

5th Sunday after the Epiphany

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

We Welcome You!
We are very pleased you are with us today in worship and we pray the Lord will bless your time with us.

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Today's Date _____
Member Visitor Guest

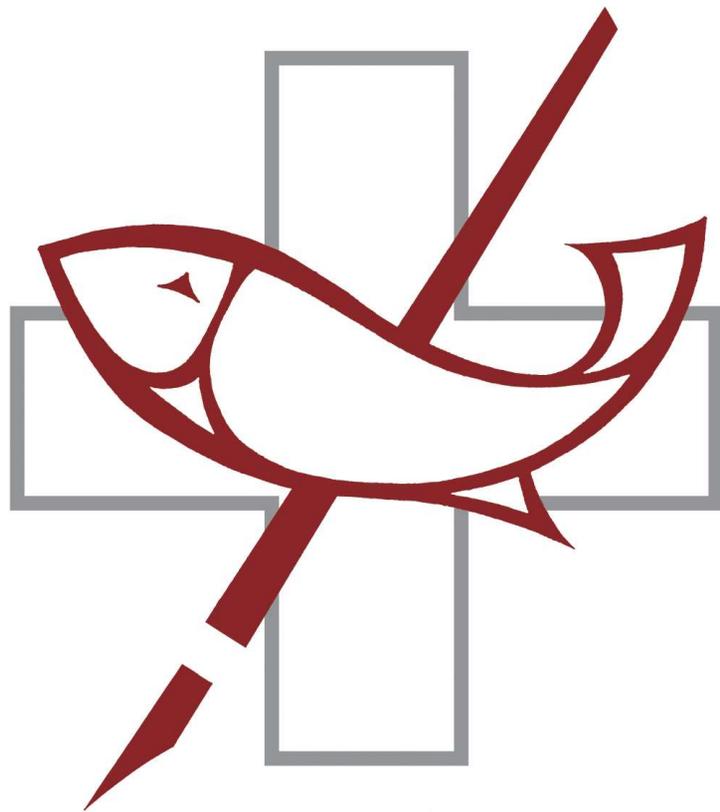
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Please read our communion statement on the back of this card.

HOLY COMMUNION
Our Lord Jesus Christ gave His disciples not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for remission of sins and to strengthen with Him and with one another. We trust His words, repent of our sins, and receive His sacrament as He forgives and loves those who partake of Holy Communion.

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and then place it in
the offering plate at
the end of service.
Thank you.*



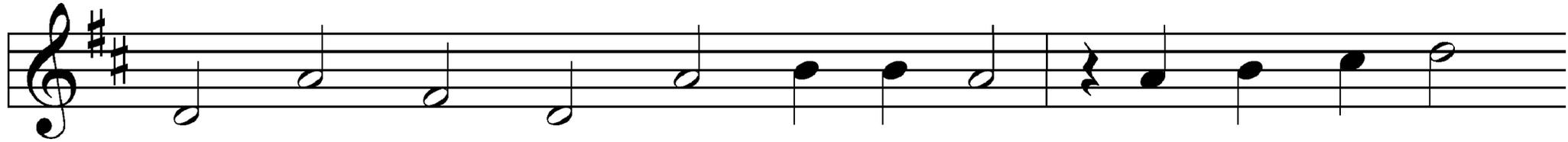
913 O Holy Spirit, Enter In



1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, en - ter in, And in our hearts

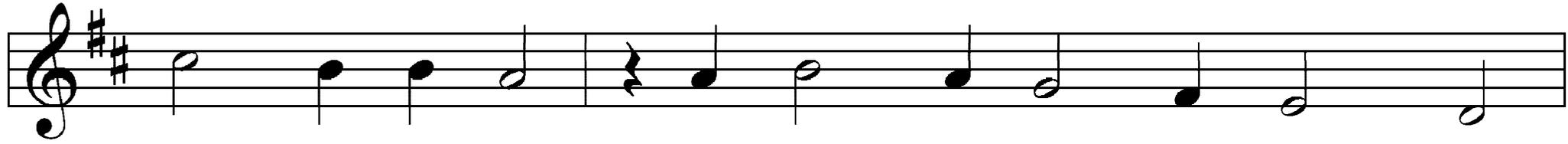


Your work be - gin, Your dwell - ing place now make us.

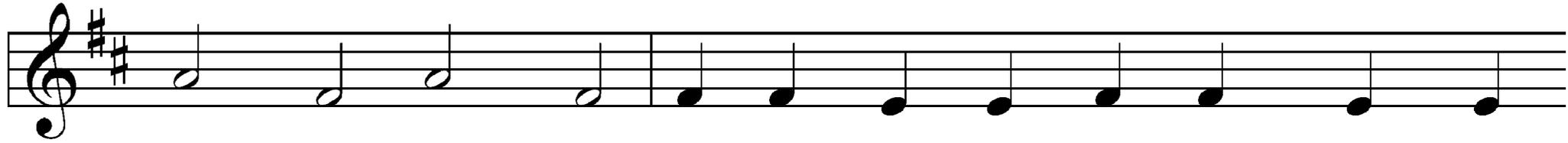


Sun of the soul, O Light di - vine, A - round and in

913 O Holy Spirit, Enter In



us bright-ly shine, To joy and glad - ness wake us



That we may be Tru - ly liv - ing, To You giv - ing



Prayer un - ceas - ing And in love be still in - creas - ing.

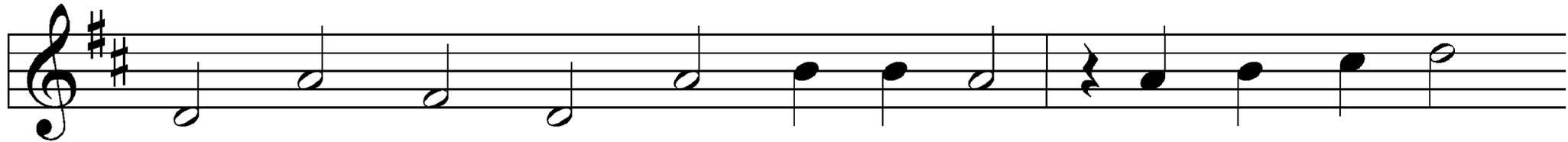
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2 Give to Your Word im - pres - sive pow'r, That in our hearts

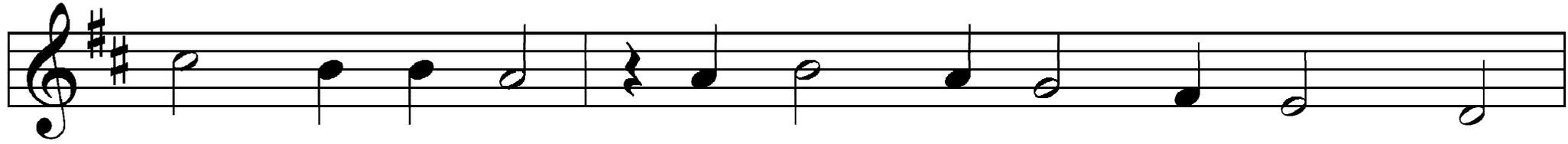


from this good hour As fire it may be glow - ing,

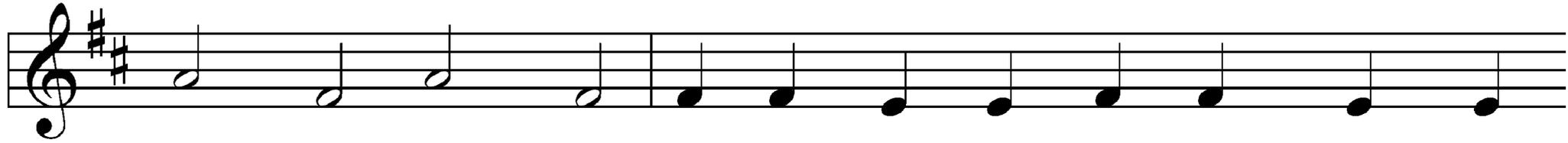


That in true Chris - tian u - ni - ty We faith - ful wit -

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ness - es may be, Your glo - ry ev - er show - ing.

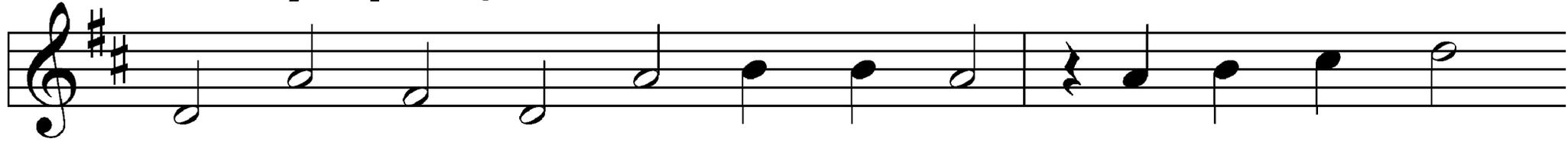


Hear us, cheer us By Your teach - ing; Let our preach - ing



And our la - bor Praise You, Lord, and serve our neigh - bor.

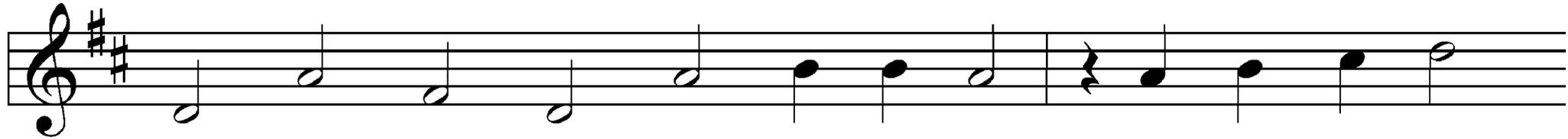
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3 O might - y Rock, O Source of life, Let Your dear Word,



in doubt and strife, In us be strong - ly burn - ing

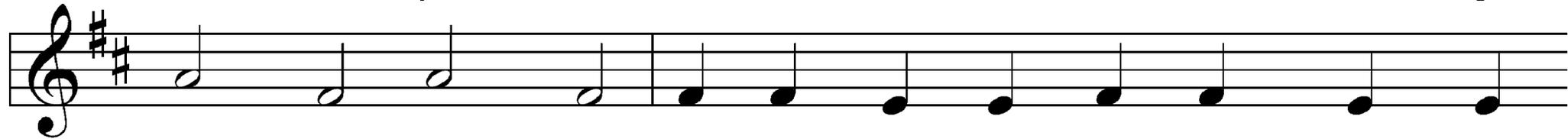


That we be faith - ful un - to death And live in love

913 O Holy Spirit, Enter In



and ho - ly faith, From You true wis - dom learn - ing.



Your grace and peace On us show - er; By Your pow - er



Christ con - fess - ing, Let us see our Sav - ior's bless - ing.

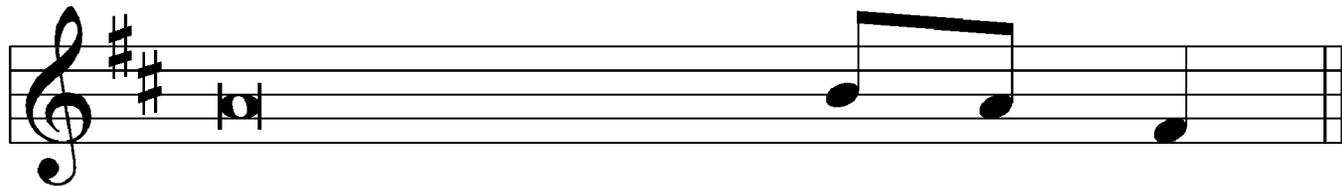
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Tune: Philipp Nicolai, 1556–1608

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Common Versicles

L O Lord, open my lips,



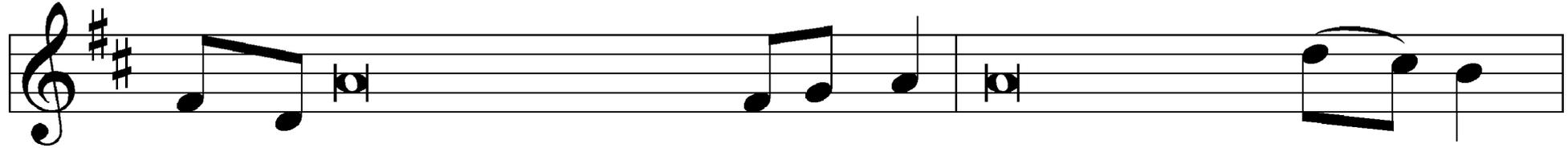
C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.

L Make haste, O God, to deliver me;

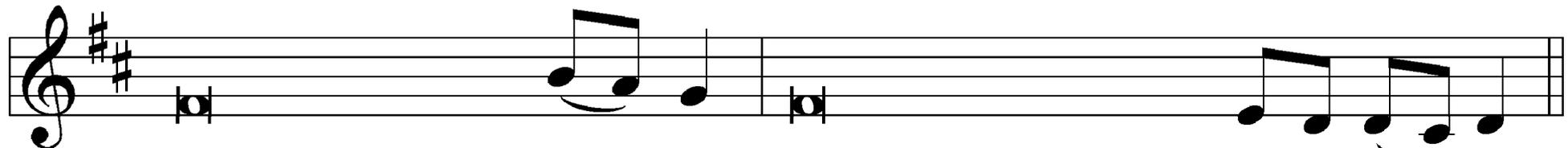


C make haste to help me, O Lord.

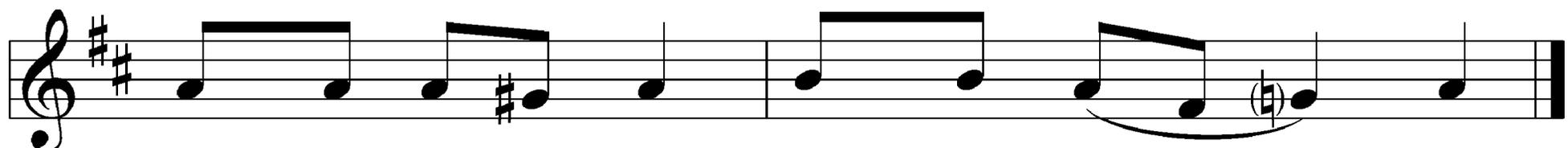
Common Versicles



C Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



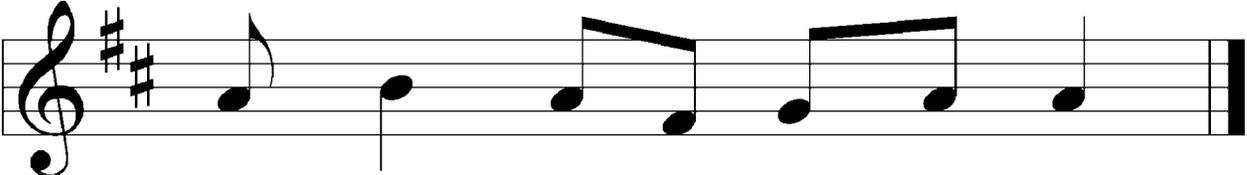
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

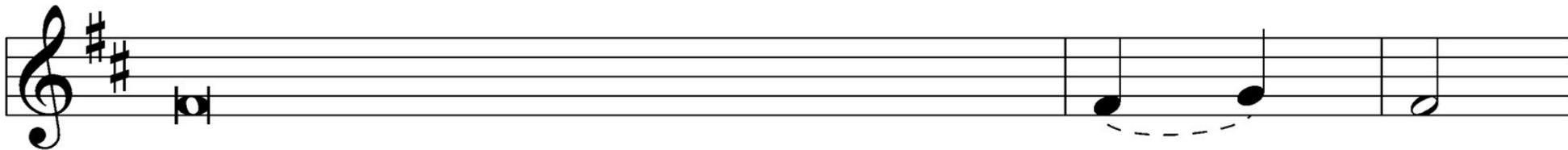
Antiphon (Common)

L Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

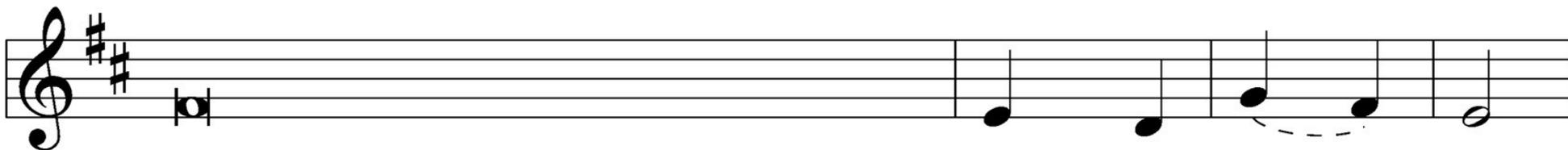


C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

Venite

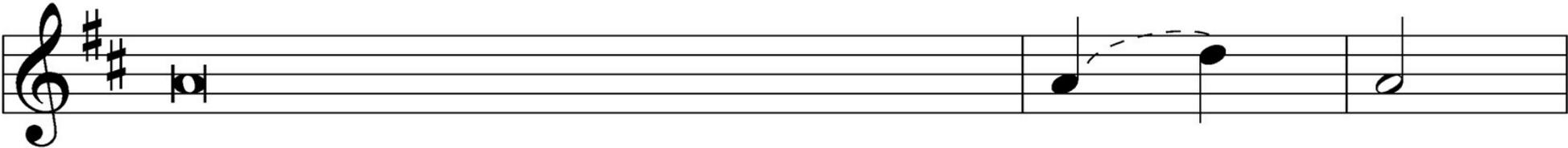


1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,

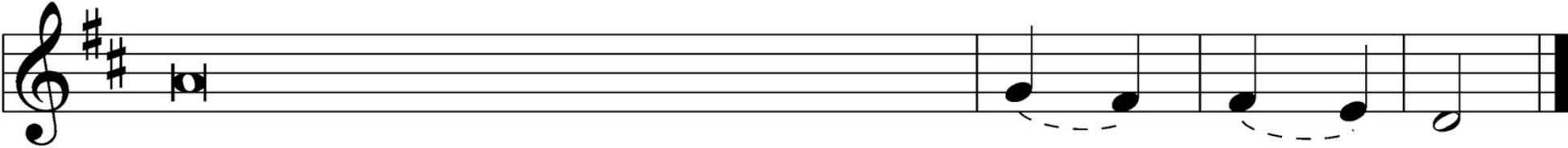


1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.

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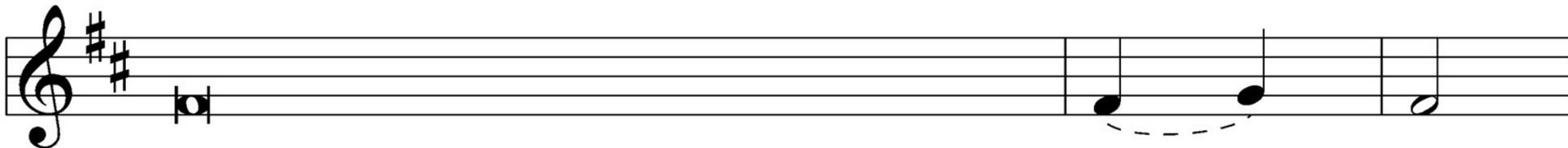


1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,

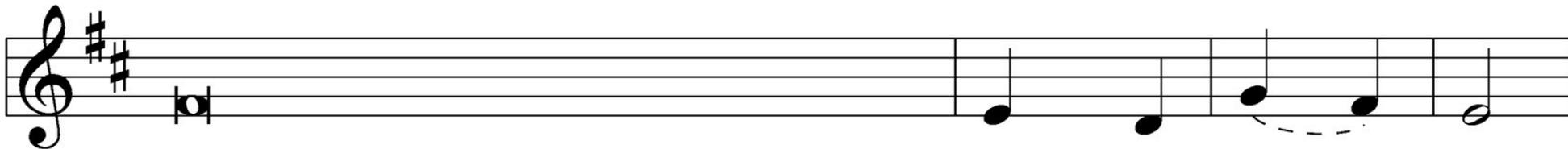


1 let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.

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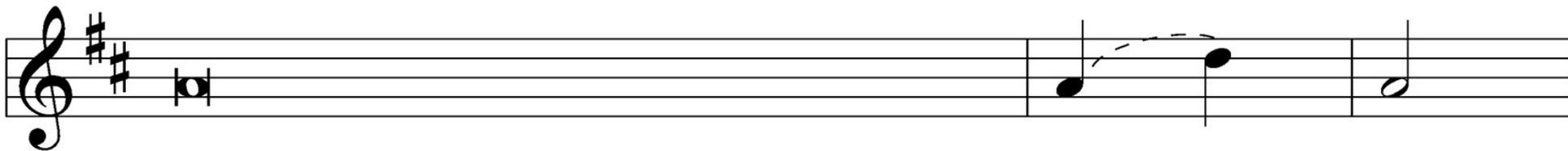


2 For the Lord is a great _____ God

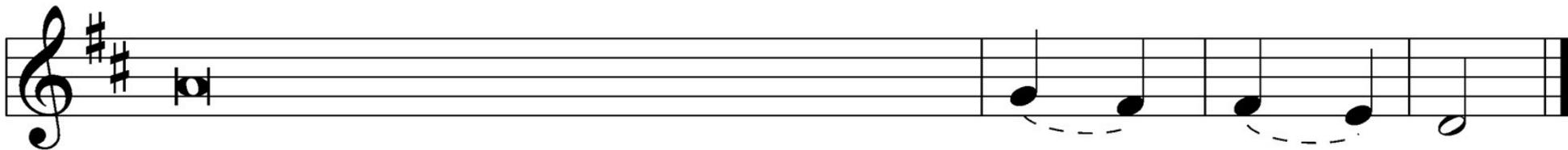


2 and a great king a - bove all gods.

Venite

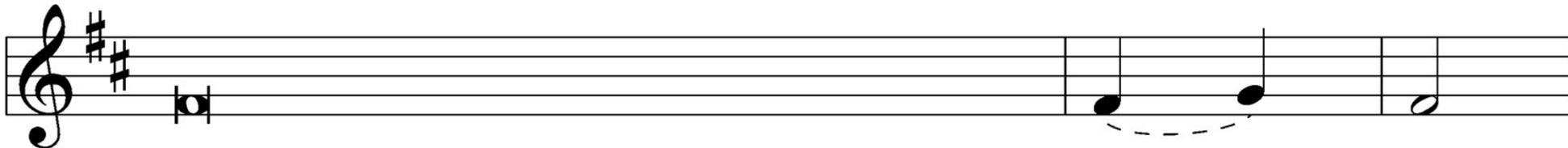


2 The deep places of the earth are in His hand;

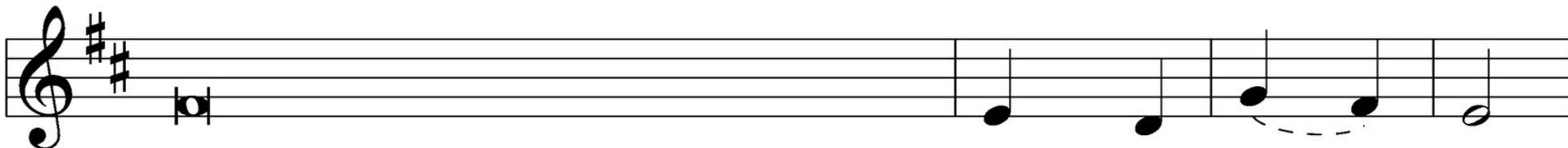


2 the strength of the hills is His al - so.

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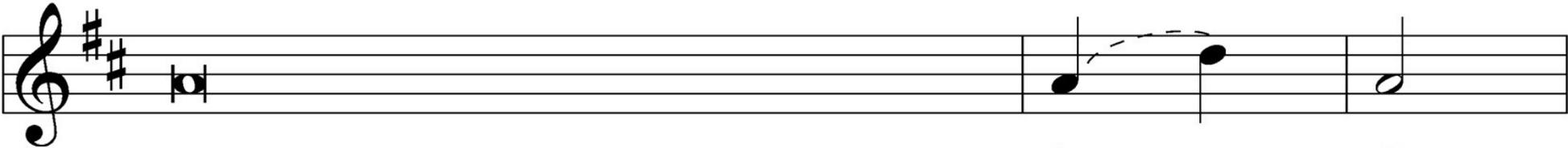


3 The sea is His, for He made _____ it,

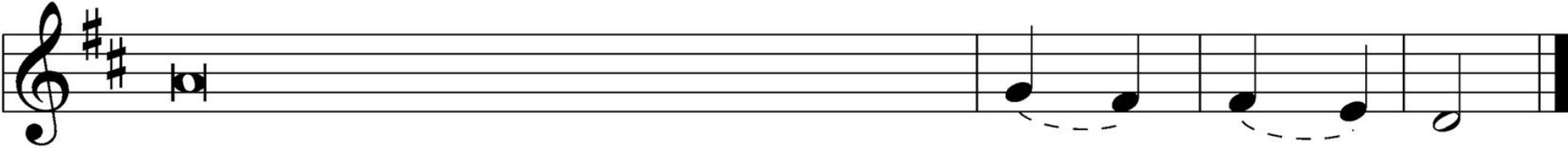


3 and His hand formed the dry _____ land.

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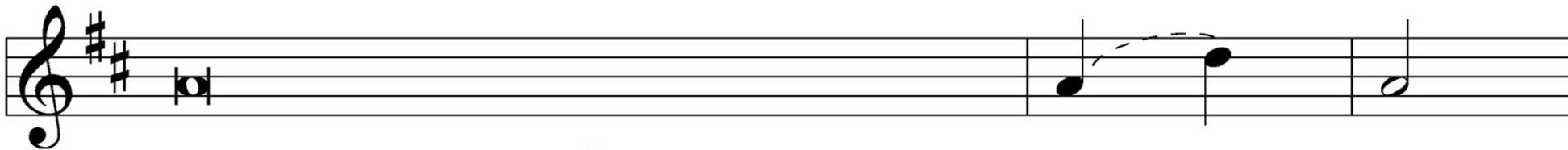


3 O come, let us worship and bow _____ down,

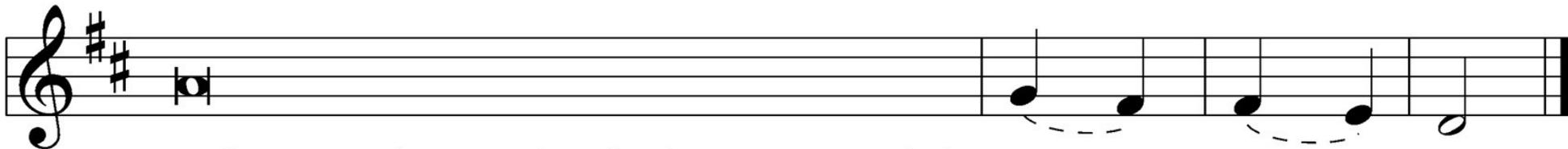


3 let us kneel before the Lord, our mak - er.

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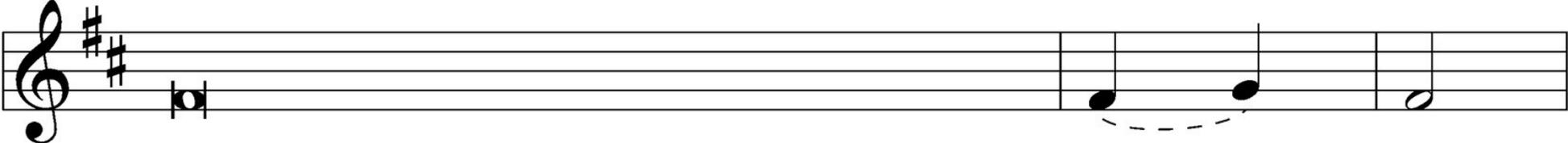


4 For He is our God,

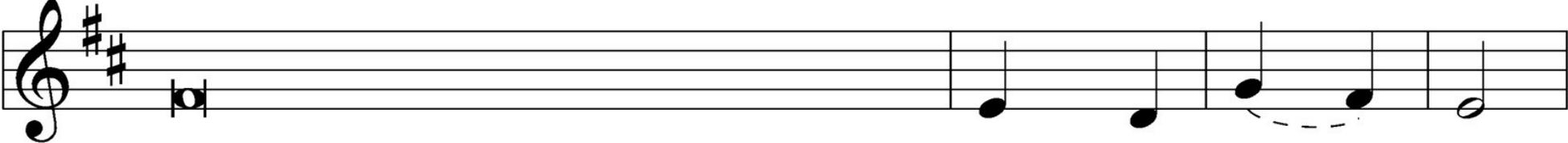


4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep— of His hand.

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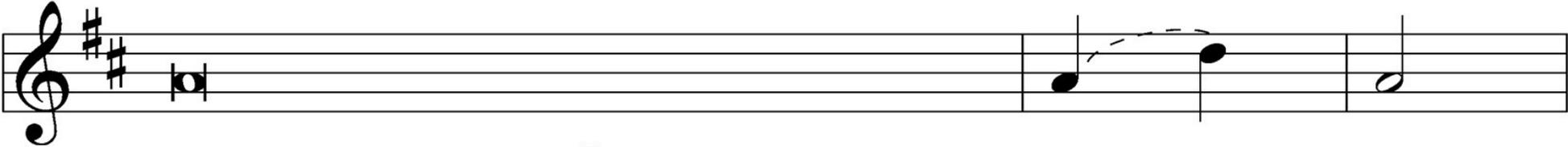


5 Glory be to the Father and to the Son

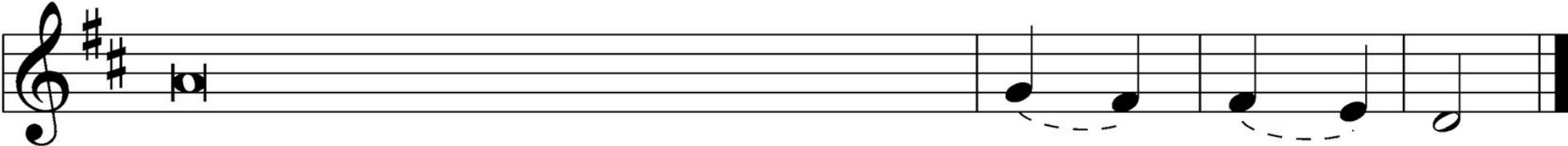


5 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;

Venite



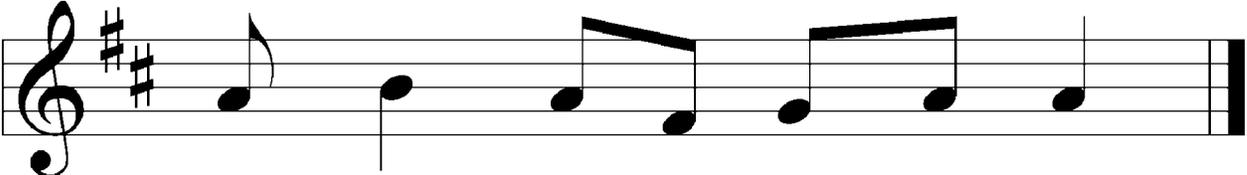
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5 is now, and will be for - - ev - er. A - men.

Antiphon (Common)

L Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.



C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power;

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with You and the
Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 58: 3-9a

“Why have we fasted, and you see it not?

Why have we humbled ourselves, and you take no knowledge of it?’

Behold, in the day of your fast you seek your own pleasure,

and oppress all your workers.

Behold, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to hit with a wicked fist.

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 58: 3-9a

Fasting like yours this day

will not make your voice to be heard on high.

Is such the fast that I choose,

a day for a person to humble himself?

Is it to bow down his head like a reed,

and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him?

Will you call this a fast

and a day acceptable to the LORD?

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 58: 3-9a

“Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of wickedness,
to undo the straps of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?
Is it not to share your bread with the
hungry
and bring the homeless poor into your
house;

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 58:3–9a

when you see the naked, to cover him,
and not to hide yourself from your own
flesh?

Then shall your light break forth like the
dawn,

and your healing shall spring up speedily;
your righteousness shall go before you;
the glory of the LORD shall be your rear
guard.

Old Testament Reading: 58: 3-9a

Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;

you shall cry, and he will say, 'Here I am.'"

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 2: 1-16

And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom,

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 2: 1-16

but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory.

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 2: 1-16

None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
nor the heart of man imagined,
what God has prepared for those who love
him”—

these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit.

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For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For who knows a person's thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God.

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 2: 1-16

And we impart this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who are spiritual.

The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned.

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 2: 1-16

The spiritual person judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one. “For who has understood the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel: Matthew 5: 13-20

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the fifth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 5: 13-20

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets;

Holy Gospel: Matthew 5: 13-20

I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 5: 13-20

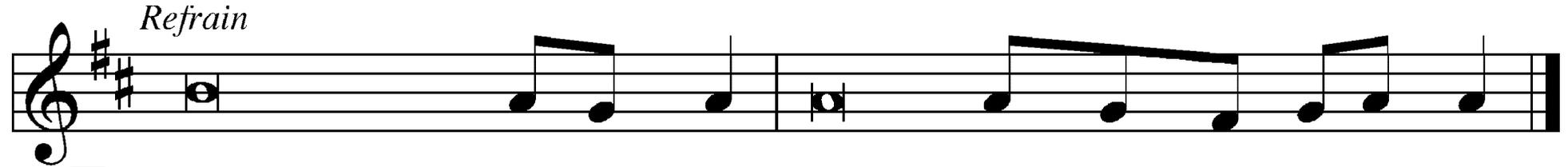
For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Responsory

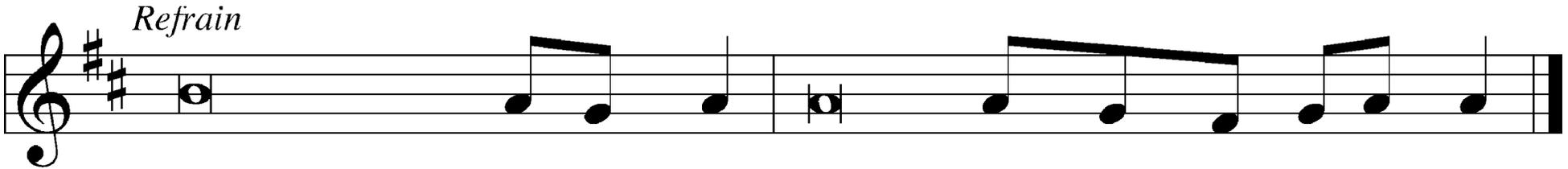
L Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.



C Lord, I love
the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells.

Responsory

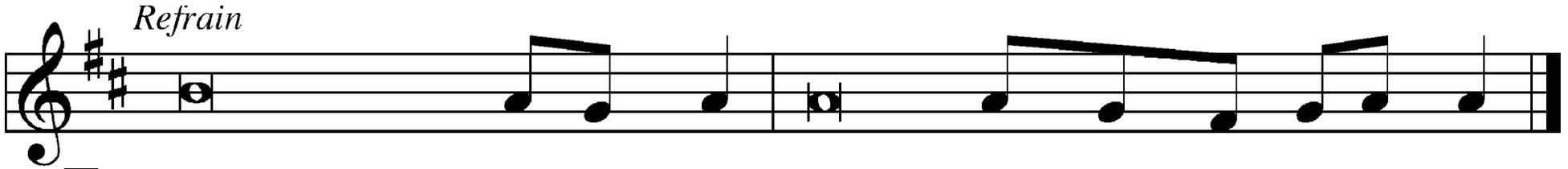
L Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.



C Lord, I love
the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells.

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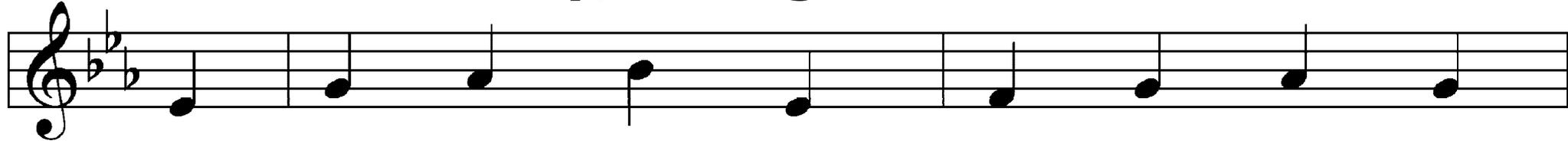
L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.



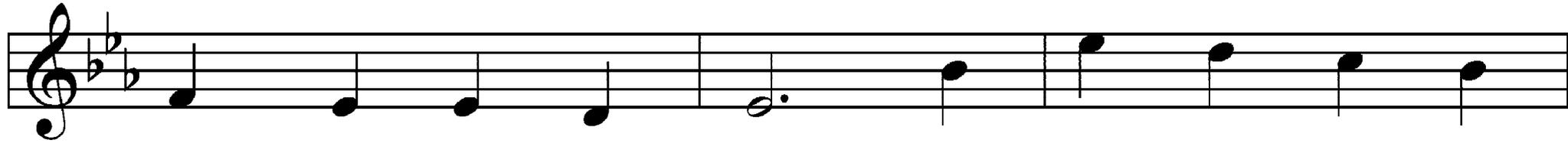
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Children's Message

526 You Are the Way; through You Alone



1 You are the way; through You a - lone Can



we the Fa - ther find; In You, O Christ, has

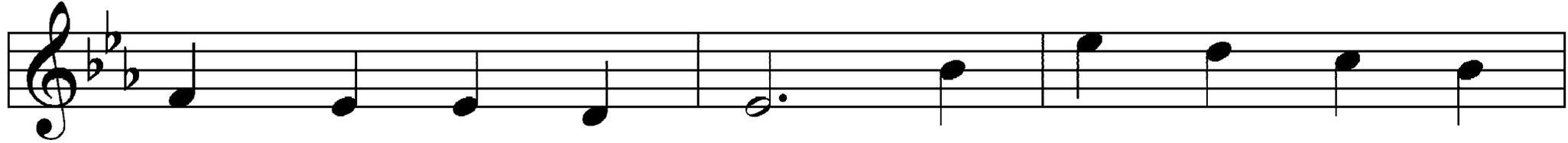


God re - vealed His heart and will and mind.

526 You Are the Way; through You Alone



2 You are the truth; Your Word a - lone True



wis - dom can im - part; You on - ly can in -



form the mind And pu - ri - fy the heart.

526 You Are the Way; through You Alone



3 You are the life; the emp - ty tomb Pro -



claims Your con - qu'ring arm, And those who put their

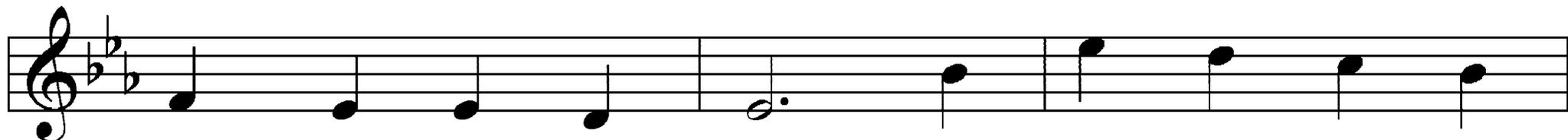


trust in You Not death nor hell shall harm.

526 You Are the Way; through You Alone



4 You are the way, the truth, the life; Grant



us that way to know, That truth to keep, that

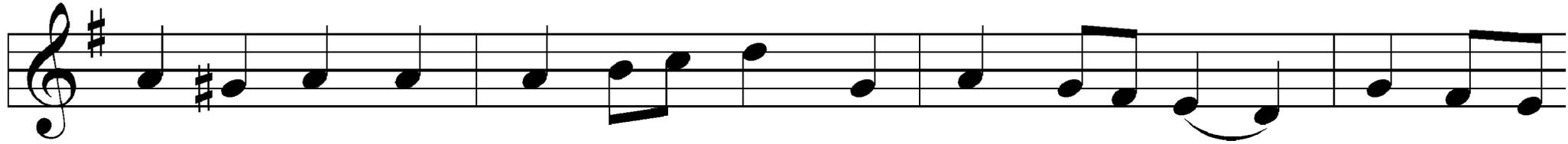


life to win Whose joys e - ter - nal flow.

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Tune: The CL Psalmes of David, 1615, Edinburgh
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Sermon

650 Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling



ev - er rais - ing Those of earth to thrones on high; Liv - ing,



life - im - part - ing Spir - it, You we praise and mag - ni - fy.

650 Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling



2 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er liv - ing As the Church's

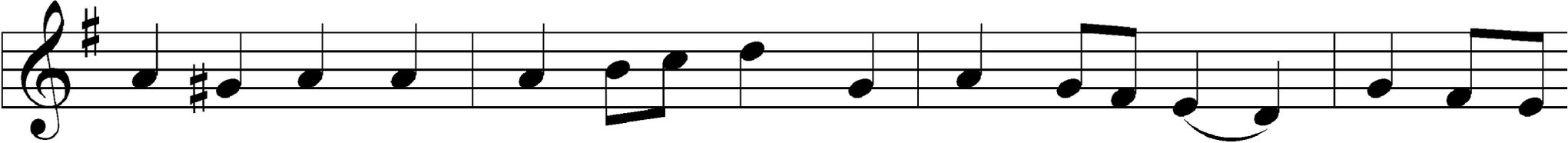


ver - y life; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er striv - ing



Through us in a cease - less strife; Ho - ly Spir - it,

650 Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling



ev - er form - ing In the Church the mind of Christ: You we



praise with end - less wor - ship For Your gifts and fruits un - priced.

650 Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling



3 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er work - ing Through the Church's



min - is - try; Quick-'ning, strength-'ning, and ab - solv - ing,



Set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free; Ho - ly Spir - it,

650 Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

ev - er bind - ing Age to age and soul to soul In com -
mu - nion nev - er end - ing, You we wor - ship and ex - tol.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the first line of the melody, and the second staff contains the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a mix of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: "ev - er bind - ing Age to age and soul to soul In com - mu - nion nev - er end - ing, You we wor - ship and ex - tol." The score ends with a double bar line.

Text: Timothy Rees, 1874–1939, alt.

Tune: Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse . . . Contradanseu, c. 1710, Amsterdam

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Apostles' Creed

**☩ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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.**

Apostles' Creed

☐ He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

**He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the
Father Almighty.**

**From thence He will come to judge
the living and the dead.**

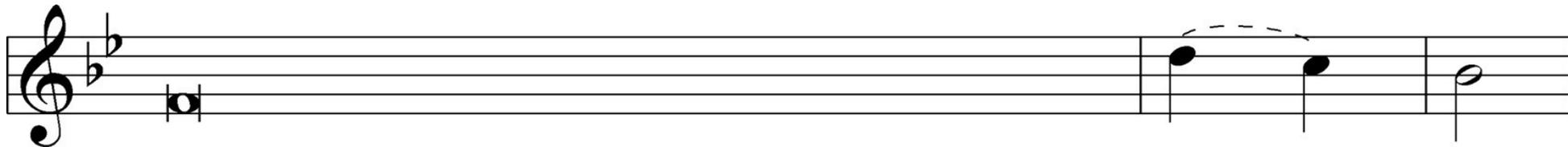
I believe in the Holy Spirit,

Apostles' Creed

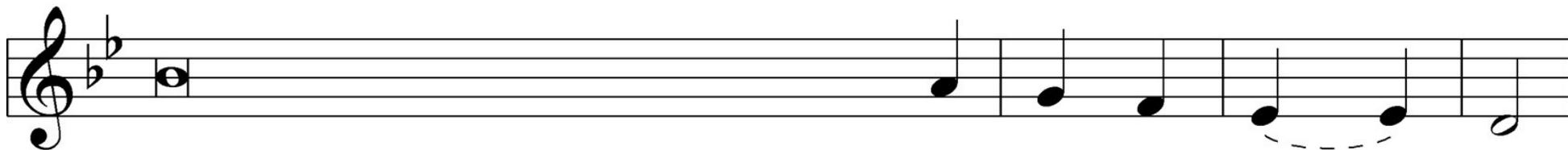


**the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✝ everlasting. Amen.**

Te Deum

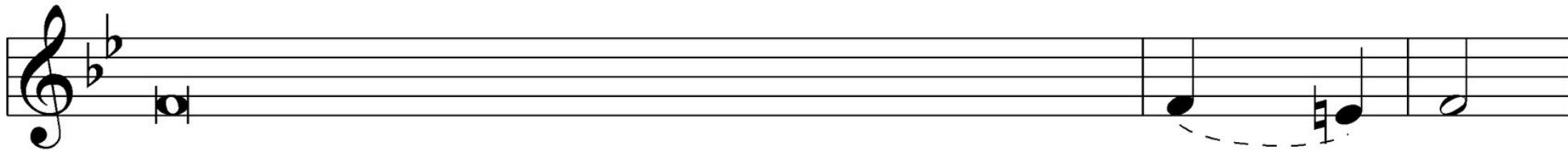


1 We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.

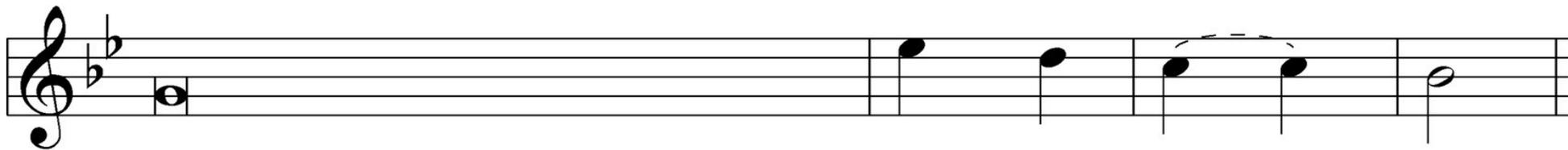


1 All the earth now worships You, the Fa-ther ev - er - last - ing.

Te Deum



1 To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs there-in.



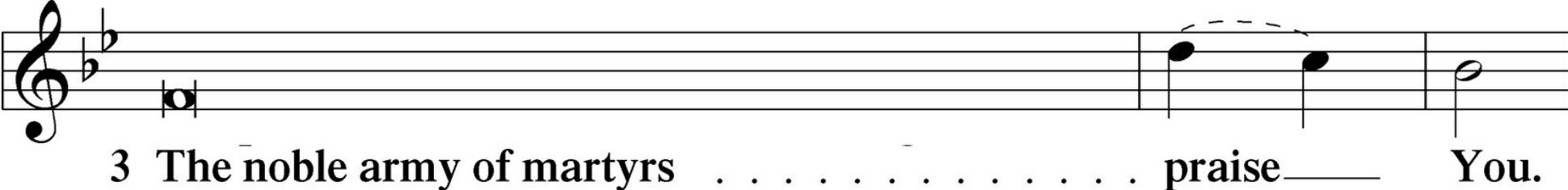
1 To You cherubim and seraphim con - tin - ual - ly do cry:

Te Deum

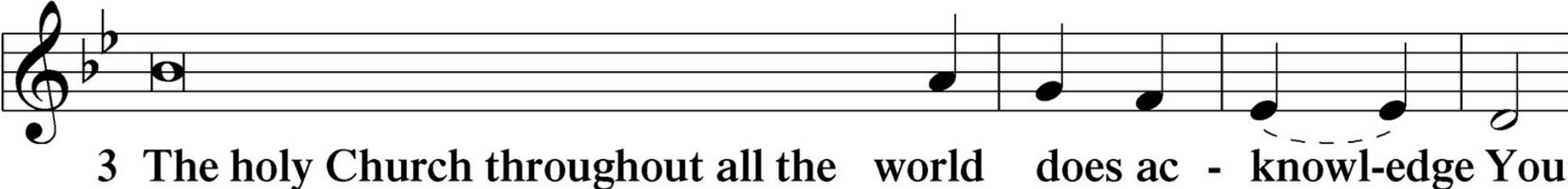
2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sab - a - oth;

2 heaven and earth are full of the majes - ty of Your glo - ry.

Te Deum

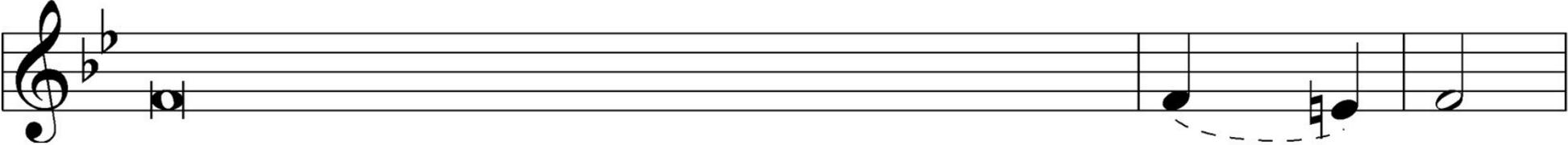


3 The noble army of martyrs praise ——— You.

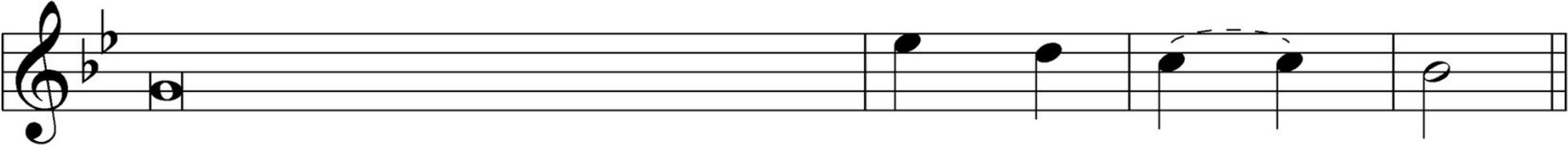


3 The holy Church throughout all the world does ac - knowl-edge You:

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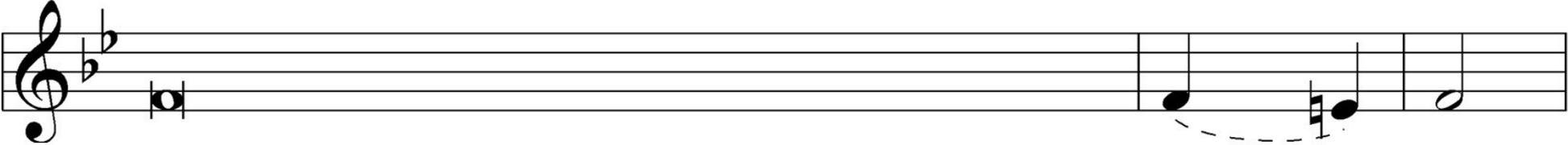


3 The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and on - ly Son;

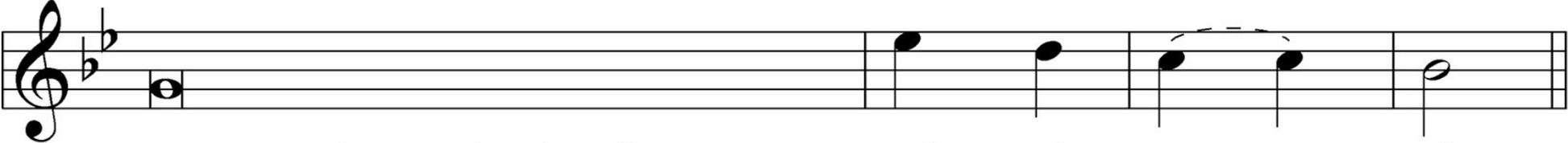


3 also the Holy Ghost, the Com - fort - er.

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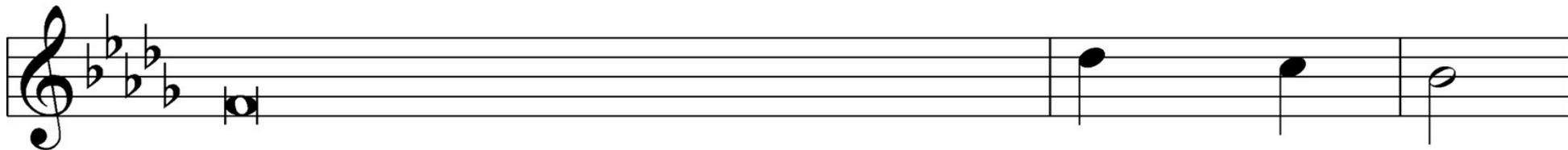


4 You are the king of glory, O Christ;

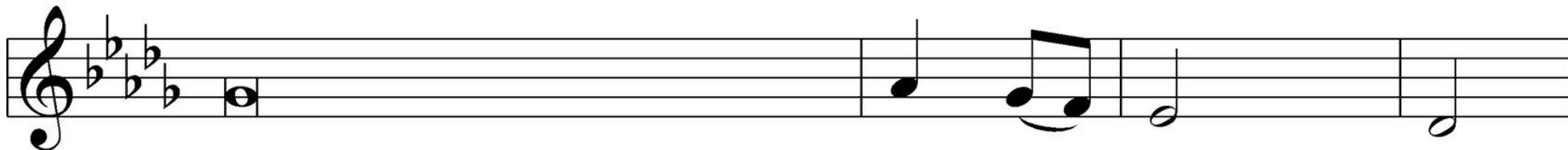


4 You are the everlasting Son of the Fa - ther.

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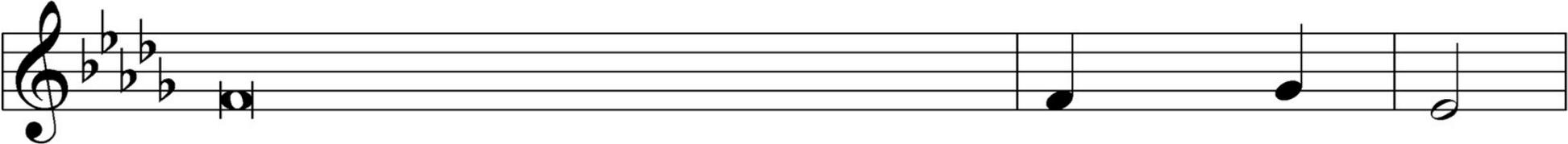


5 When You took upon Yourself to de - liv - er man,

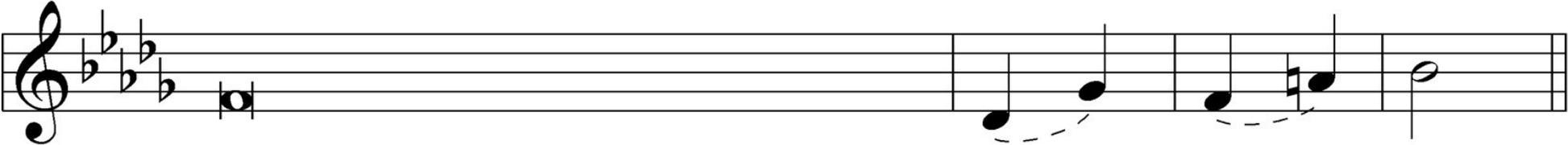


5 You humbled Yourself to be born of a vir - gin.

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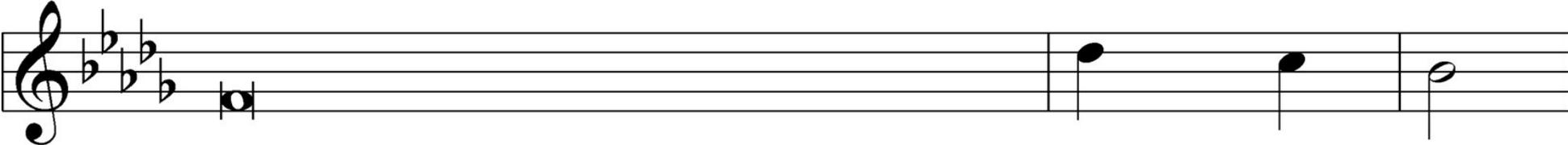


5 When You had overcome the sharpness of death,

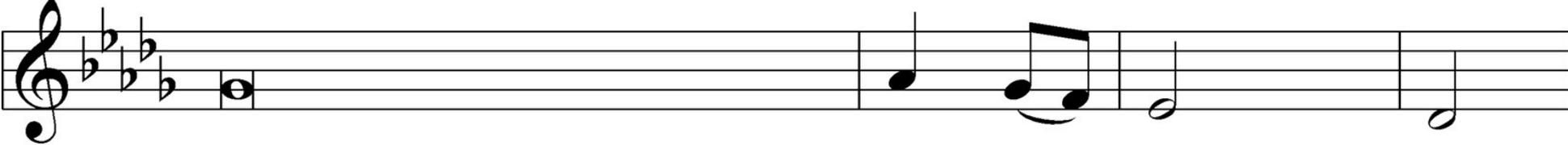


5 You opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.

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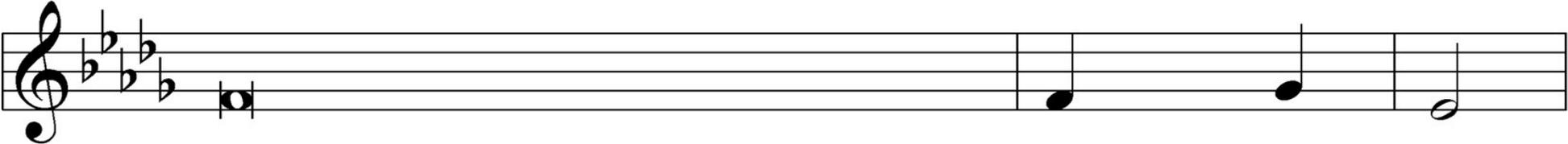


6 You sit at the right hand of God

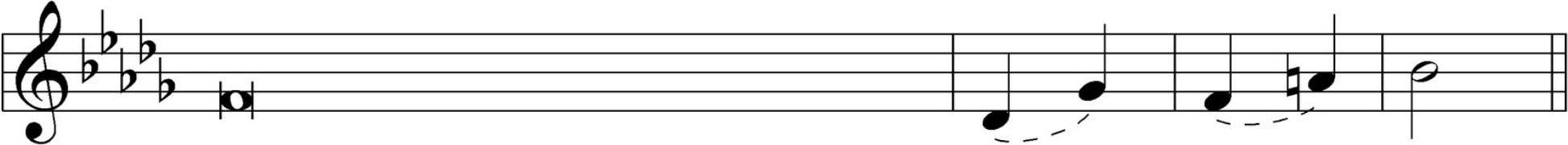


6 in the glory of the Fa - ther.

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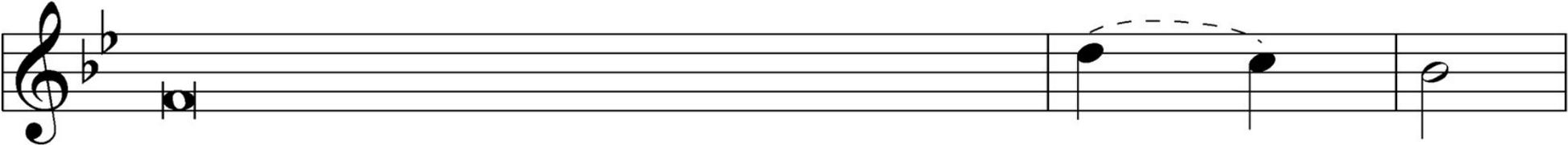


6 We believe that You will come

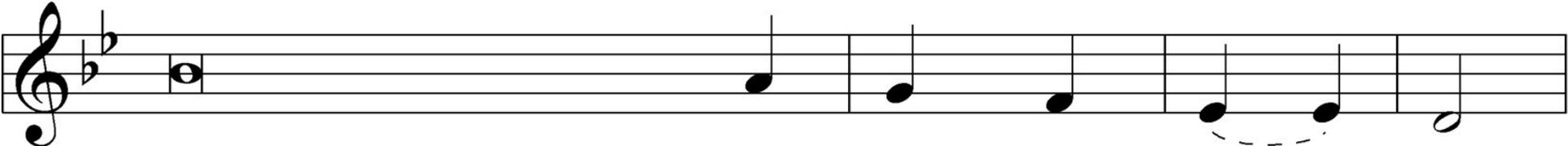


6 to be _____ our _____ judge.

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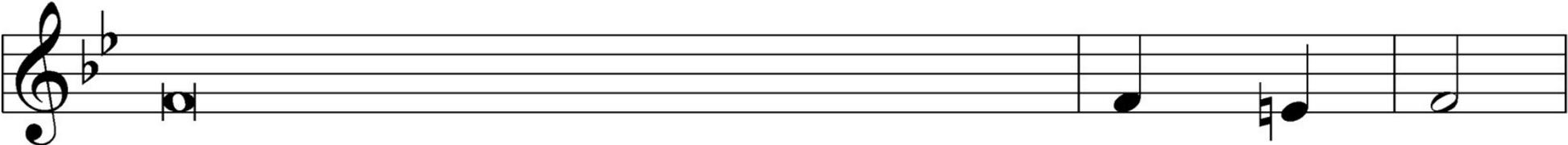


7 We therefore pray You to help Your ser - vants,

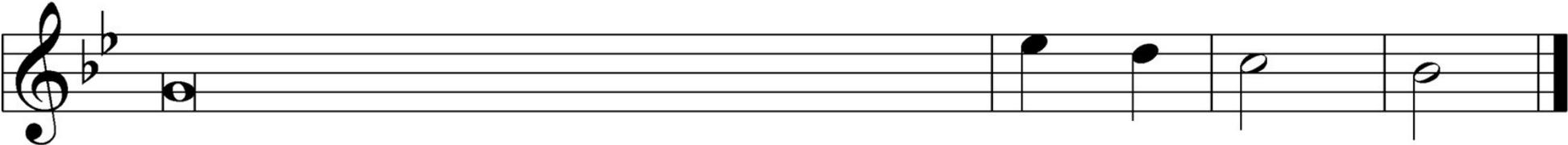


7 whom You have redeem - ed with Your pre - cious blood.

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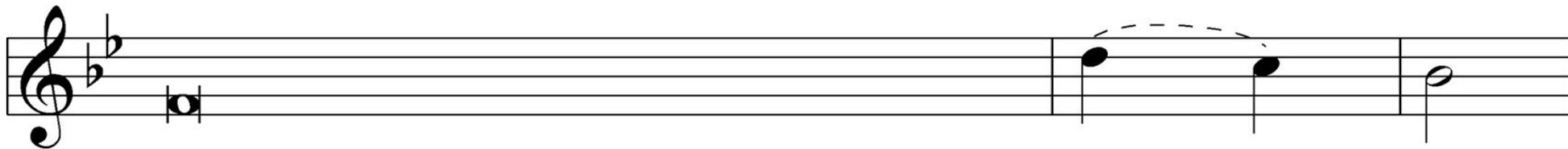


7 Make them to be numbered with Your saints



7 in glory ev - er - last - ing.

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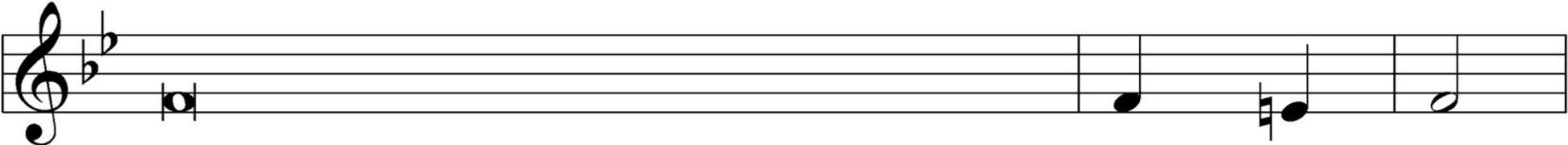


8 O Lord, save Your people and bless Your . . . her - i - tage.

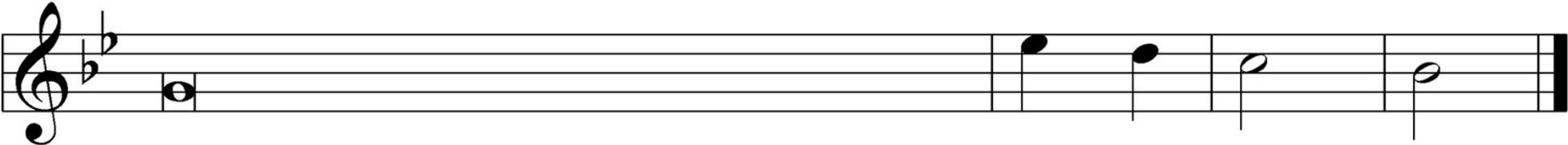


8 Govern them and lift them up for - ev - er.

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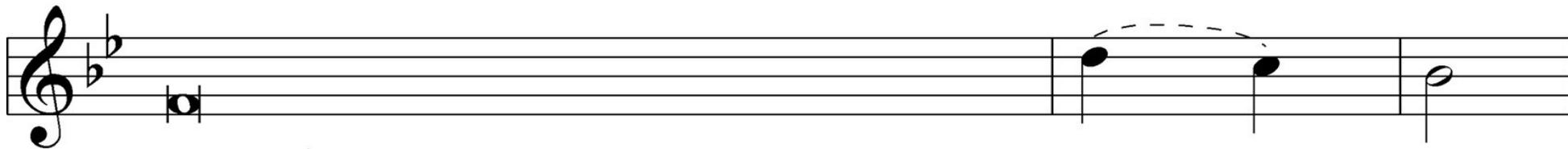


8 Day by day we magni - fy You.



8 And we worship Your name for - ever and ev - er.

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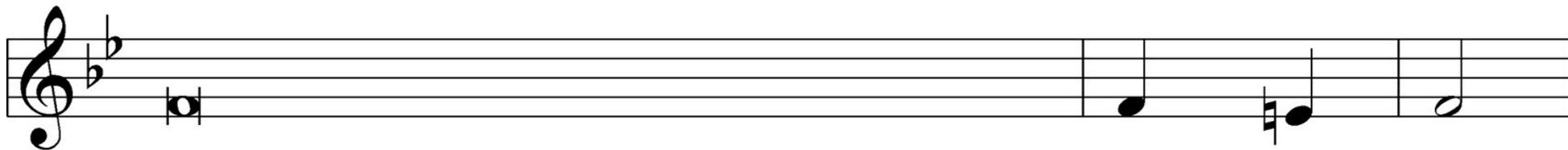


9 Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day with - out _____ sin.

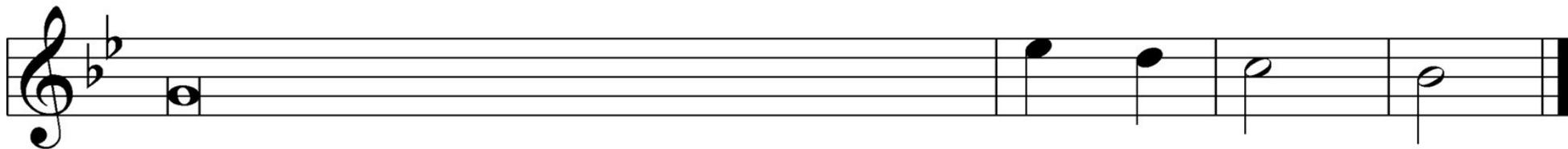


9 O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy up - on _____ us.

Te Deum



9 O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust is in You.



9 O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never be con - found - ed.

Offering

Kyrie



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

P ...Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

P ...let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

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**

Lord's Prayer



**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.**

Collect for the Word

P O Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life;

Collect for the Word

P through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Benedicamus

L Let us bless the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

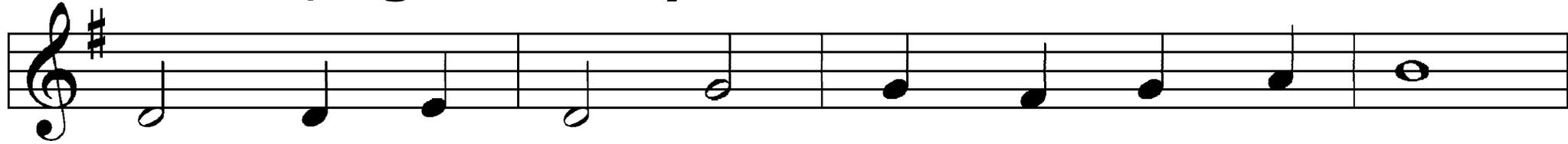
P The grace of our Lord ✝ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.



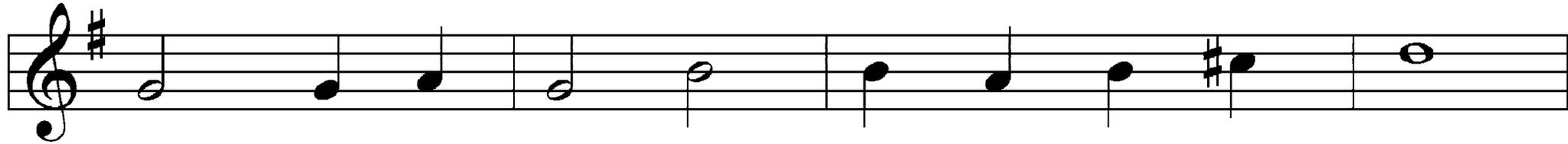
C A - men.

The image shows a musical staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of six notes: A4, B4, A4, G4, F4, and E4. A slur is placed under the first three notes (A, B, A). Below the staff, the word 'Amen' is written in a bold, sans-serif font, with a square 'C' time signature symbol to the left of the 'A'. The 'A' is aligned with the first note, the hyphen is under the second note, and 'men.' is aligned with the third note.

917 Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise

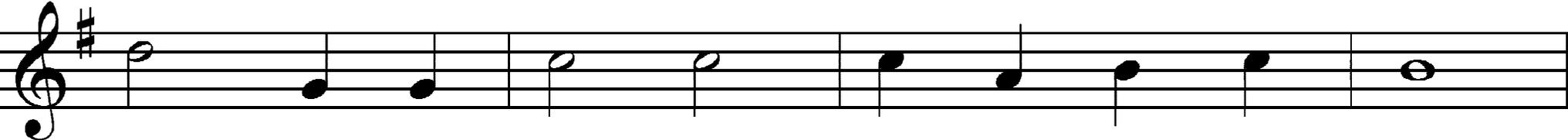


1 Sav - ior, a - gain to Thy dear name we raise

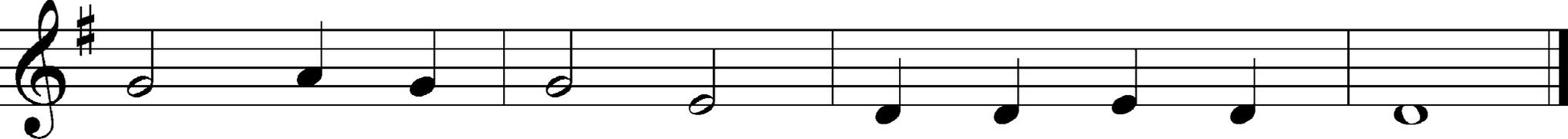


With one ac - cord our part - ing hymn of praise;

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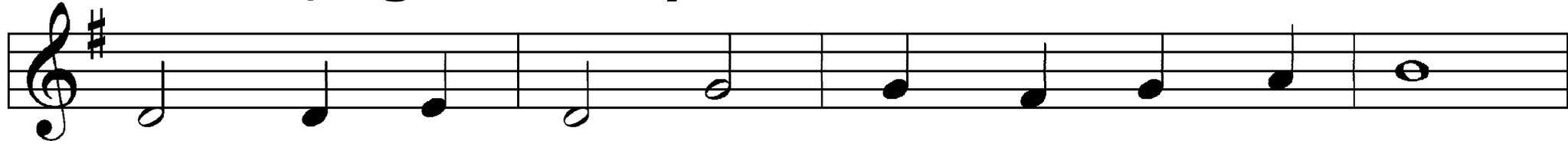


Once more we bless Thee ere our wor - ship cease,

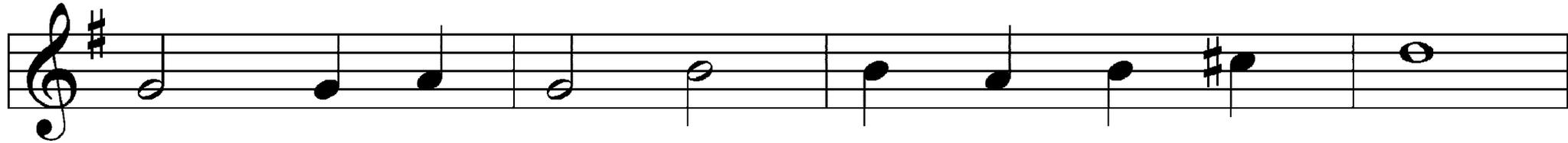


Then, low - ly bend - ing, wait Thy word of peace.

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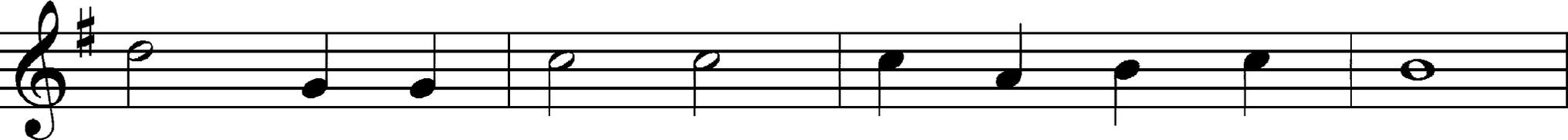


2 Grant us Thy peace up - on our home - ward way;

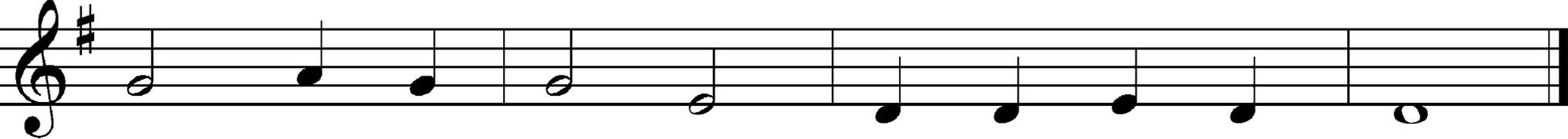


With Thee be - gan, with Thee shall end, the day.

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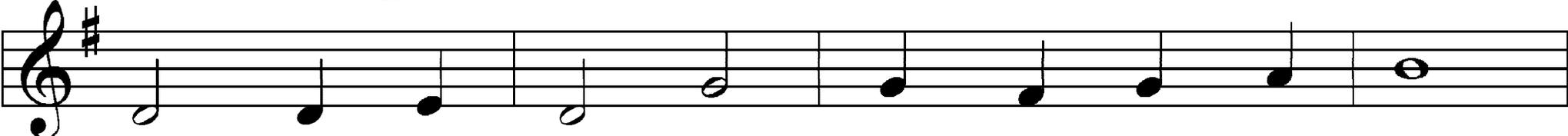


Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,

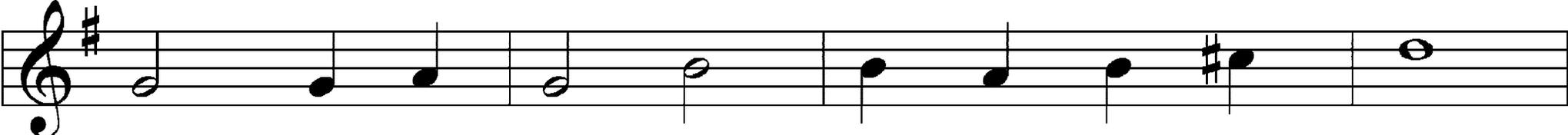


That in this house have called up - on Thy name.

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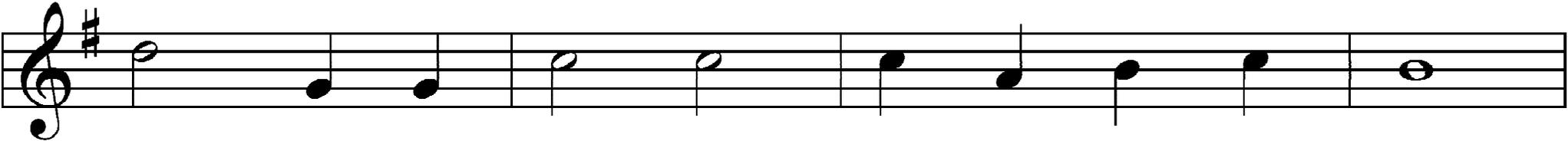


3 Grant us Thy peace, Lord, through the com - ing night;

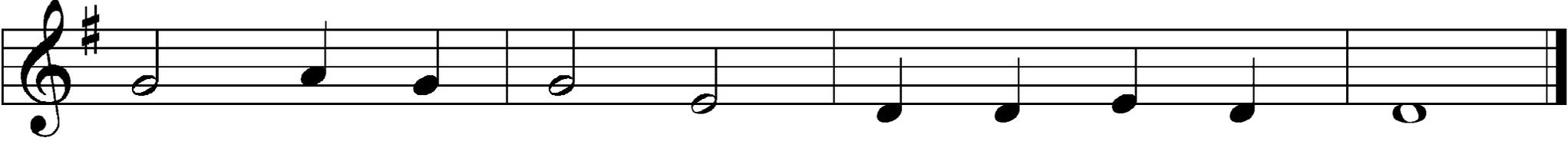


Turn Thou for us its dark - ness in - to light.

917 Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise



From harm and dan - ger keep Thy chil - dren free;



For dark and light are both a - like to Thee.

917 Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise

4

Grant us Thy peace through - out our earth - ly life,

Our balm in sor - row and our stay in strife;

917 Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise

Then, when Thy voice shall bid our con - flict cease,
Call us, O Lord, to Thine e - ter - nal peace.

The image shows a two-staff musical score in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The notes are: Staff 1: G4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), D5 (quarter), G4 (half), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), D5 (quarter), G4 (half). Staff 2: G4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), D5 (quarter), G4 (half), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), D5 (quarter), G4 (half). The piece ends with a double bar line.

Text: John Ellerton, 1826–93
Tune: Edward J. Hopkins, 1818–1901
Text and tune: Public domain

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Go in peace and
serve the Lord.

**Thanks be
to God.**

