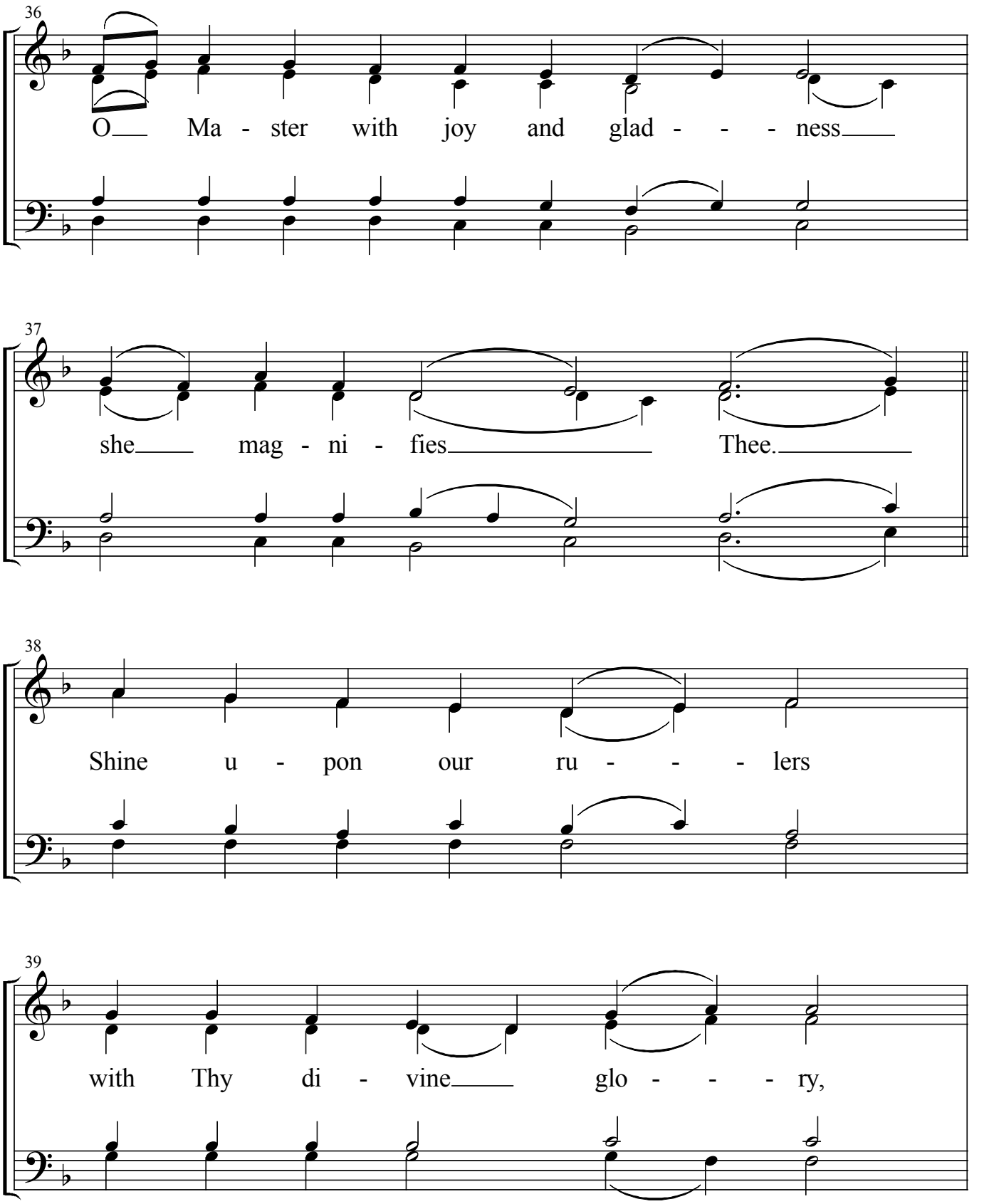
As a mark of glo - ry and ho - - nor,
34
the Church po - sess - - es Thy Ho - ly Cross
35
and the ho - ly i - cons of Thy saints,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O Ma - ster with joy and glad - - - ness
37
she mag - ni - fies Thee.
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Shine u - pon our ru - - - lers
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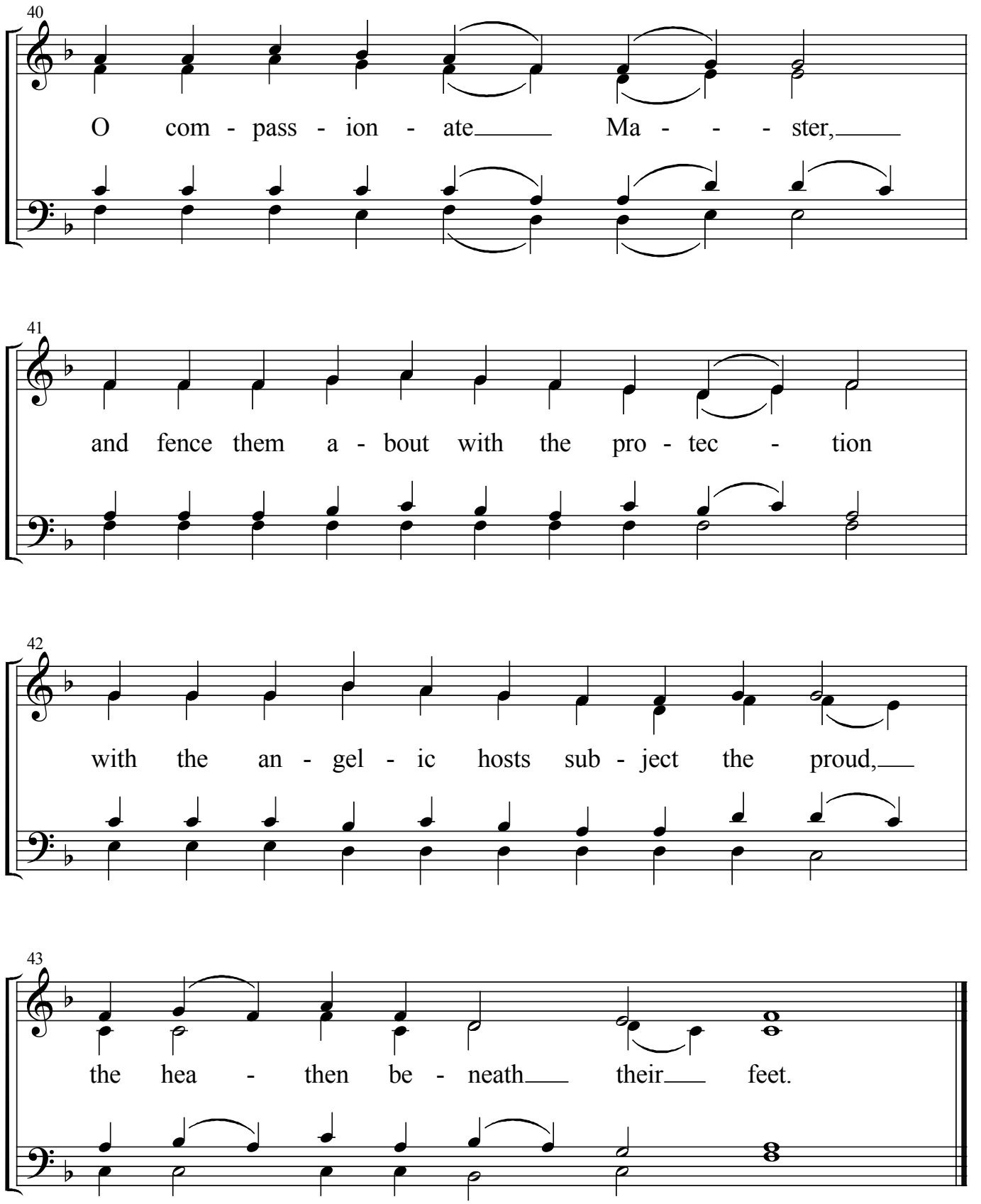
with Thy di - vine glo - - - ry,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O com - pass - ion - ate Ma - - - ster,
41
and fence them a - bout with the pro - tec - tion
42
with the an - gel - ic hosts sub - ject the proud,
43
the hea - then be - neath their feet.