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Hear the Sounds of Christmas

(with Children's Choir)

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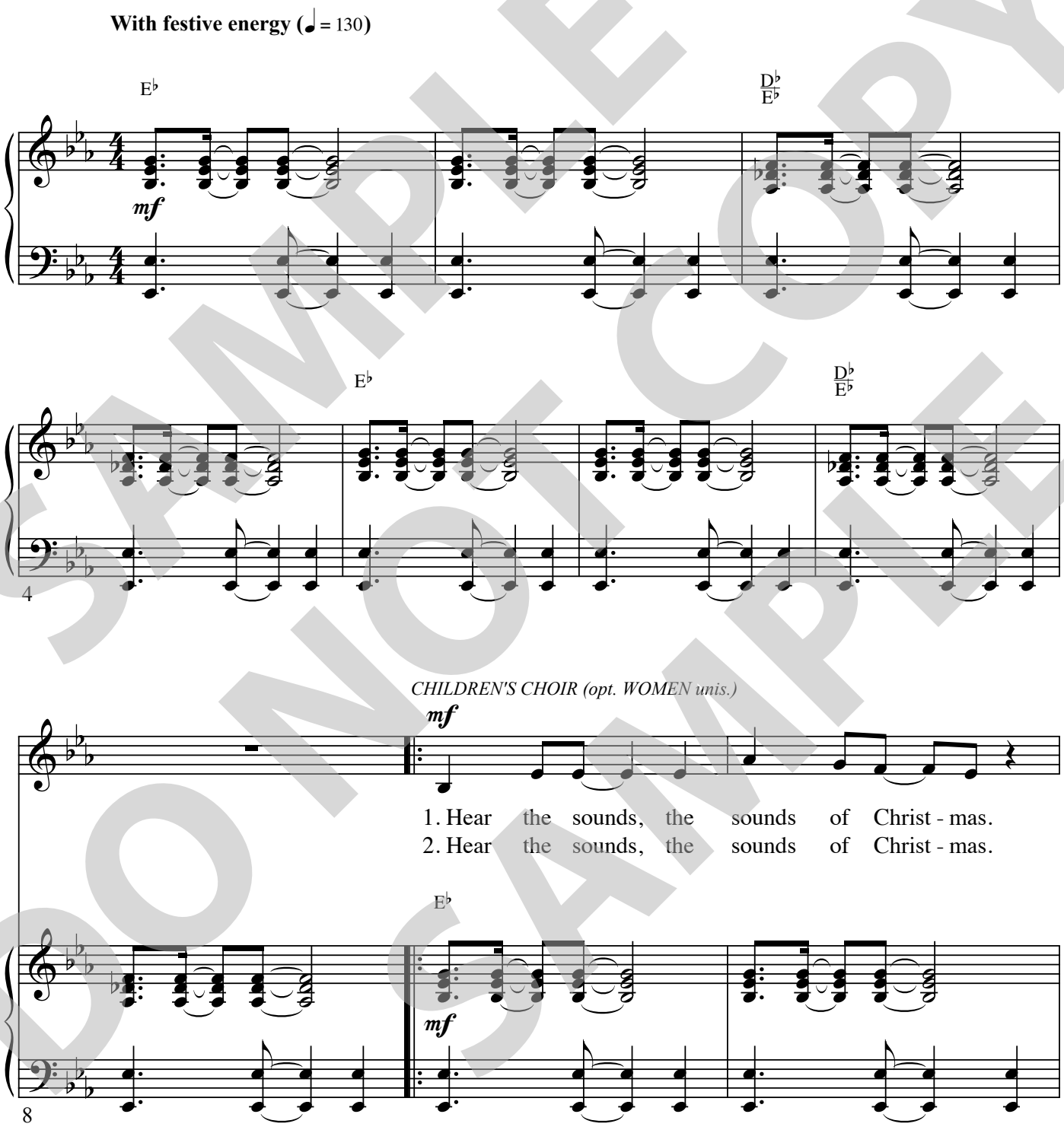

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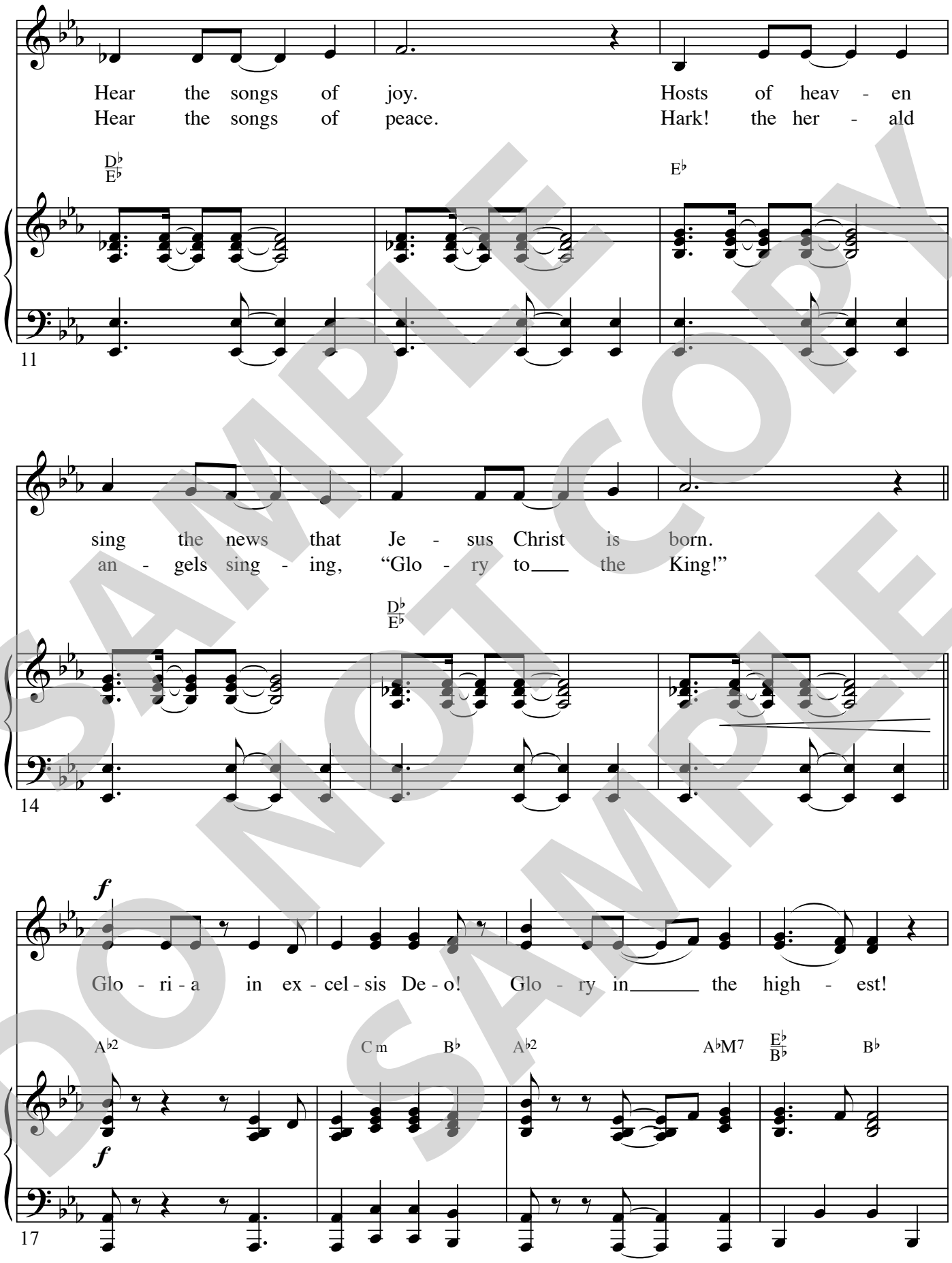

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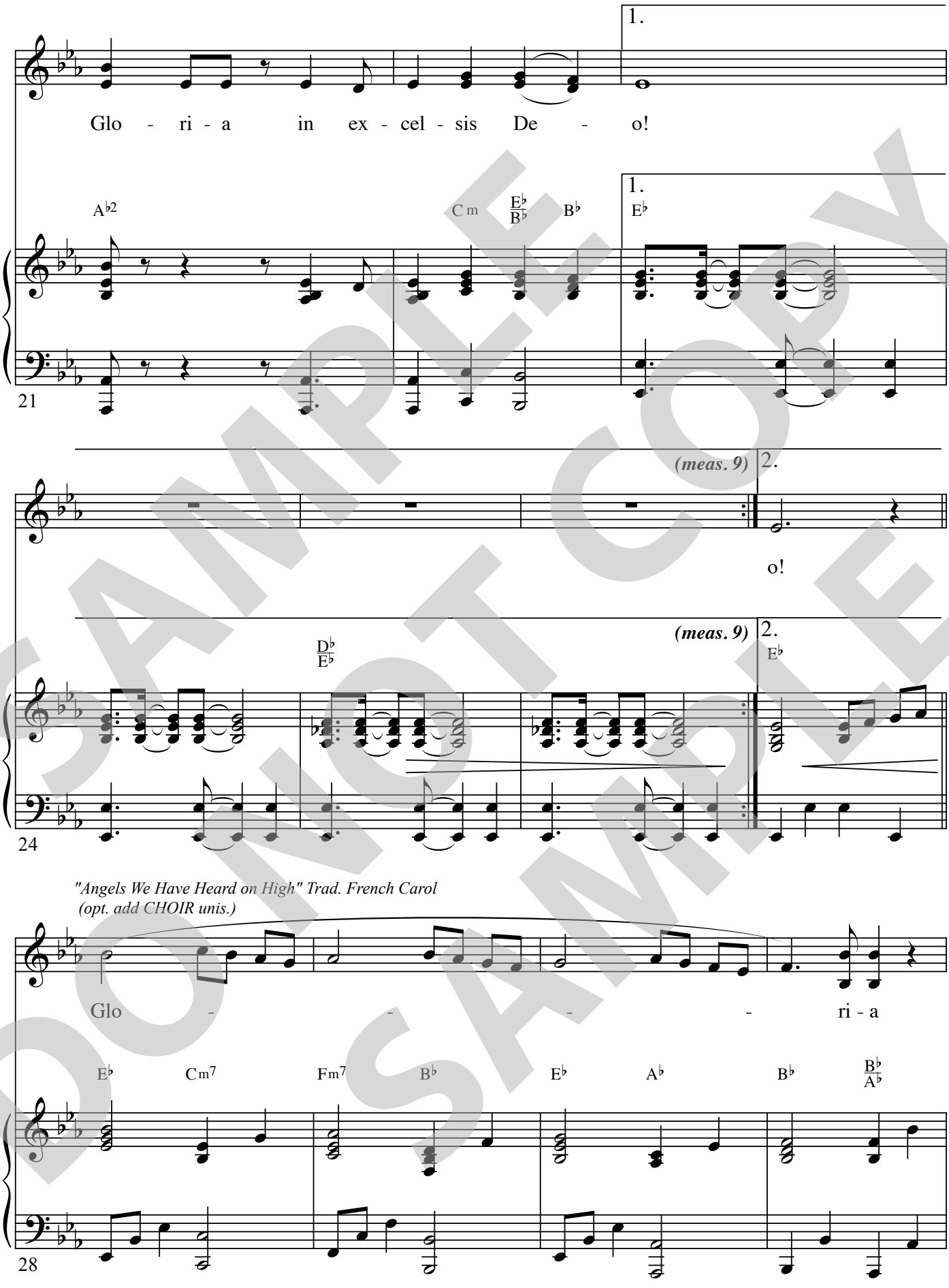

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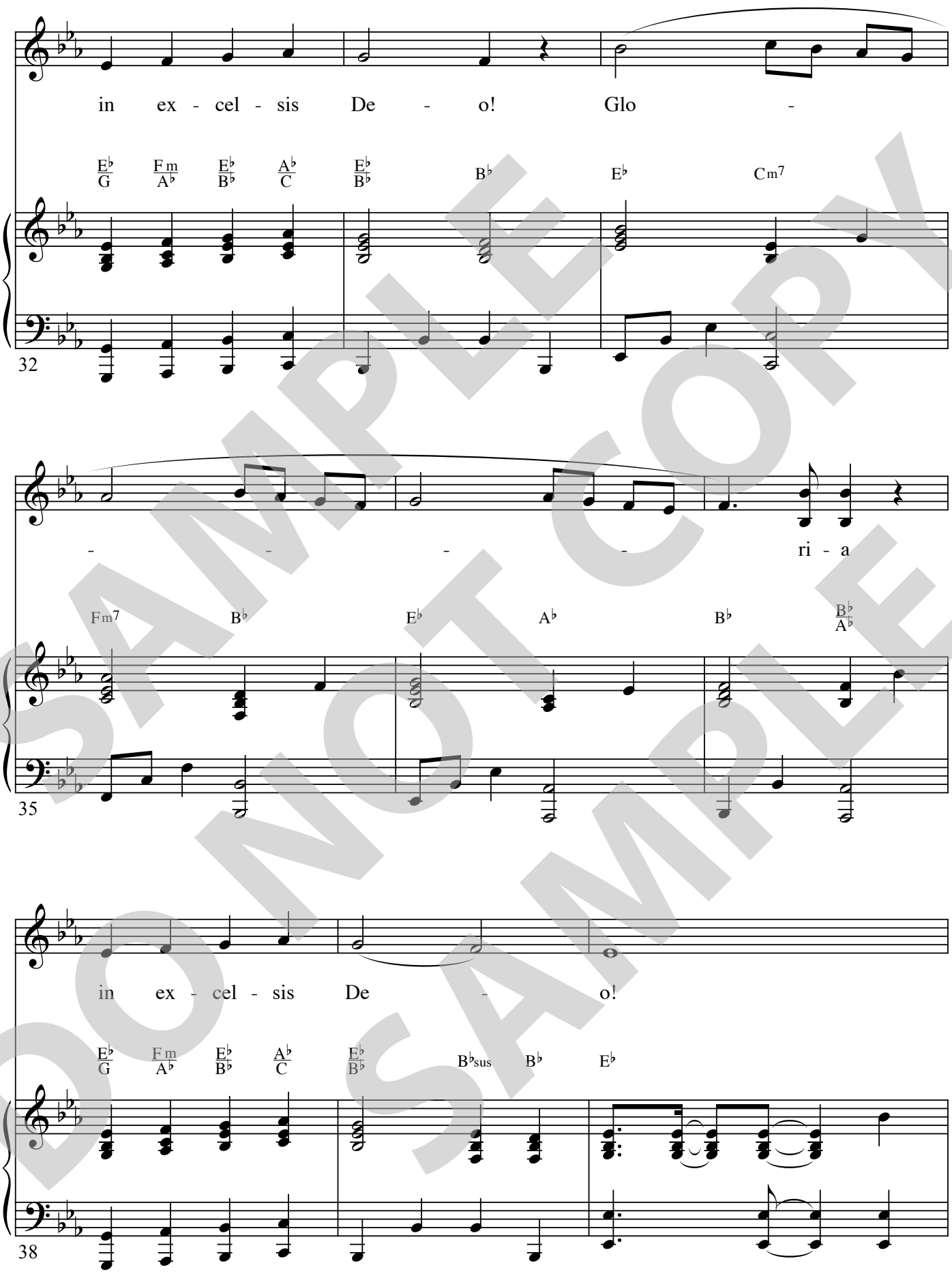

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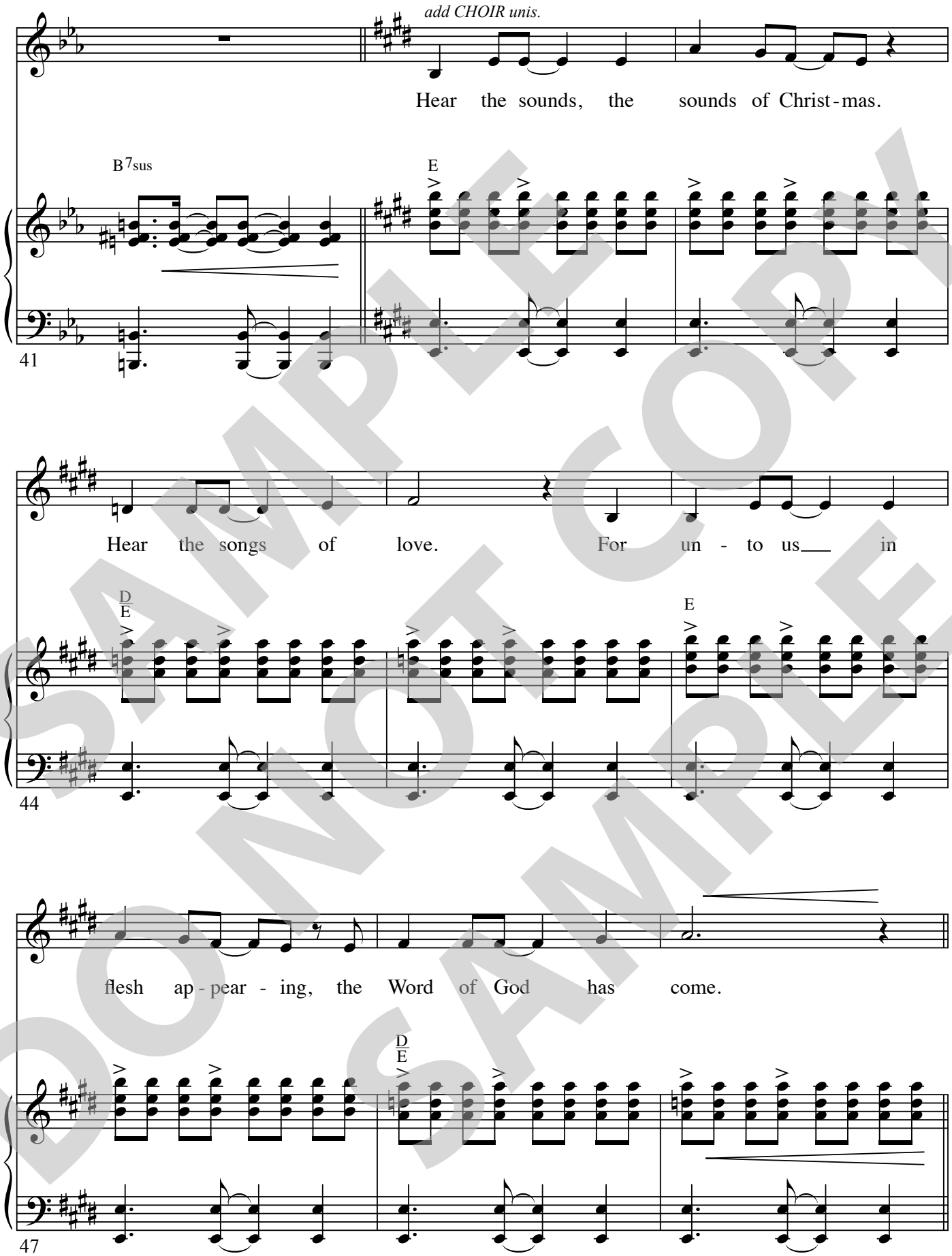

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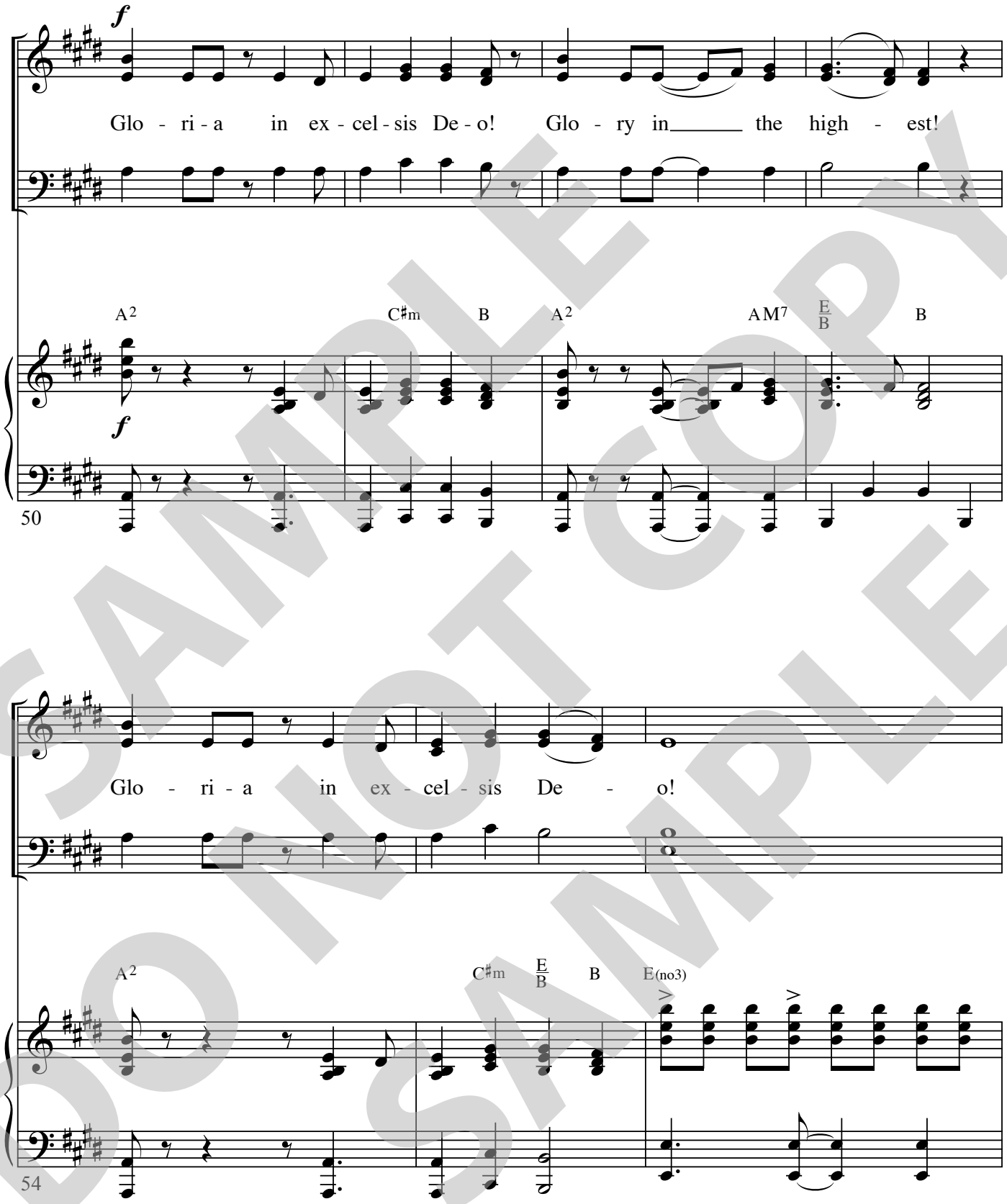

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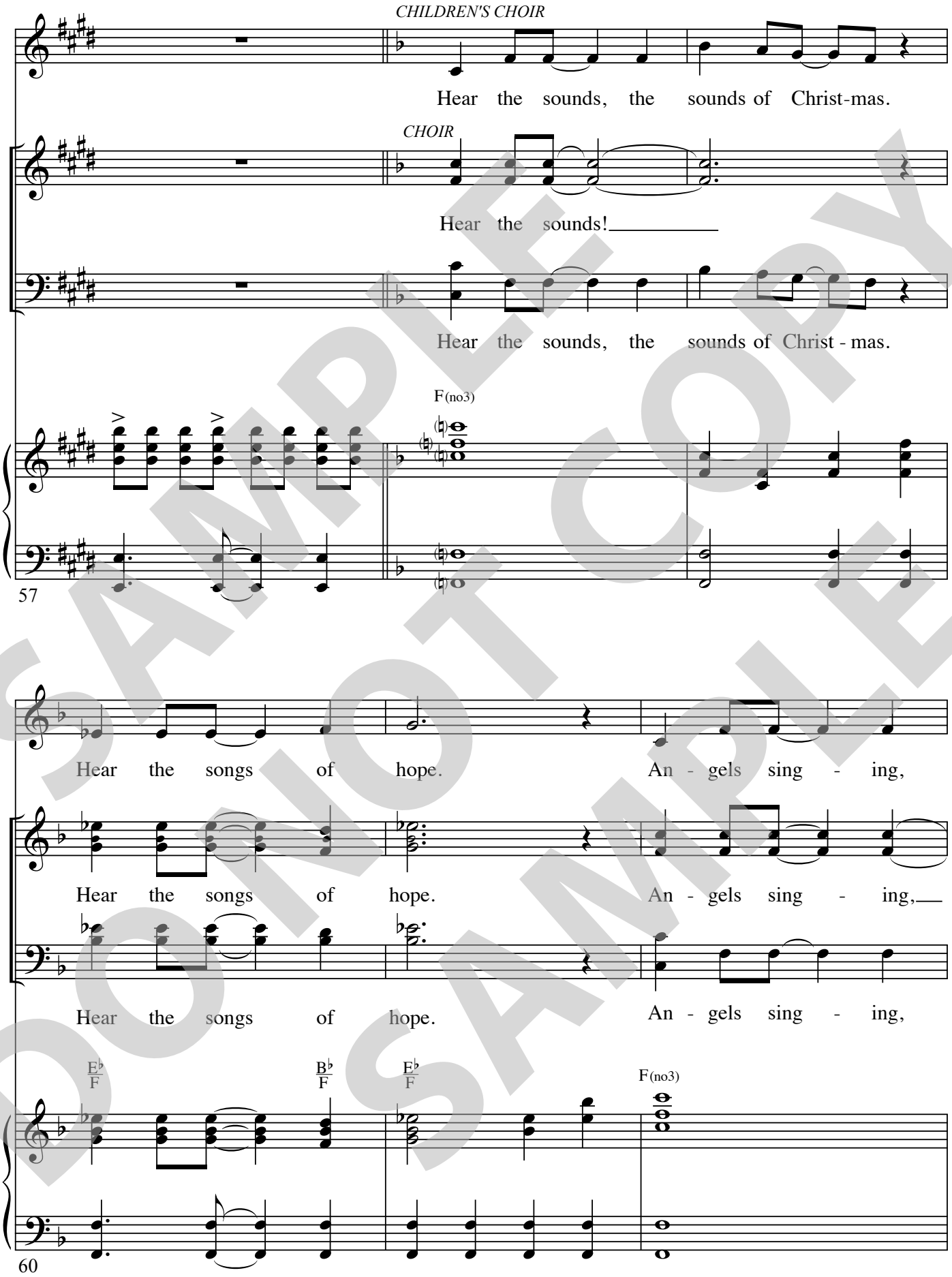

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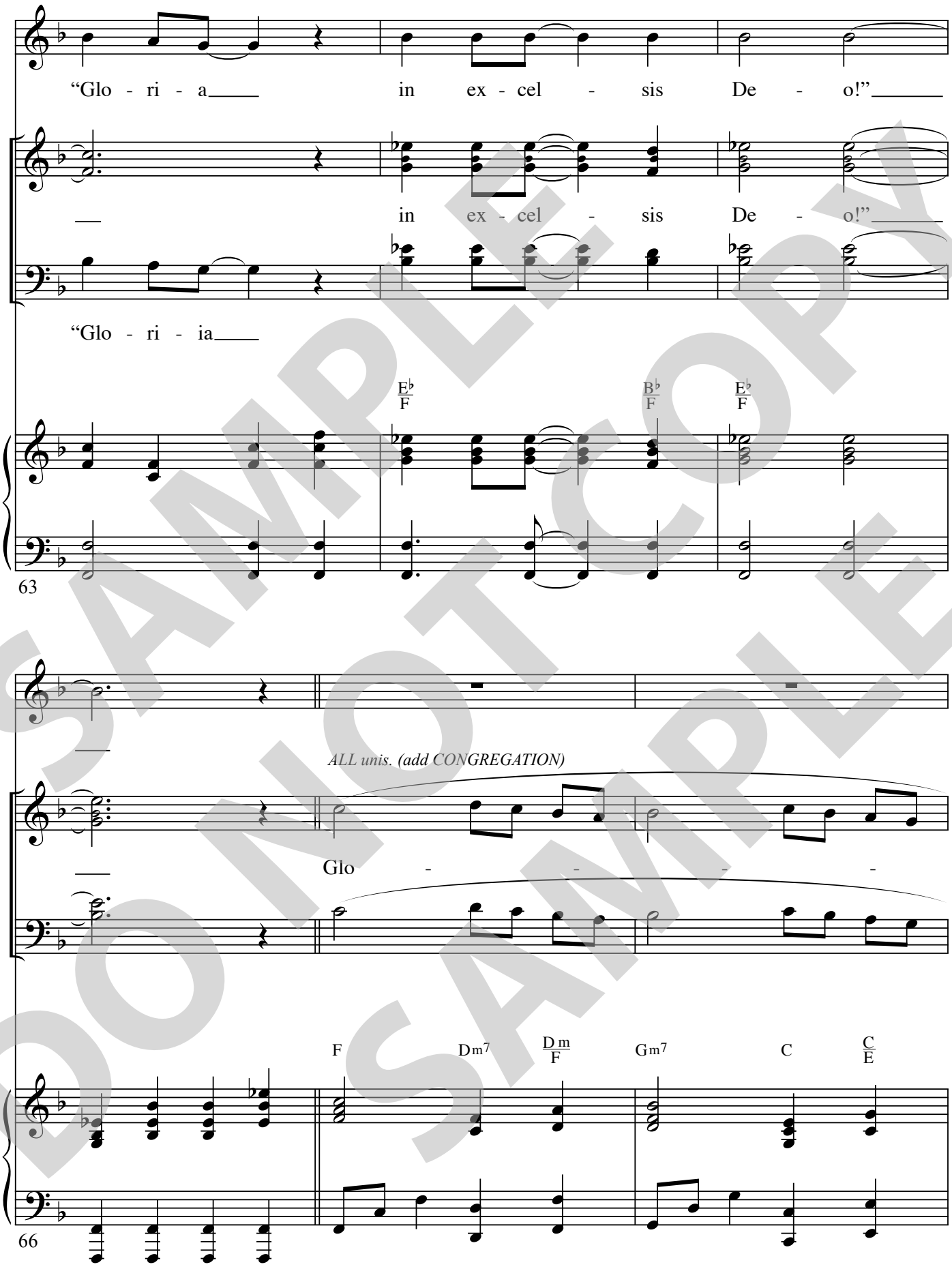

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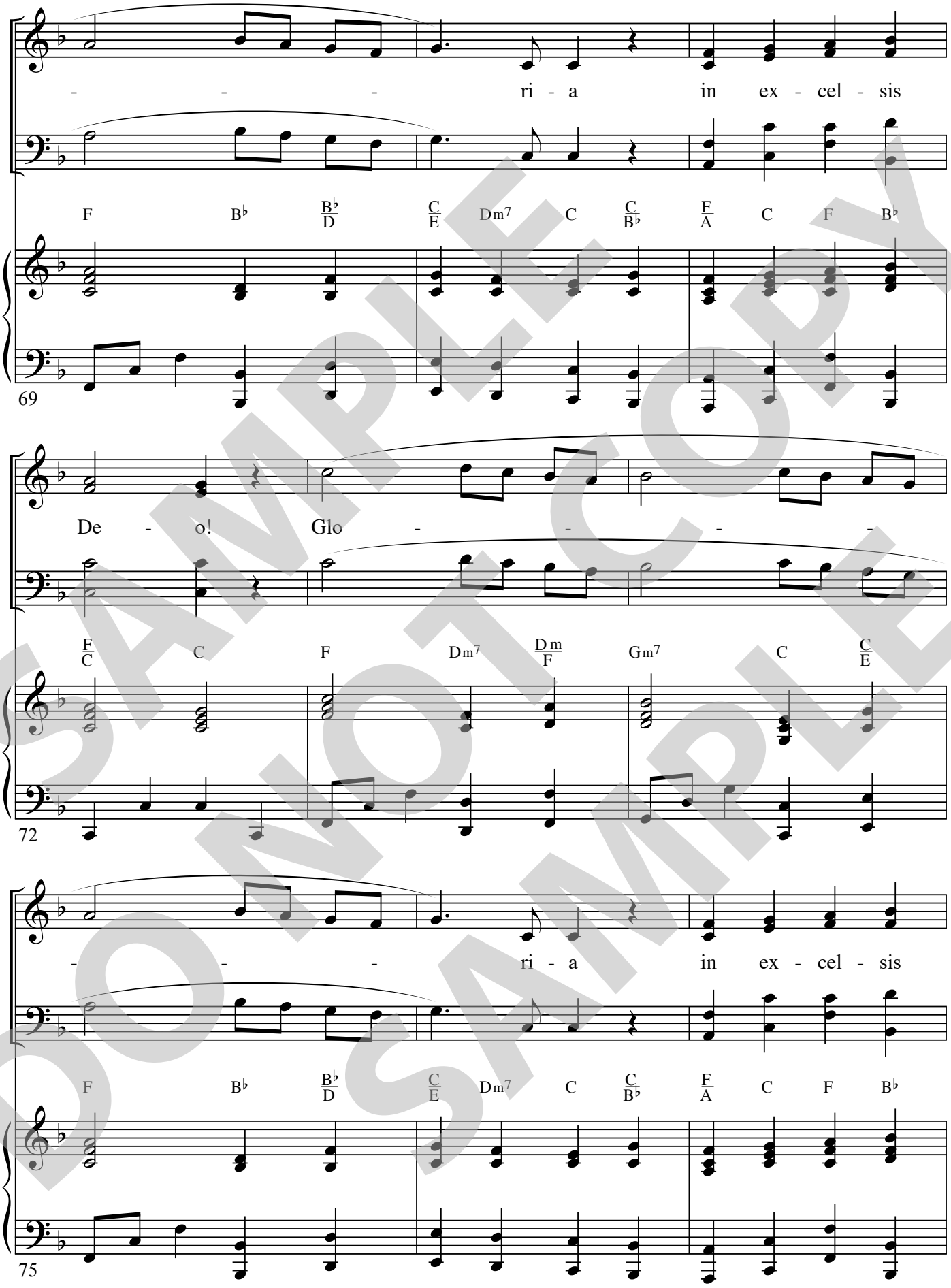

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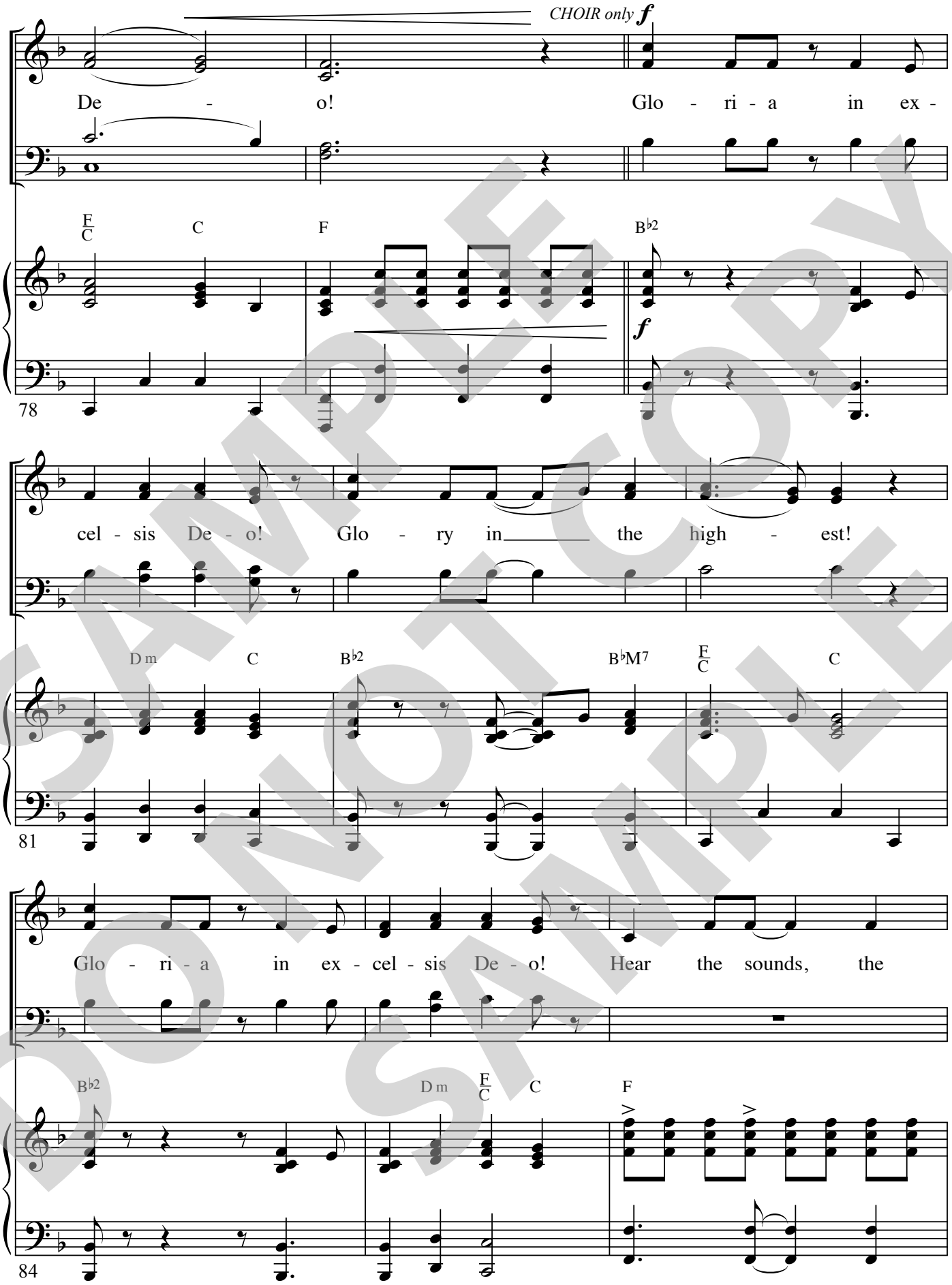

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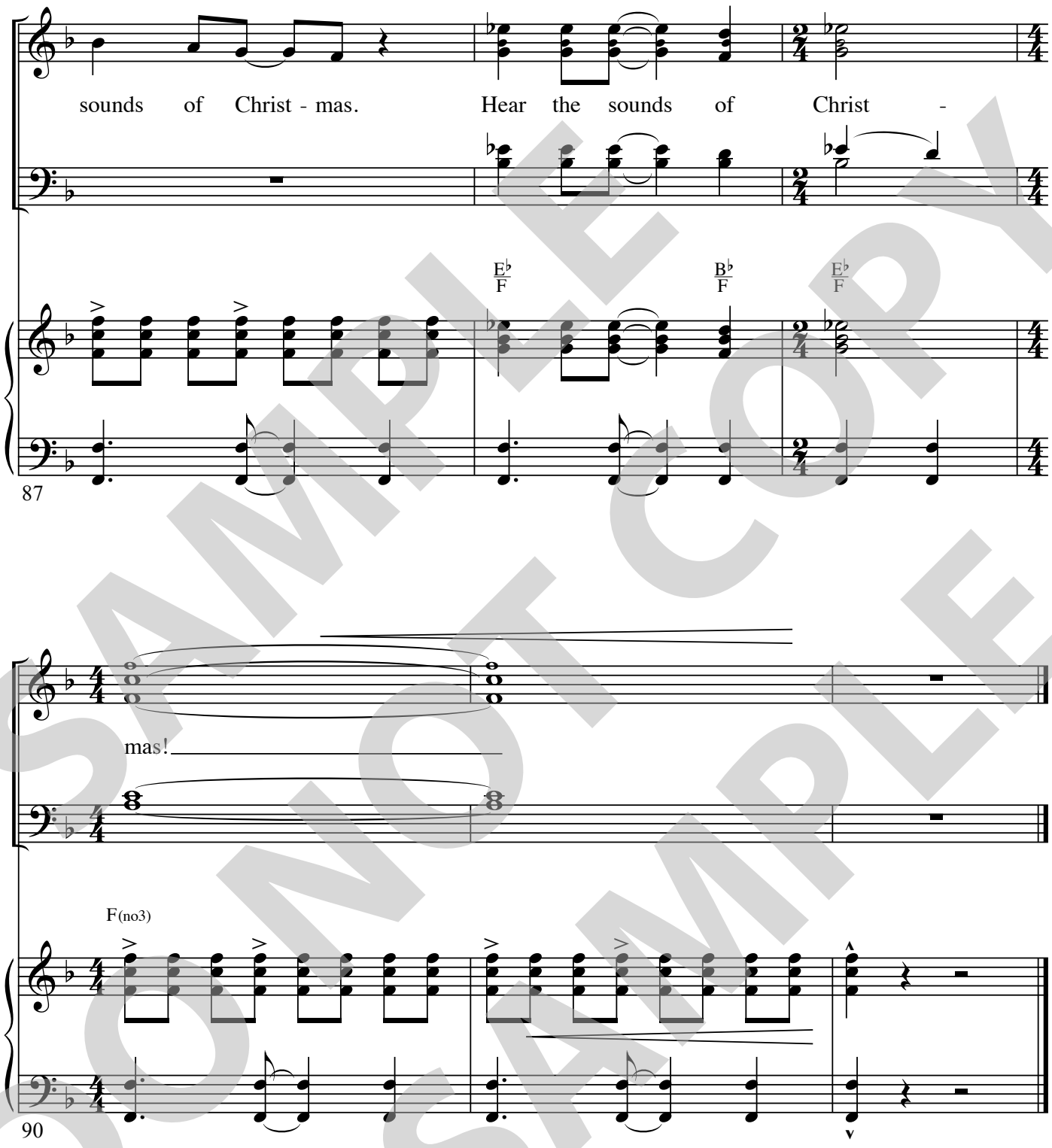

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Narrator 1:
A Christmas to Remember:
Christmas is a time of joy. It's a time of hope. It brings people together.
It brings families together. From near and far, we come together for Christmas,
and we long to be with our loved ones as we celebrate the birth of Christ.

Each Christmas is special in its own way, and as we look back,
we recall many of the tender moments from Christmases gone by,
and we look forward to making new memories with the ones we love.

One of my favorite memories and a tradition that I still hold dear,
is decorating our home and preparing for this very special time
while listening to the wonderful songs that sing of Christ's birth
and tell the story of the first Christmas.

Sing: The First Noel

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The First Noel

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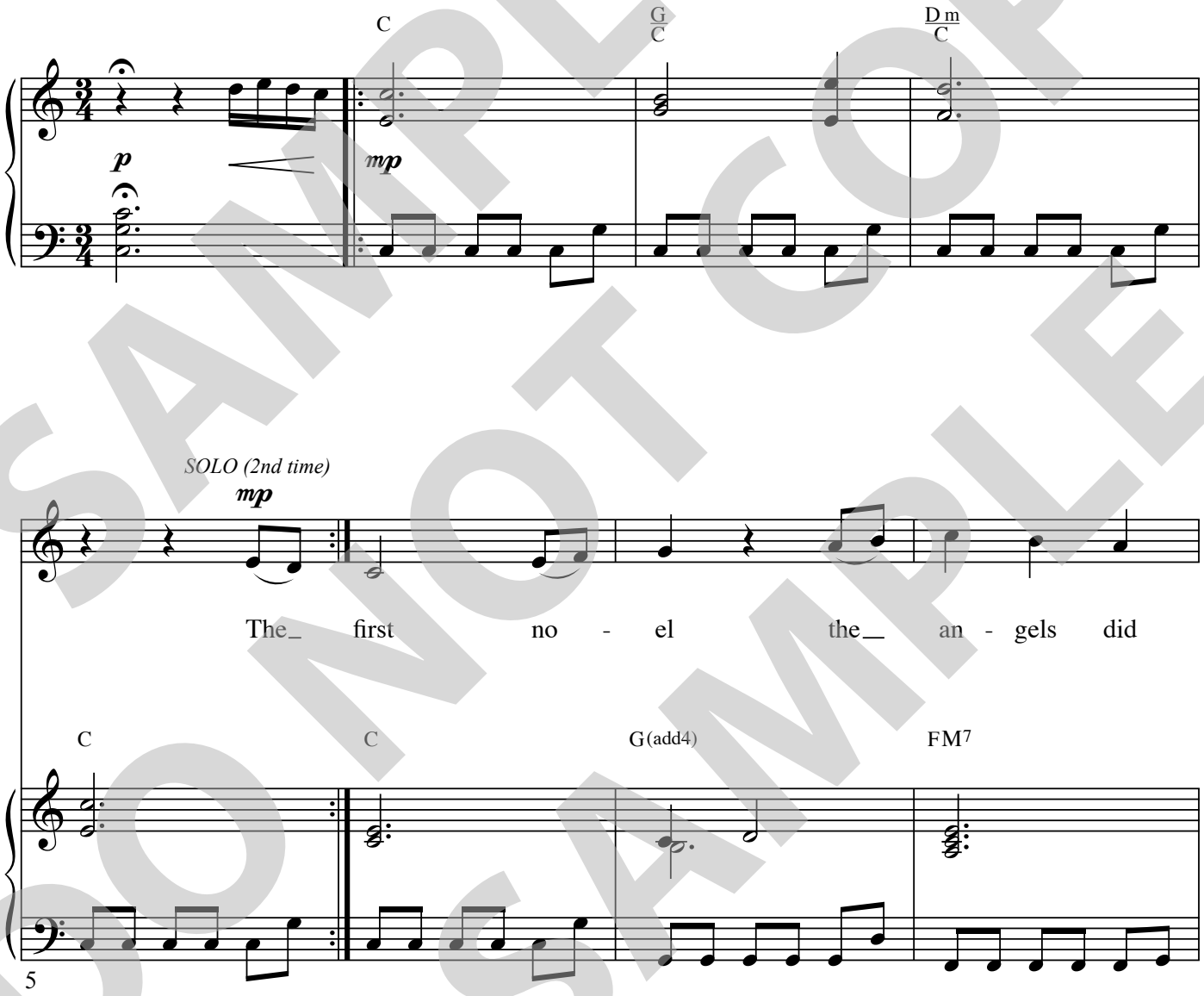
JEFF JANSEN

Steadily (♩ = 80)



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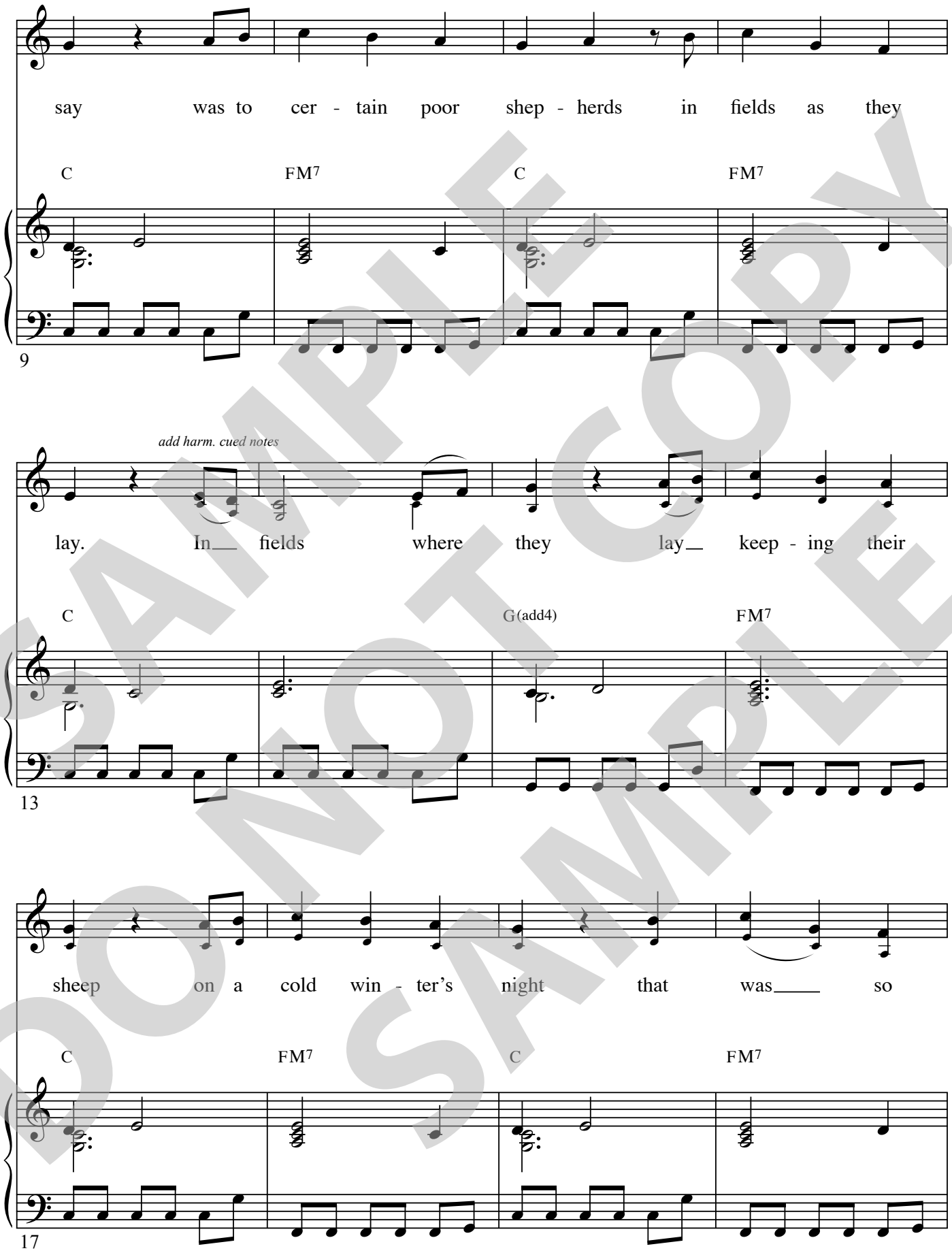

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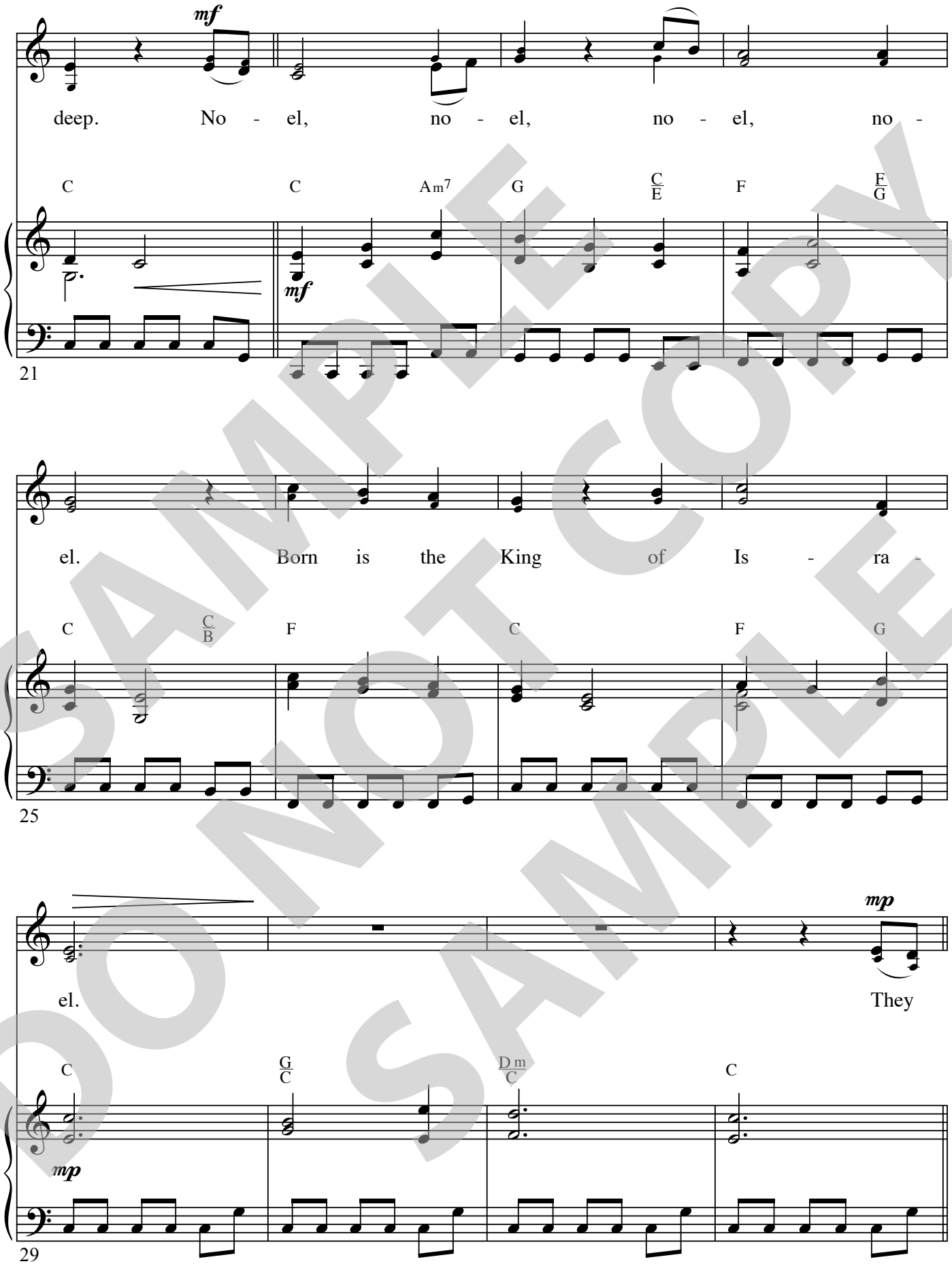

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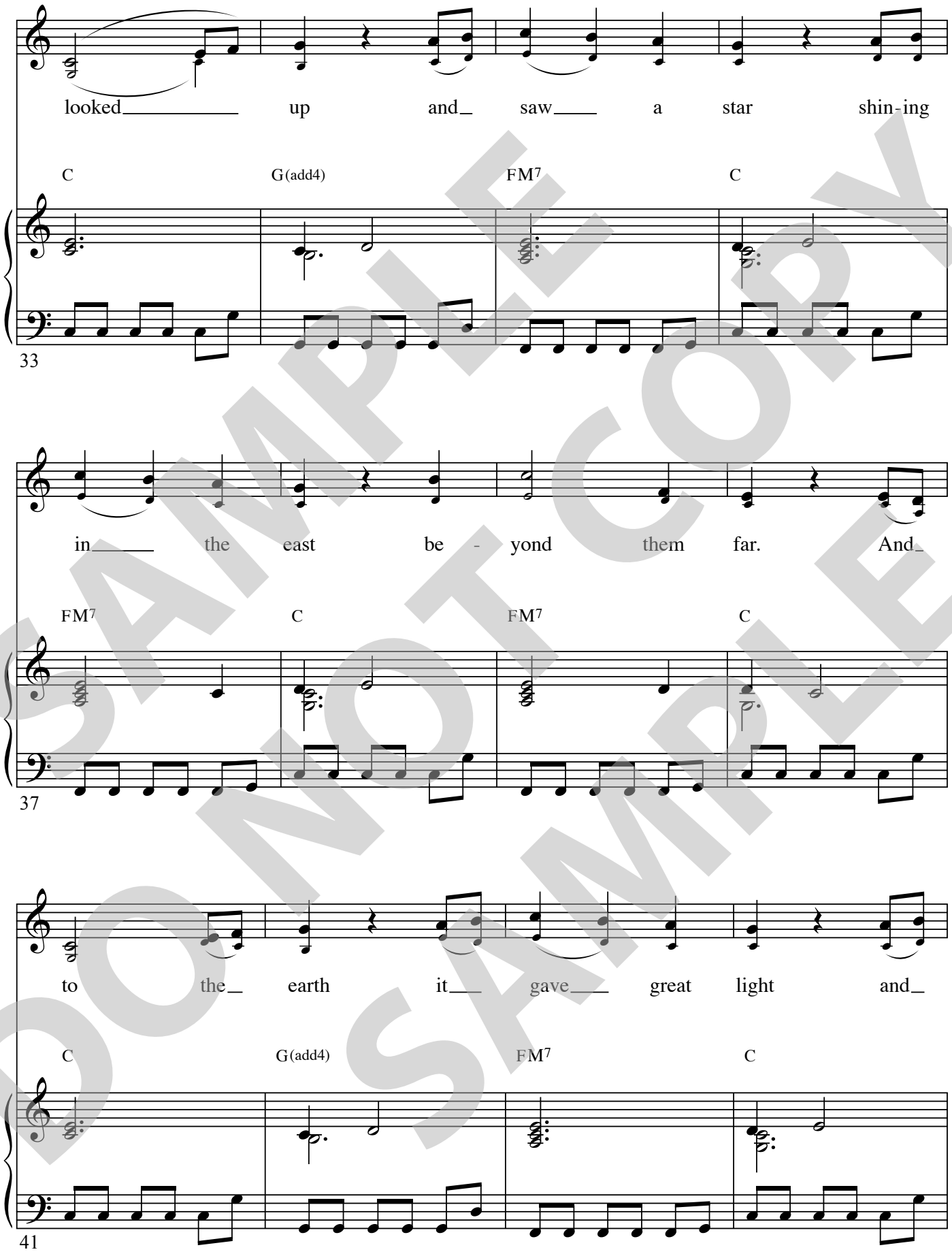

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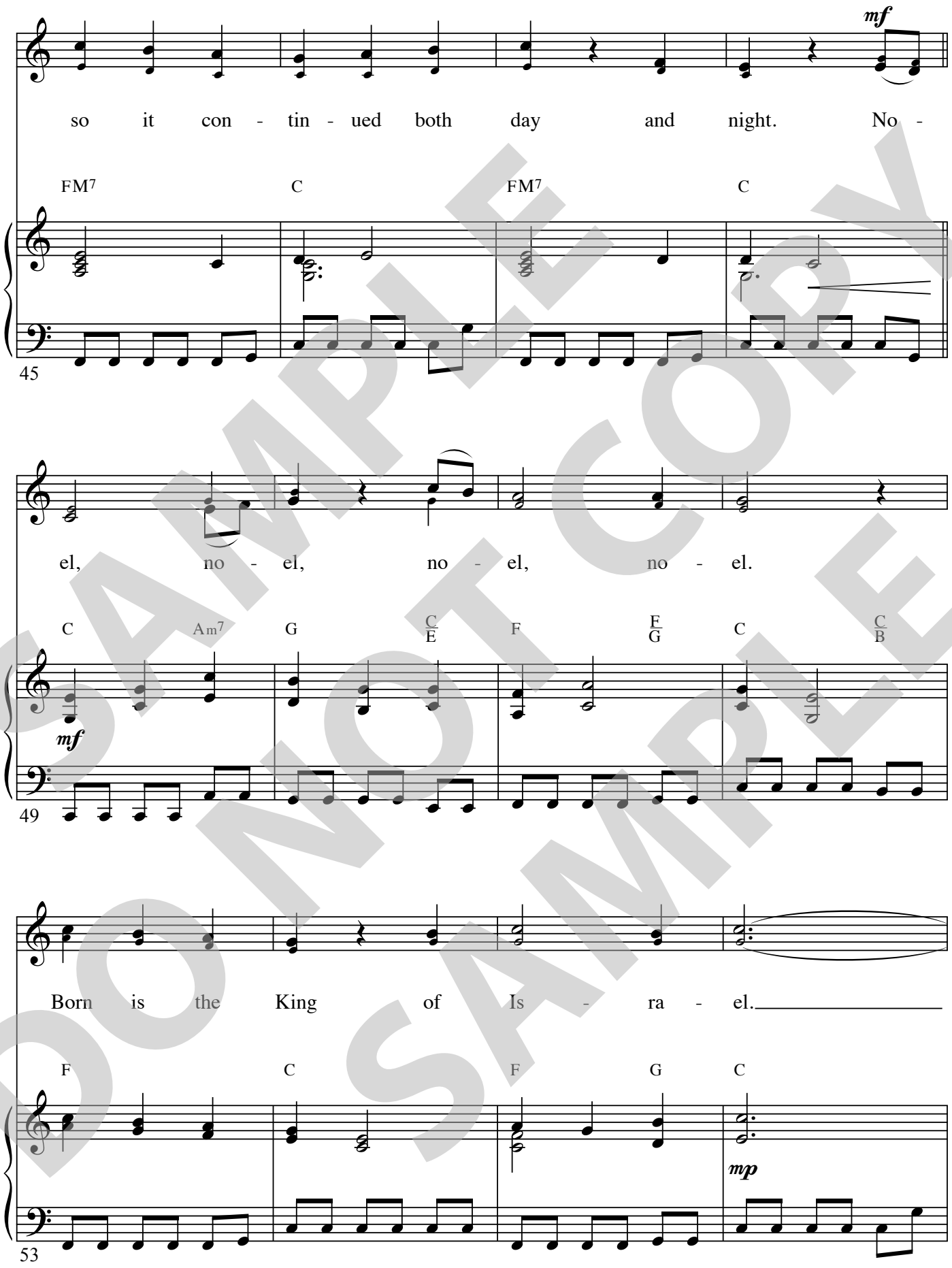

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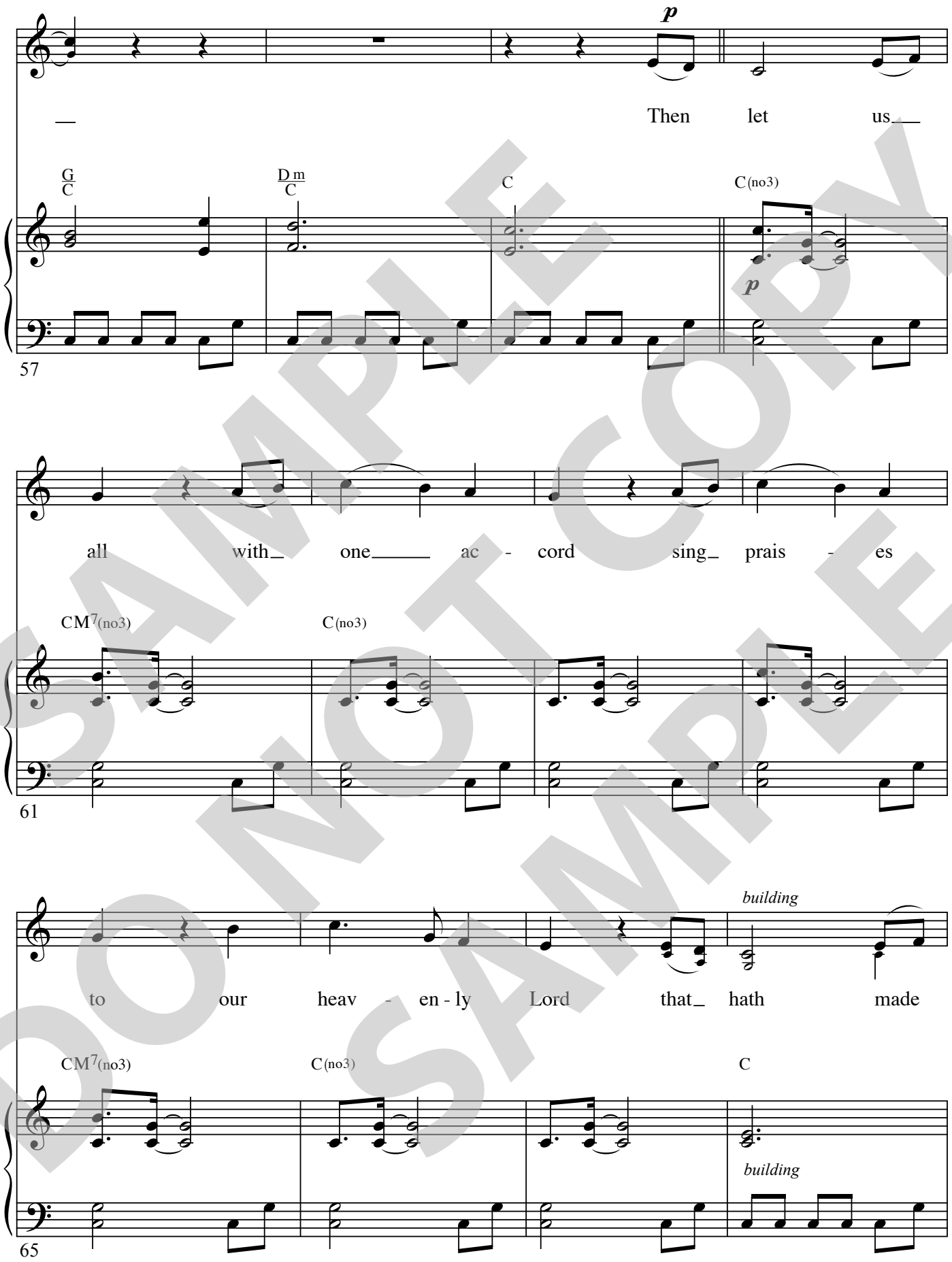

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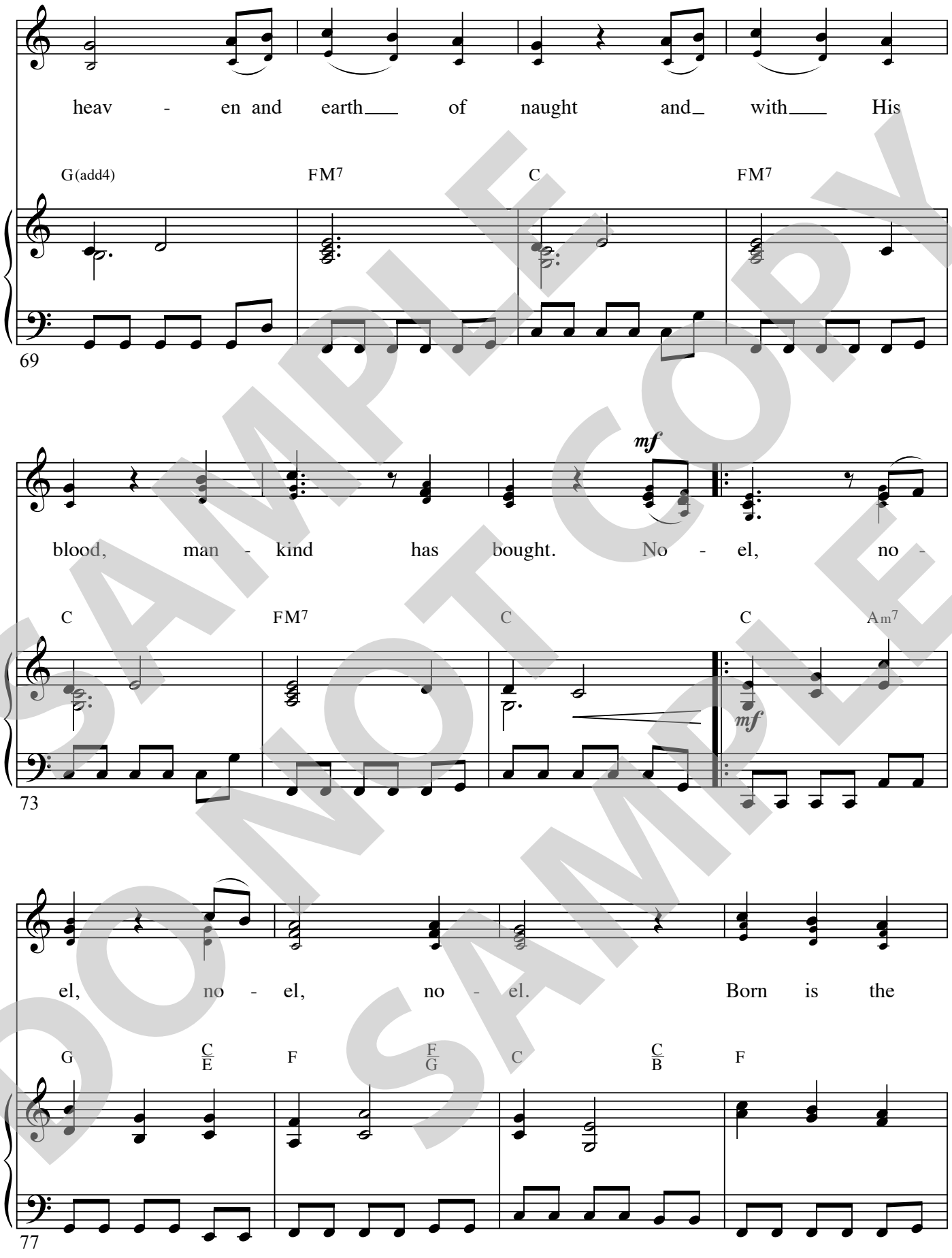

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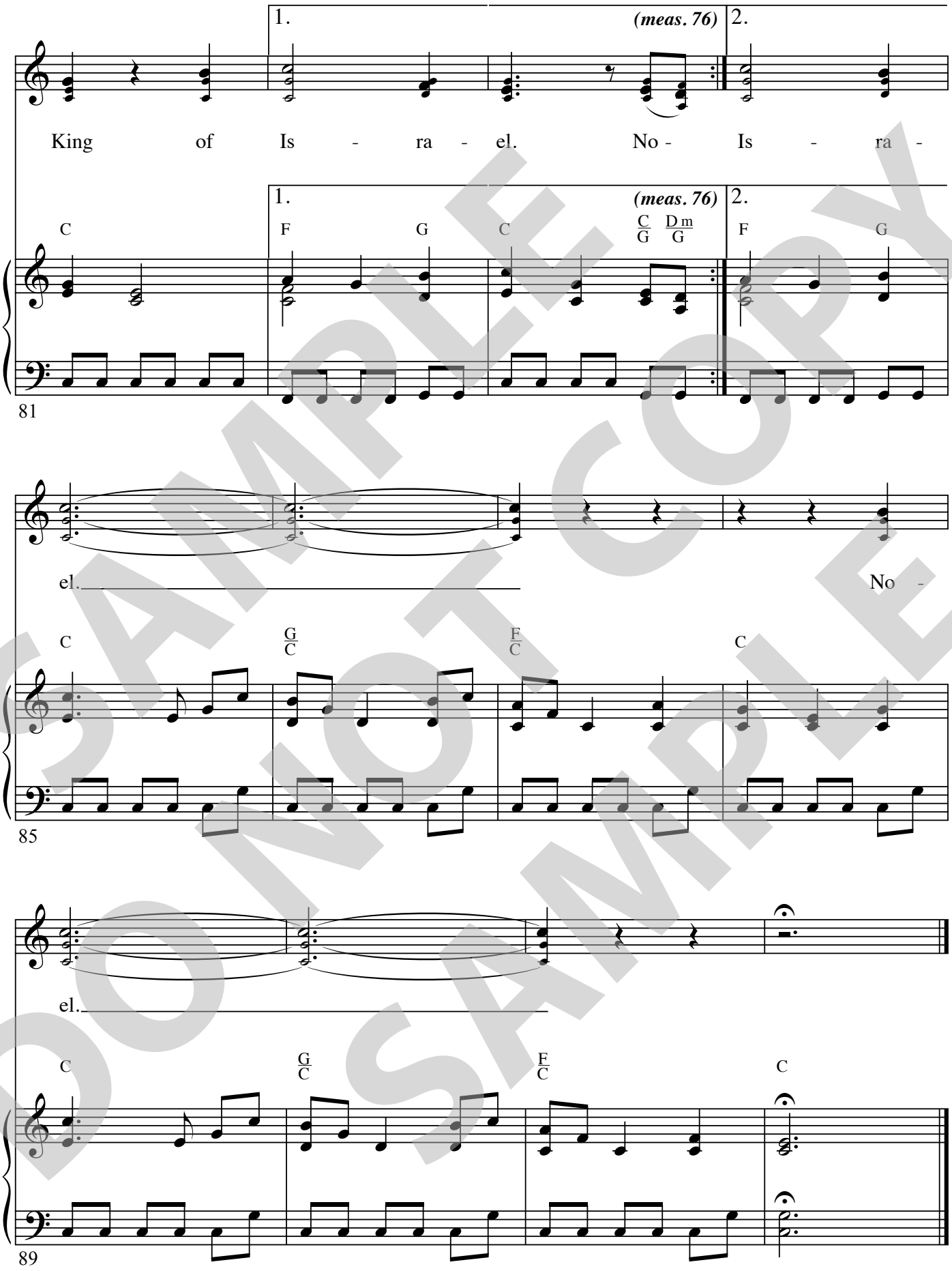

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Narrator 2:
An Angel for Mary and a Dream for Joseph:
As we prepare for Christmas and bring out the decorations and the keepsakes
that make our homes so warm and bright,
I think of the events that took place leading up to the very first Christmas.
I think of Mary and Joseph.

God sent the angel Gabriel to visit Mary who was pledged to be married to Joseph.
The angel appeared to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored!
The Lord is with you. Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God.
Behold, you will conceive and give birth to a son,
and you are to give Him the name Jesus.
He will be called the Son of the Most High."

Mary asked the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?"
The angel replied, "The Holy Spirit will come down to you,
and the power of the Most High will overshadow you.
So, the Holy One to be born will be called the Son of God."
Mary responded, "I am the Lord's servant.
May it happen to me according to your word."

Mary became pregnant through the Holy Spirit just as the angel said.
She trusted in the Lord, but it couldn't have been easy for her
to tell her soon to be husband, Joseph, that she was with child.

Joseph was a good and honorable man who followed the law
and was understandably concerned.
He even considered leaving Mary and quietly ending their engagement,
but an angel appeared to him in a dream and said,

"Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife,
because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.
She will give birth to a son, and you are to give Him the name
Jesus, because He will save His people from their sins."

Mary and Joseph walked together in faith, they trusted God with their questions,
their thoughts, and their fears. They believed in what they had been told
and were obedient to the Lord. They opened their hearts.
They set aside their plans and made room for Jesus.

Sing: What Child Is This?

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What Child Is This?

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TRADITIONAL
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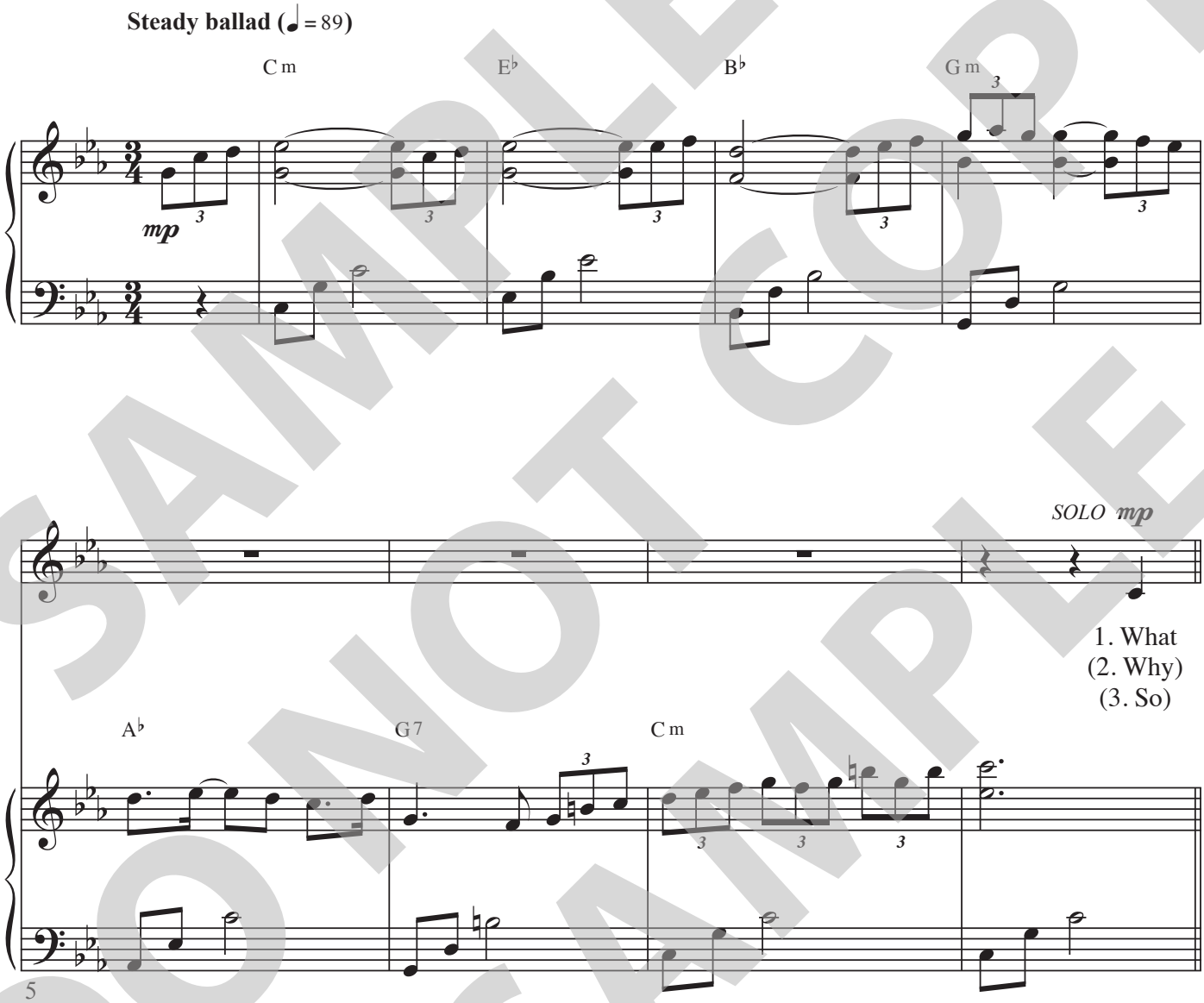

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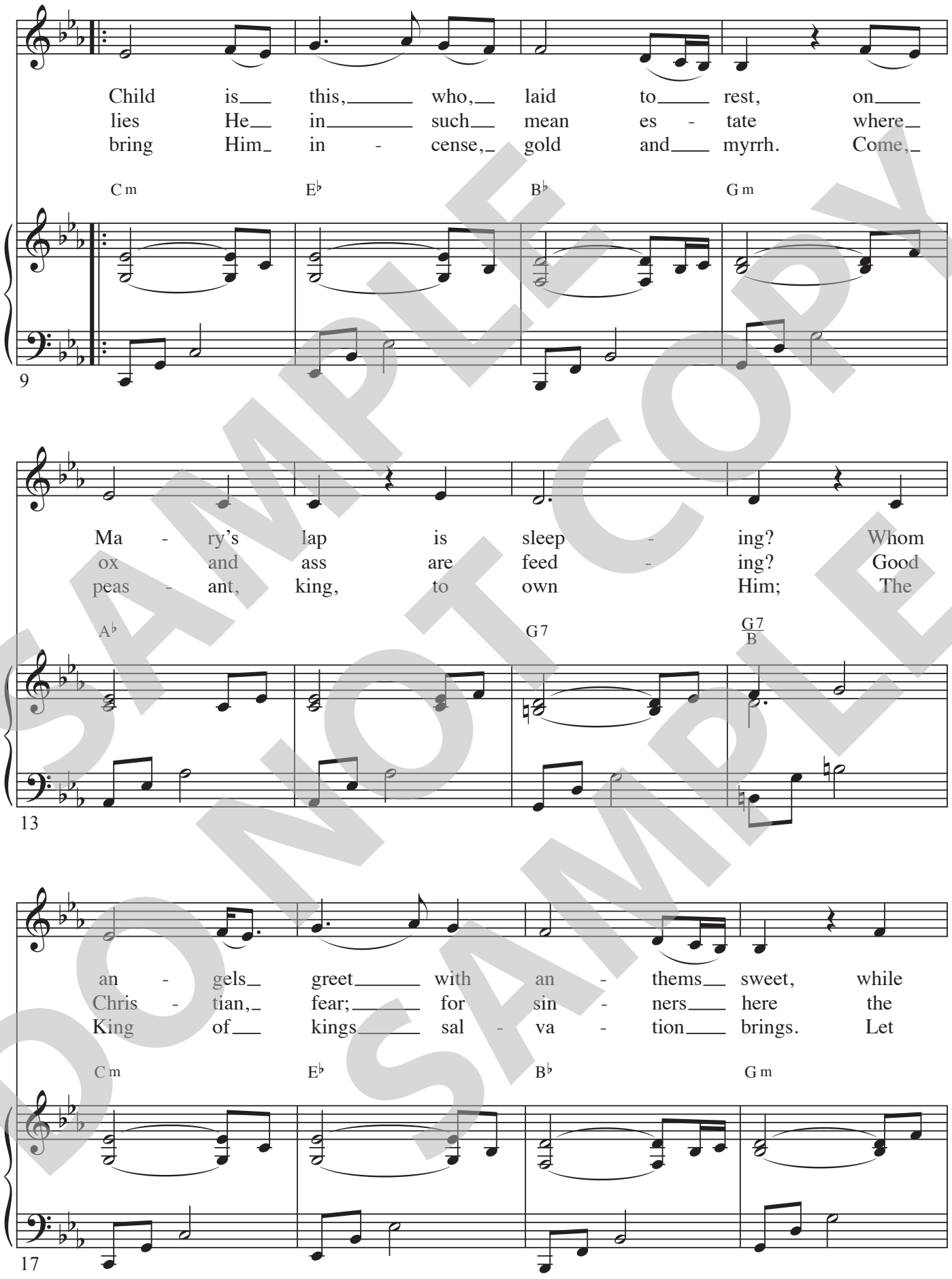

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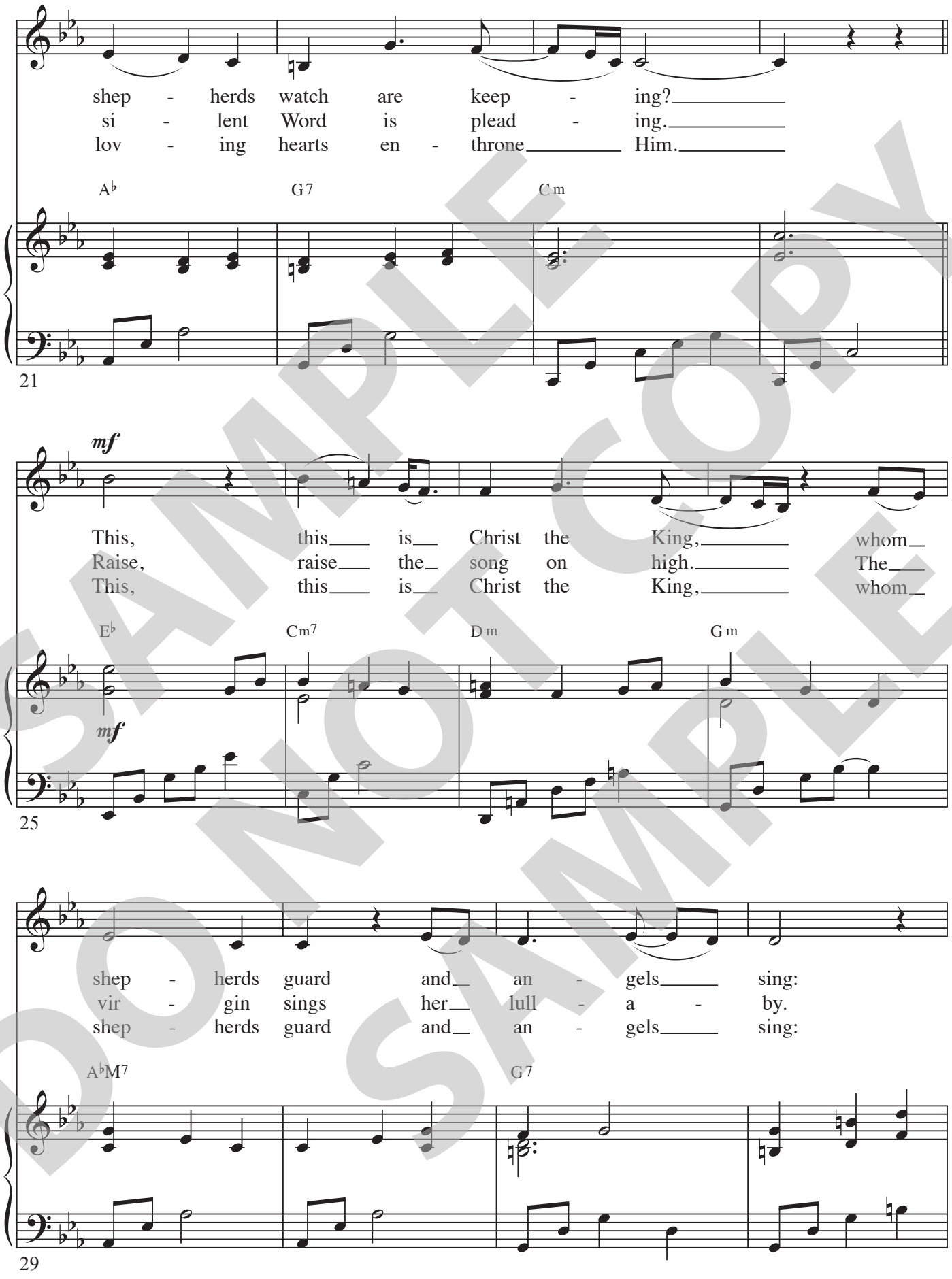

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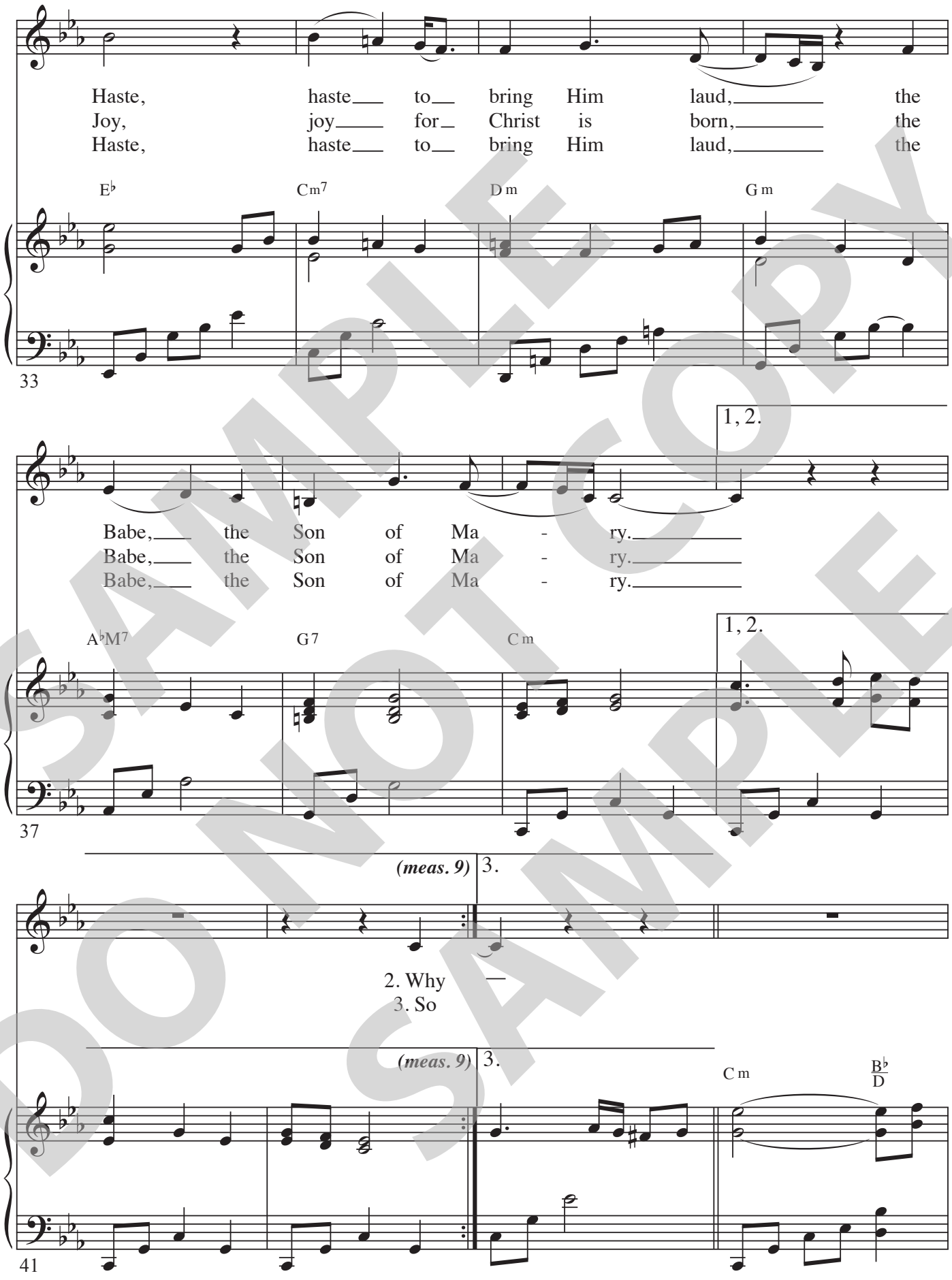

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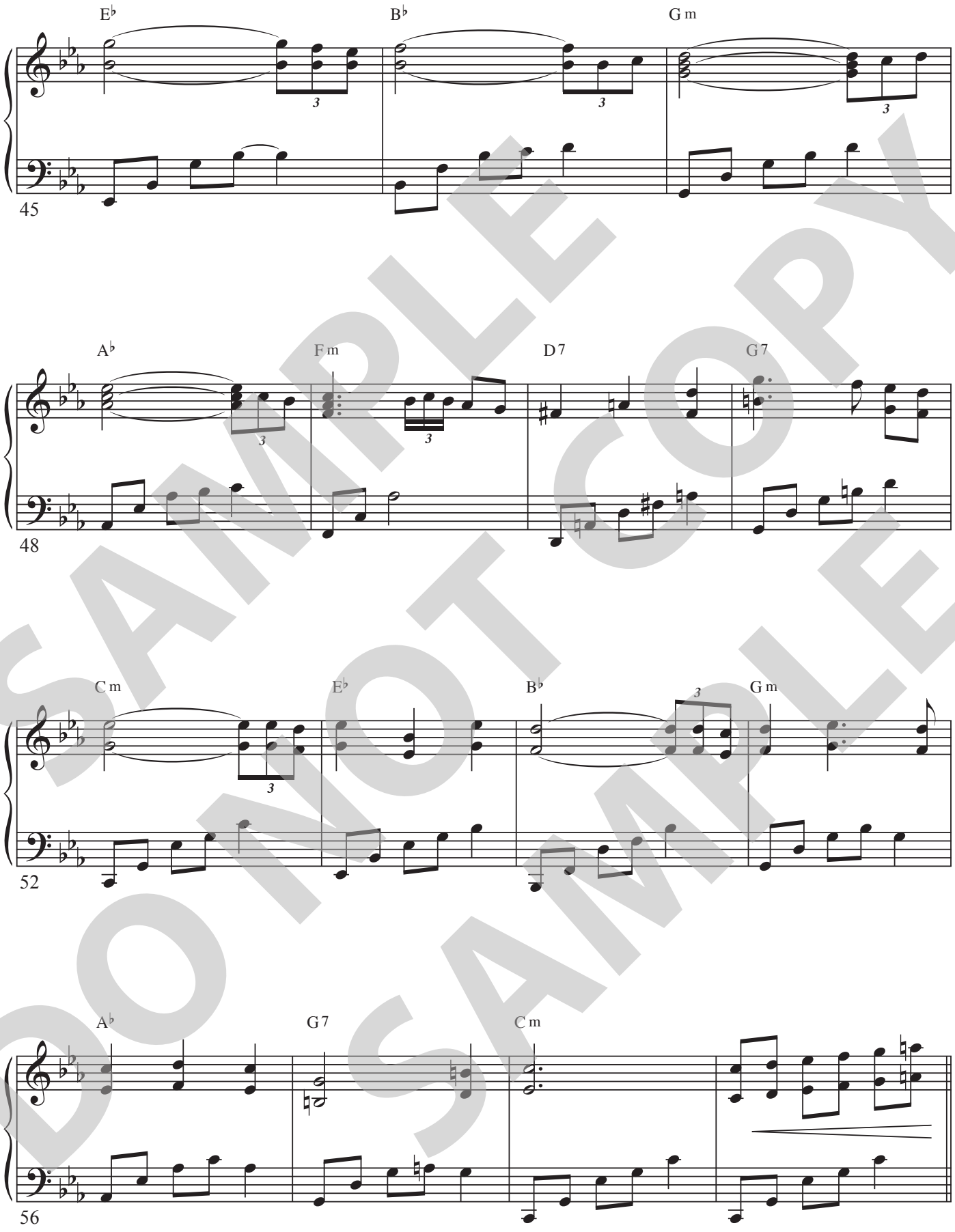

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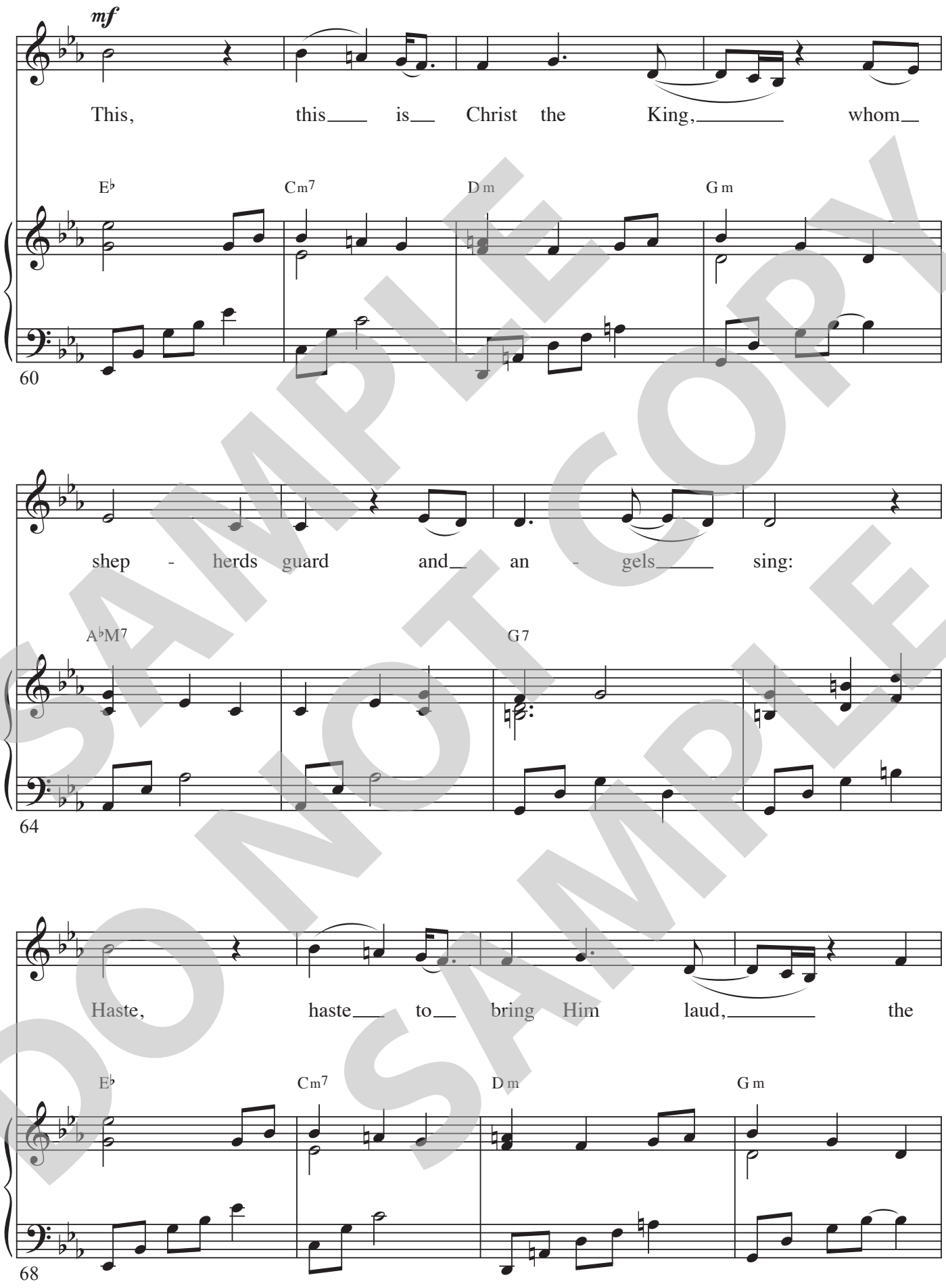

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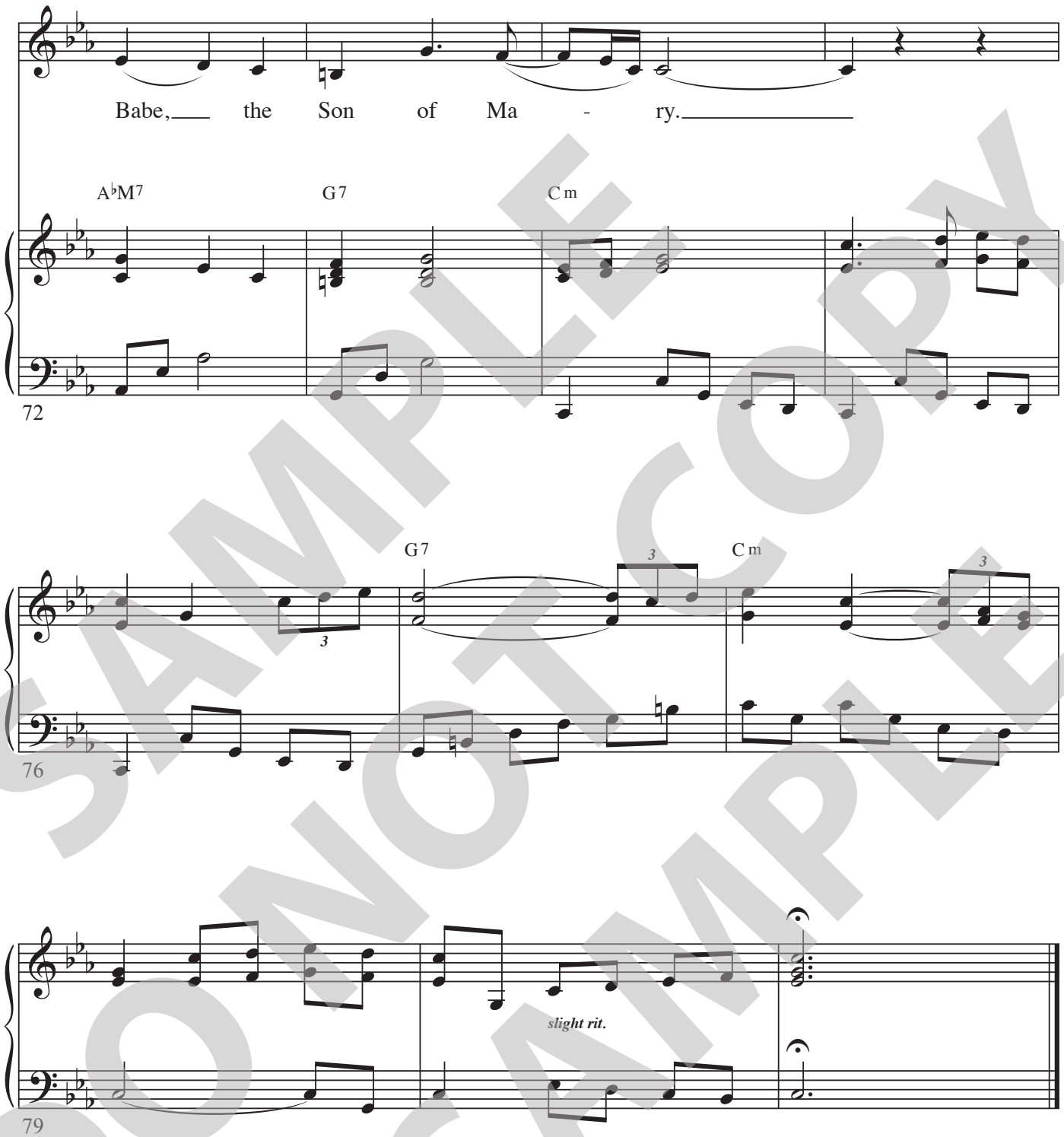

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Narrator 1:

They Came from Near and Far:

One of my fondest memories of Christmas is going to the tree farm with my father
to pick out our Christmas tree. We'd find just the right one,
cut it down ourselves, tie it to the roof of our car, and bring it home.

I loved the way it made our home smell throughout the season.
And I couldn't wait to decorate it and set up our nativity by the tree.
And to this day, I still love putting up our nativity
and placing the shepherds and wise men
lovingly around the manger.

The shepherds and wise men played a very special role in the Christmas story.
The wise men travelled from afar. They were mysterious and wealthy,
and they came bearing precious gifts for the Christ Child.
By contrast, the shepherds were simple folk who tended their sheep
and lived nearby in the fields outside of Bethlehem.
They had nothing to offer the baby Jesus but adoration and worship.

They were each led to Him in their own ways. An angel appeared to the shepherds,
and for the wise men it was a star.
The shepherds and wise men could not have been more different,
but they had one very important thing in common:
both understood and believed what had been revealed to them,
and both trusted and followed.

The shepherds were tending their sheep when angels
descended from the night sky to announce the birth of Christ.
After hearing the angel's announcement, the shepherds
hurried to find Mary and Joseph, and the Baby lying in a manger.

After they had seen Him, they shared the incredible news
with others and everyone who heard was amazed!
"The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God
for all the things they had heard and seen,
which were just as they had been told."

The wise men journeyed from the east and followed a star to find the coming King.
They believed that Jesus was the "King of the Jews" whose birth
had been heralded by a star in the skies, and they wanted to honor Him.

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When they saw the star, they set out to find Him.
And when they did, they gave Him gifts of gold, frankincense,
and myrrh. They acknowledged Him as King,
and they worshipped Him.

Some say that the shepherds and wise men represent the spectrum of humanity:
different backgrounds, nationalities, educations, and financial means,
but despite their differences, the shepherds and wise men shared
a willingness and a longing to see Jesus
and a desire to worship Him. Let that be said of us today.

Sing: Follow the Star

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Follow the Star

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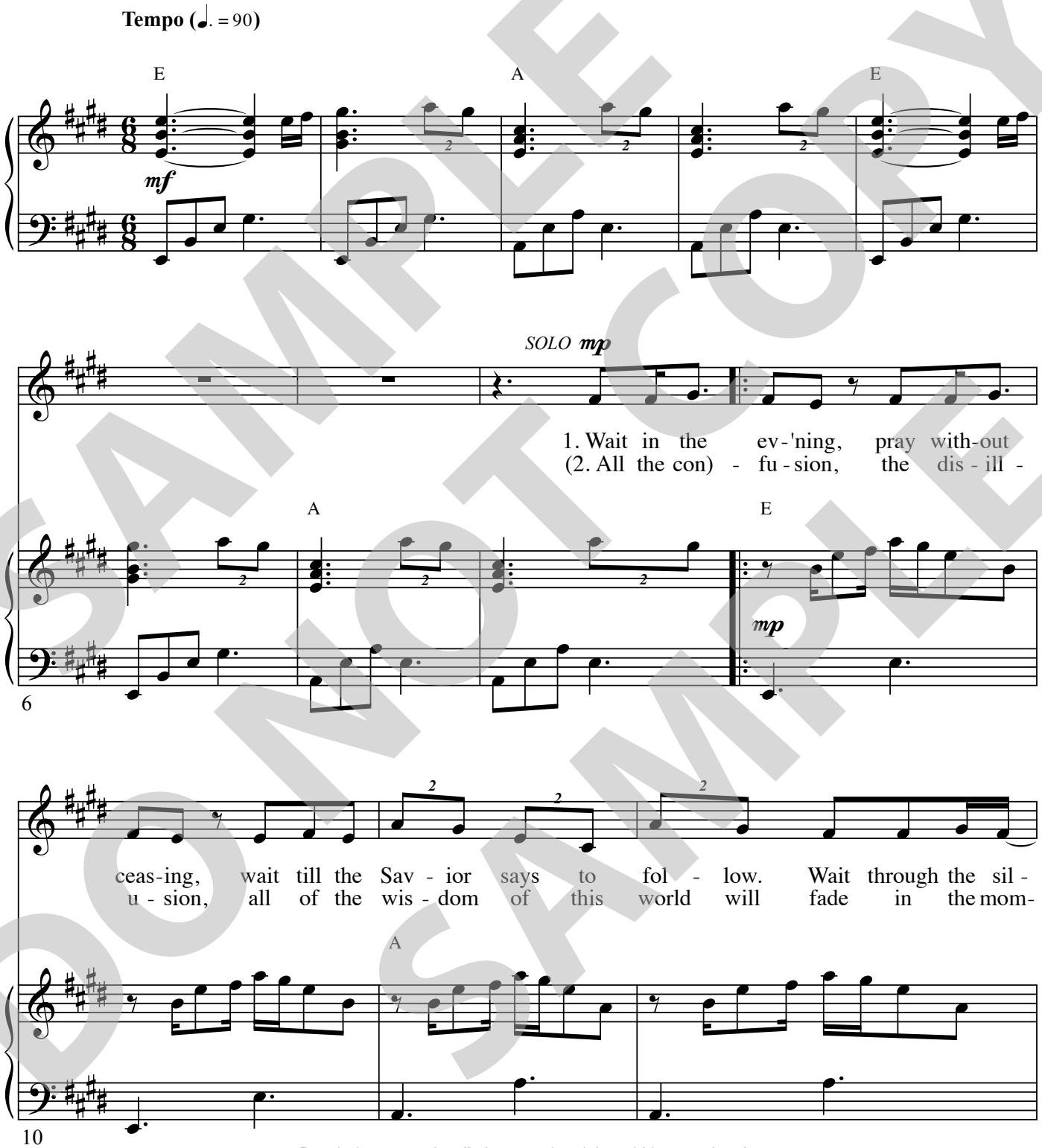

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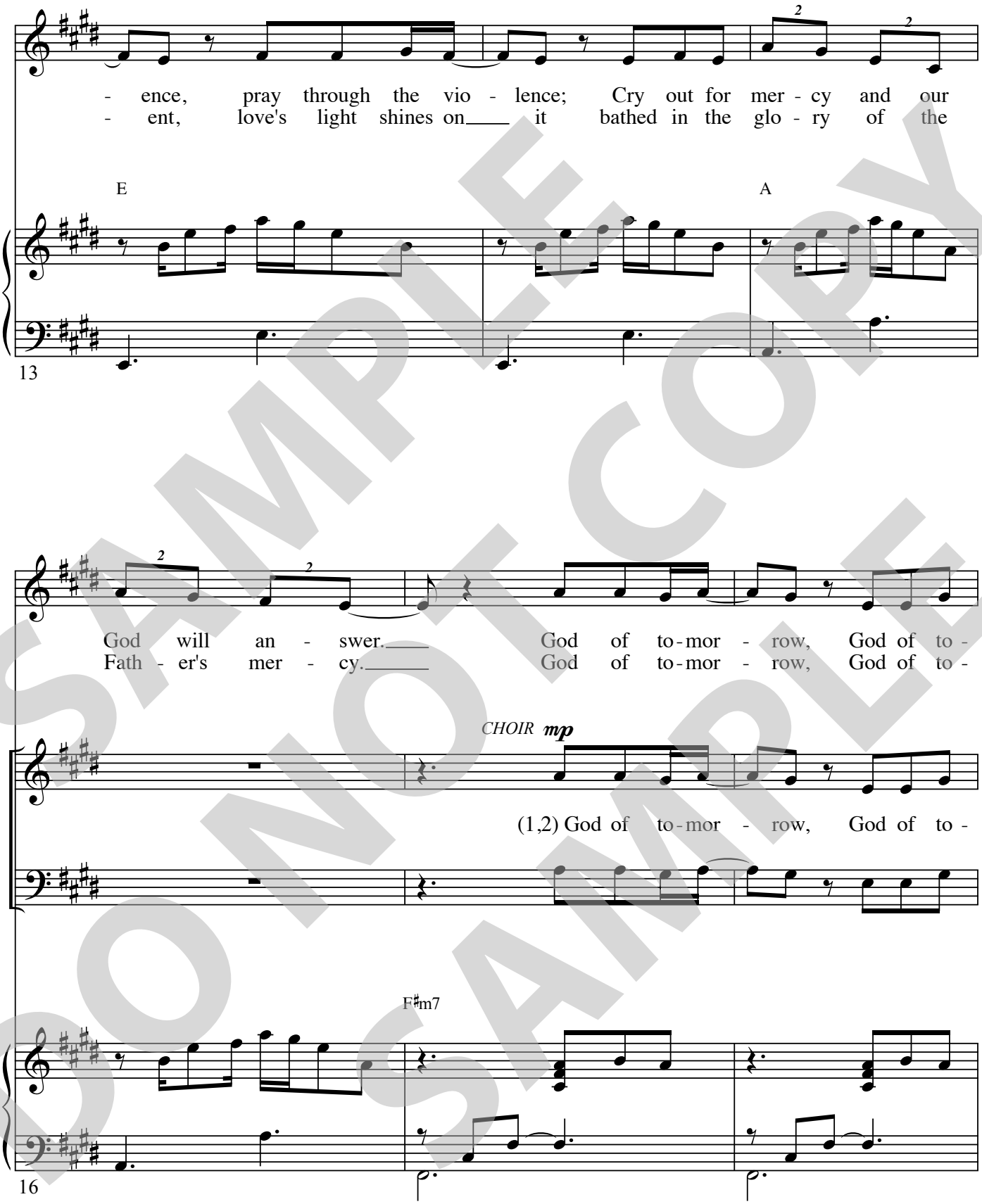

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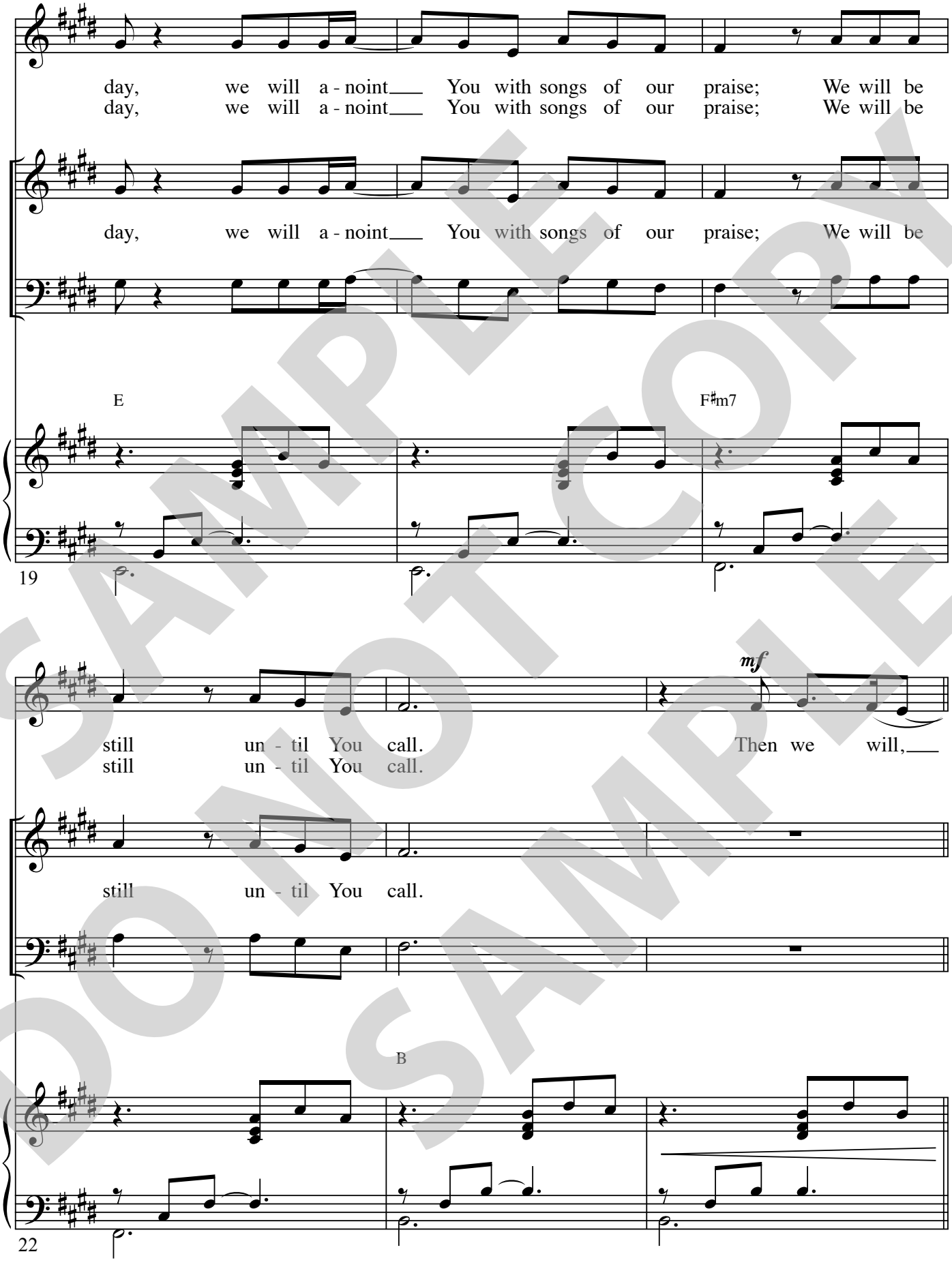

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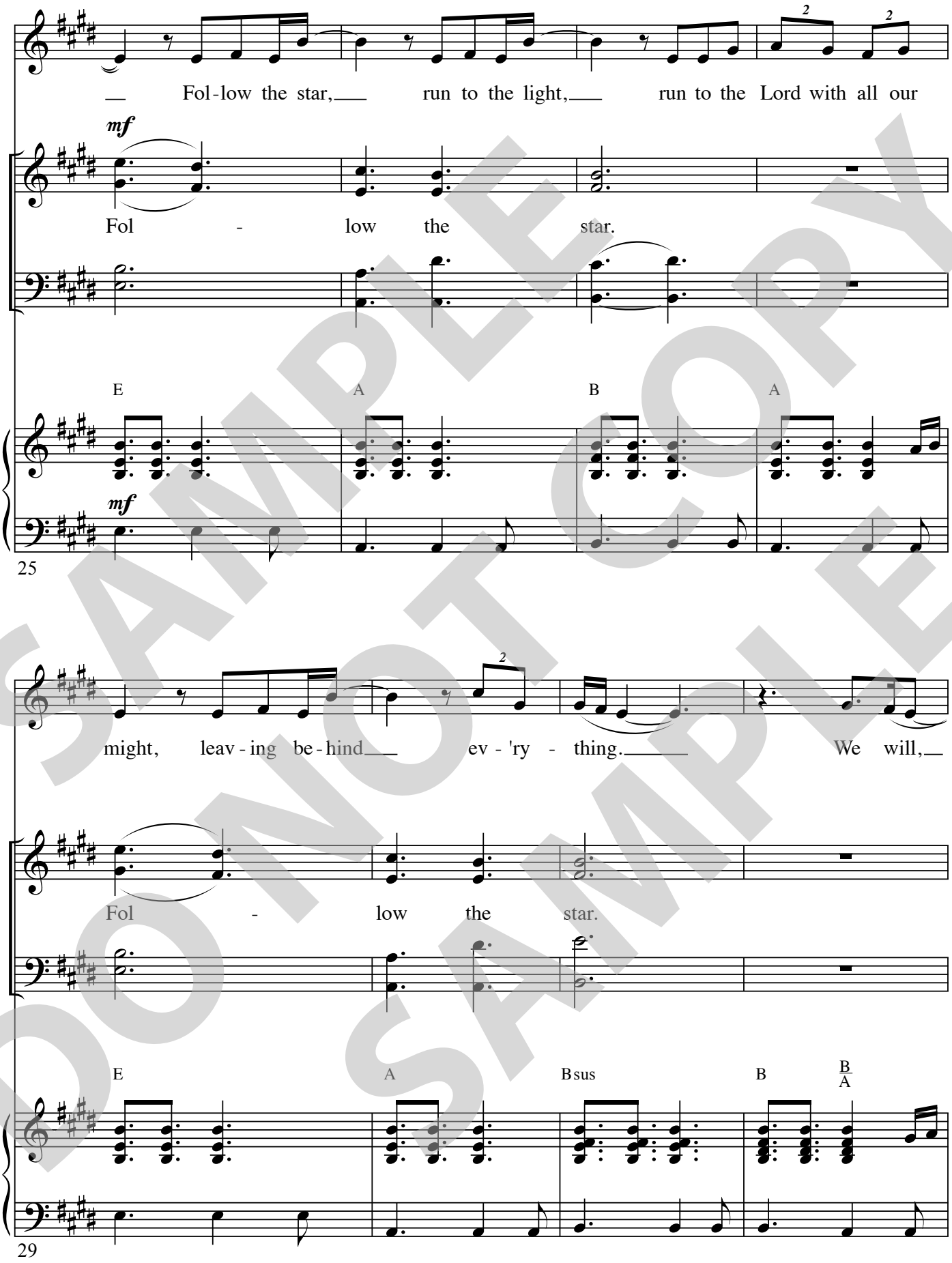

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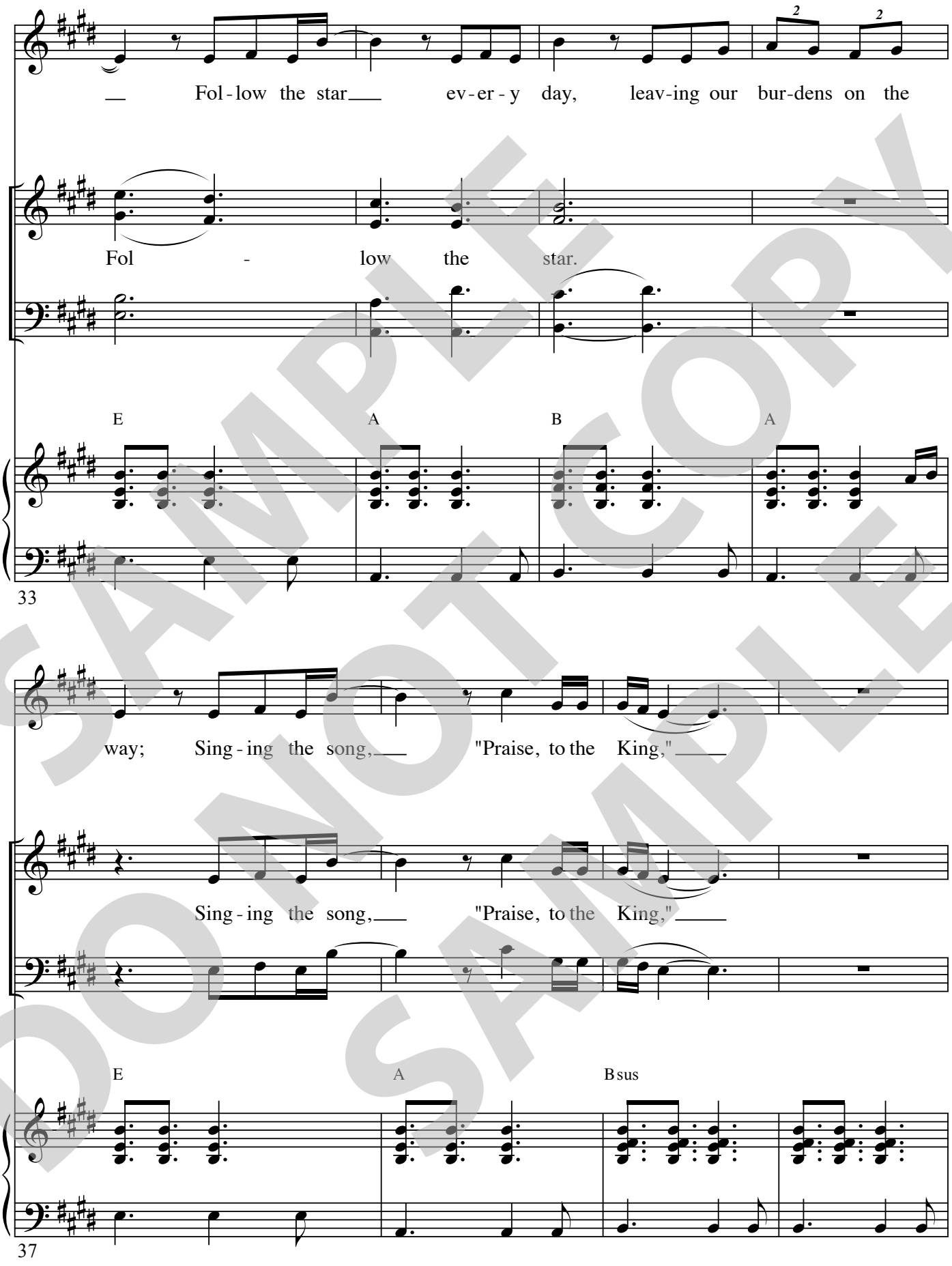

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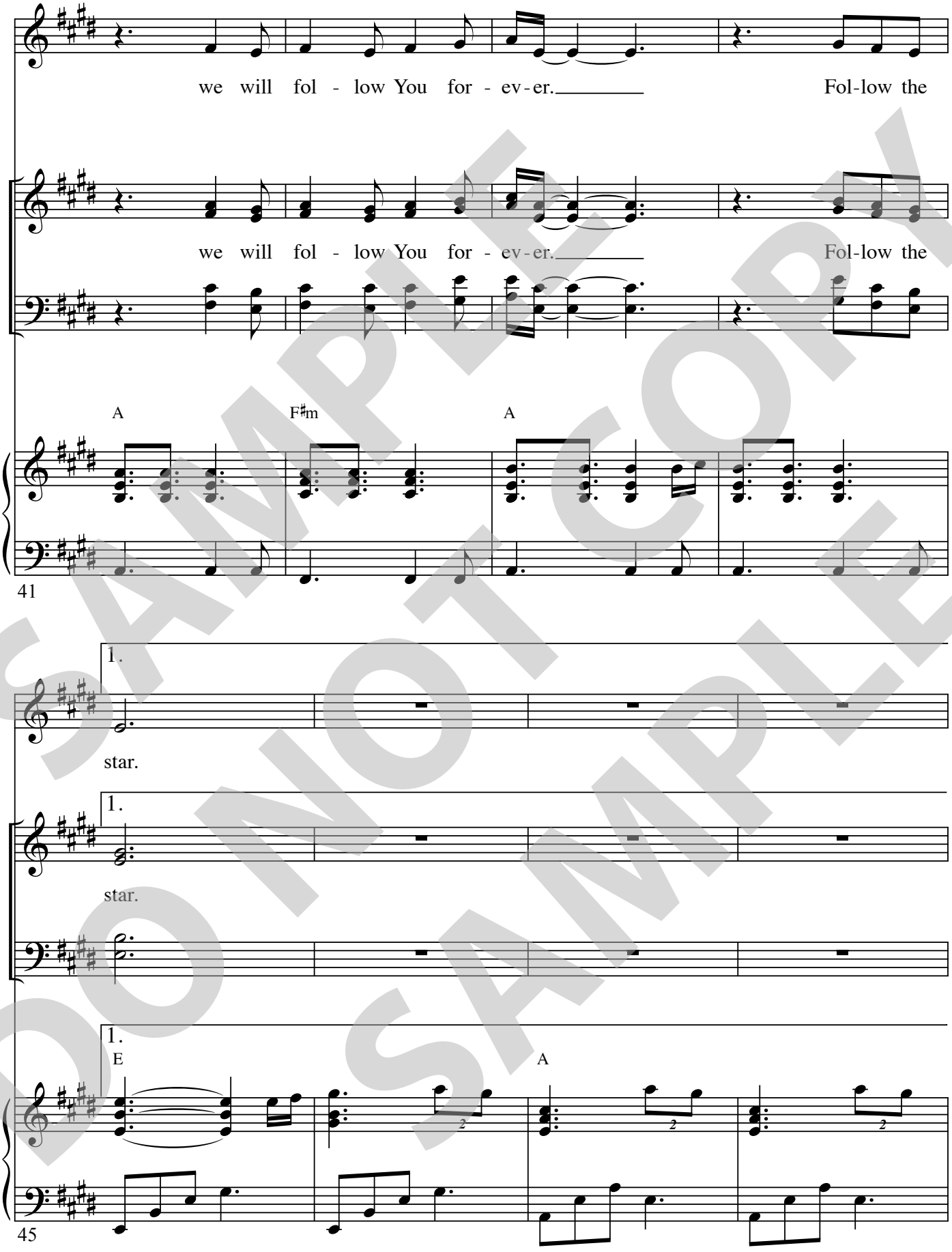

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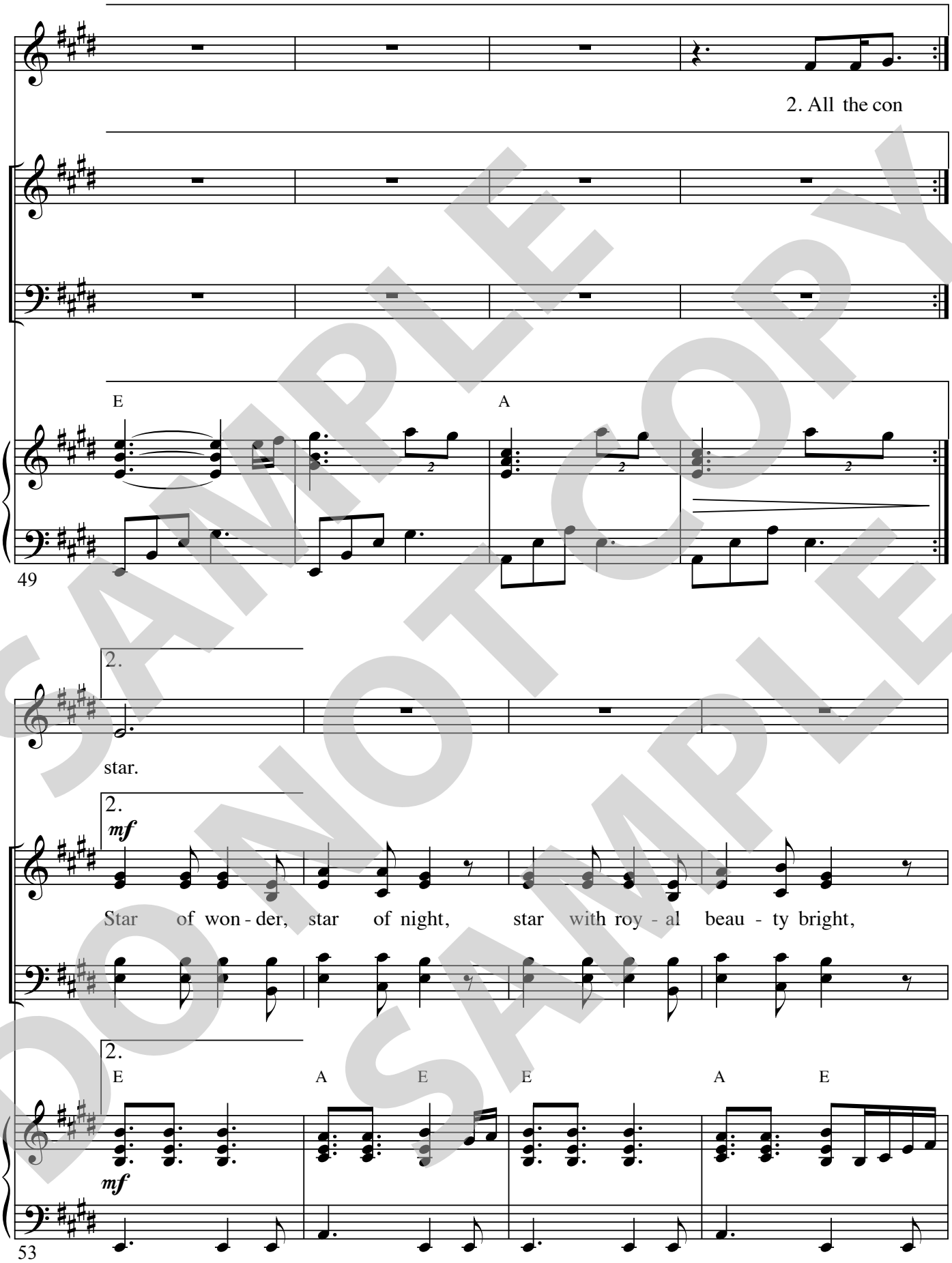

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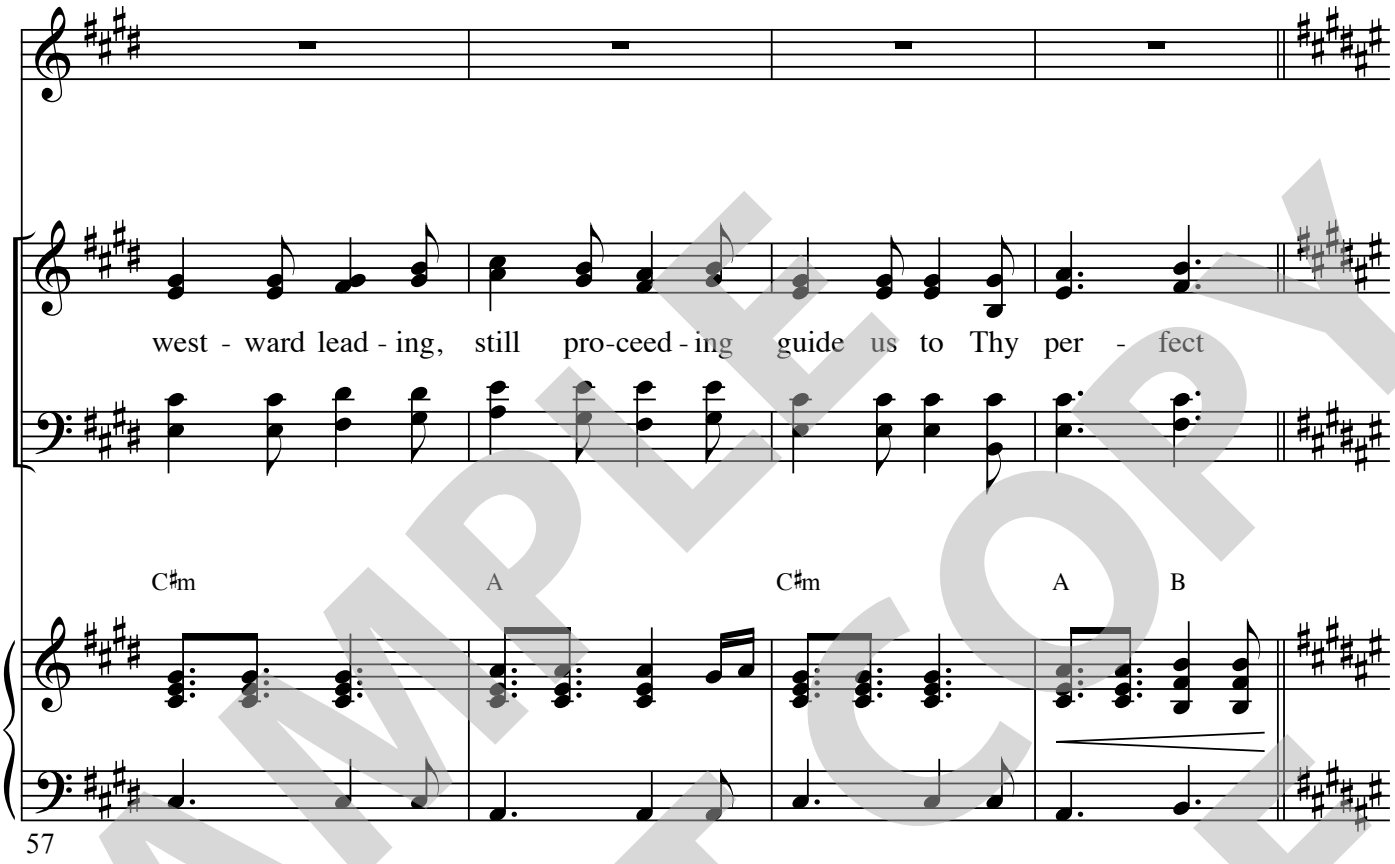

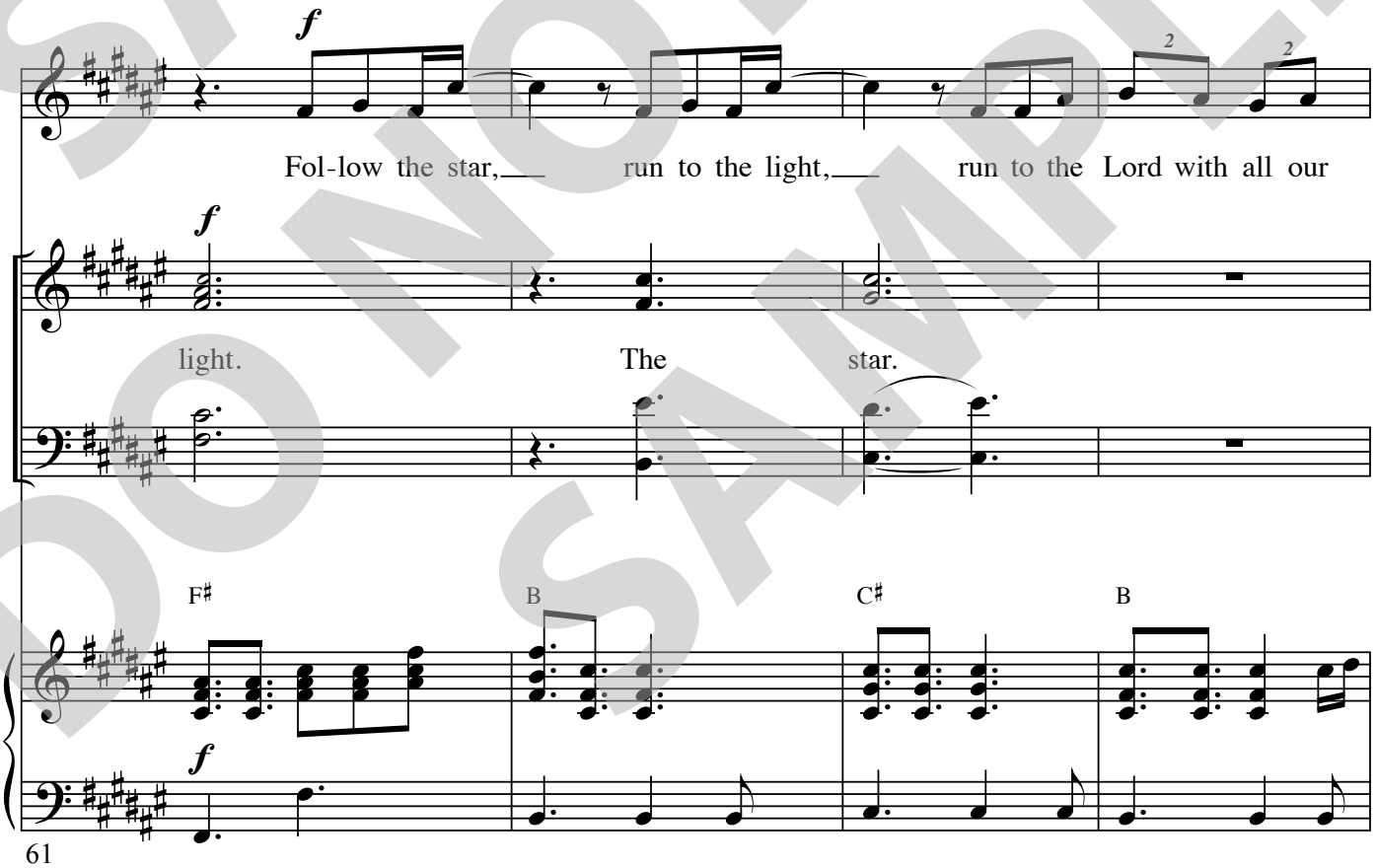

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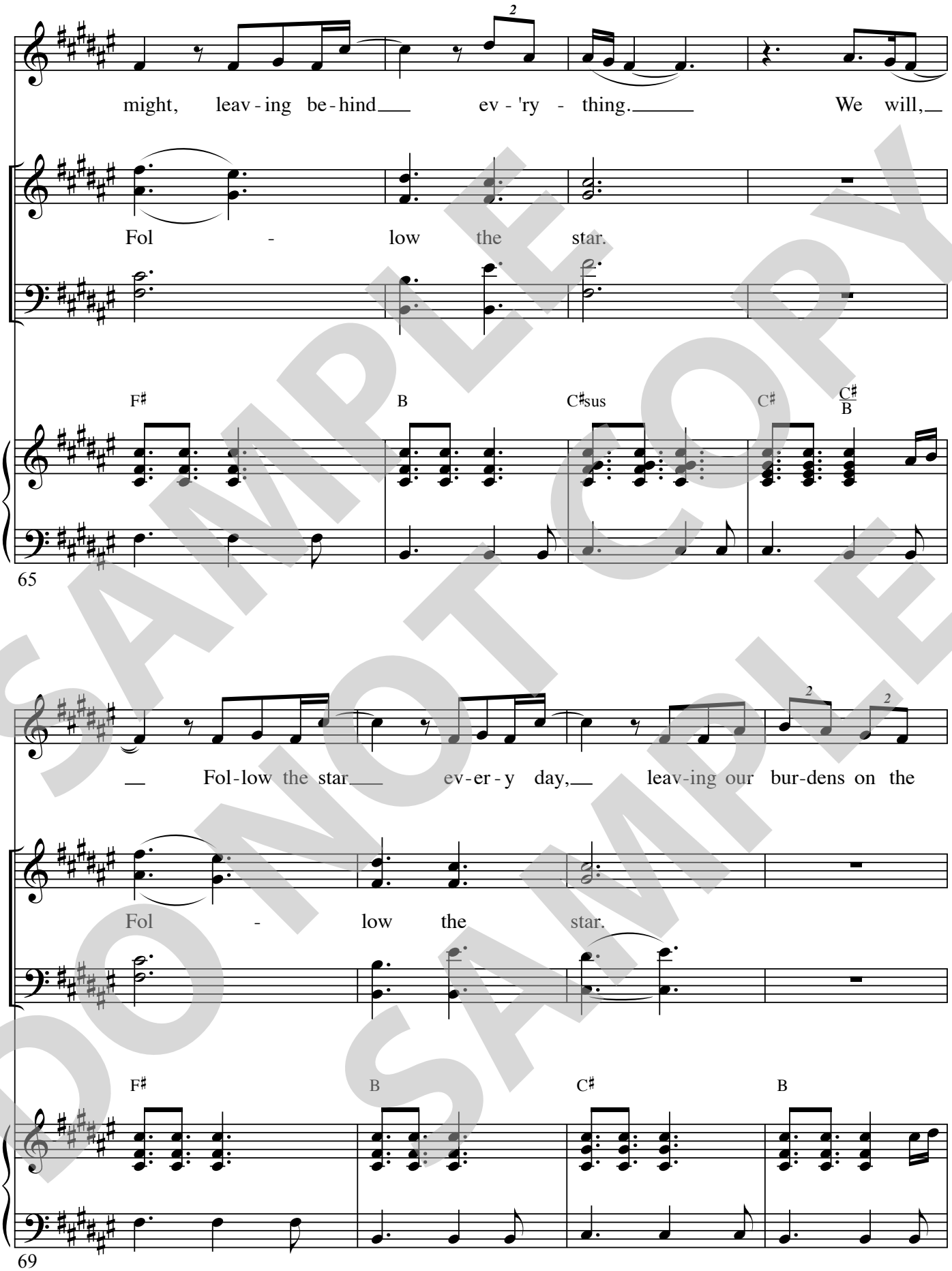

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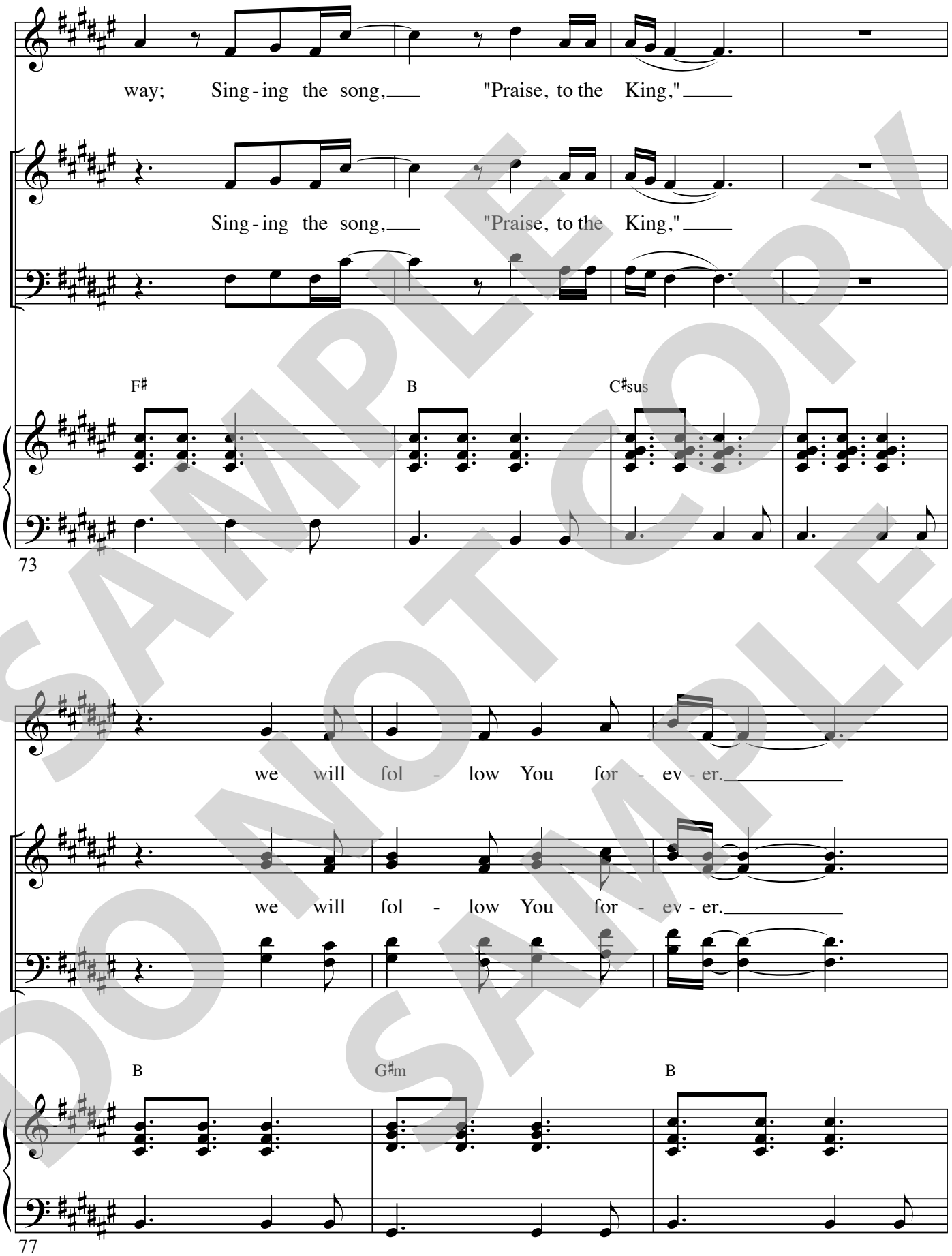

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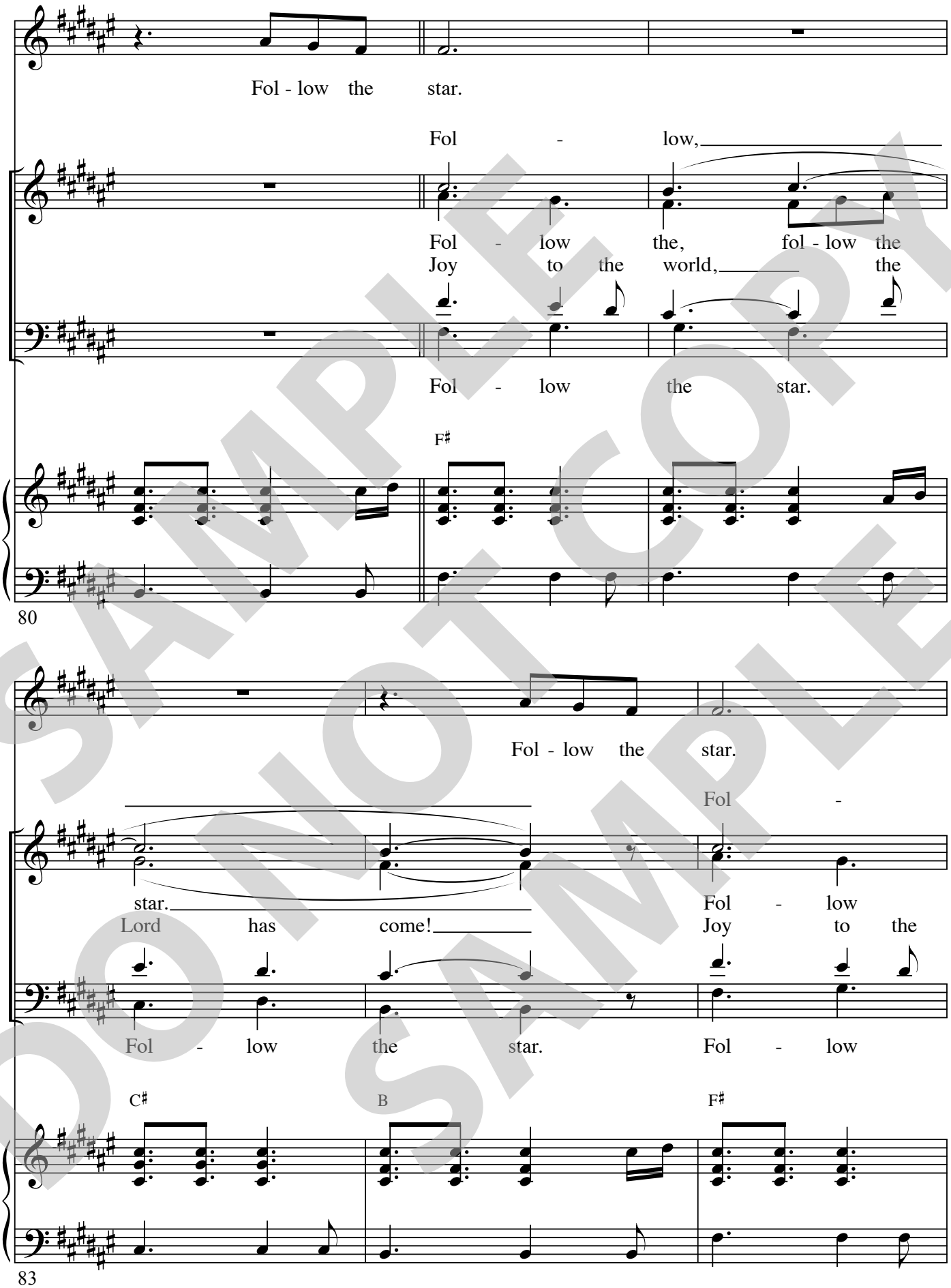

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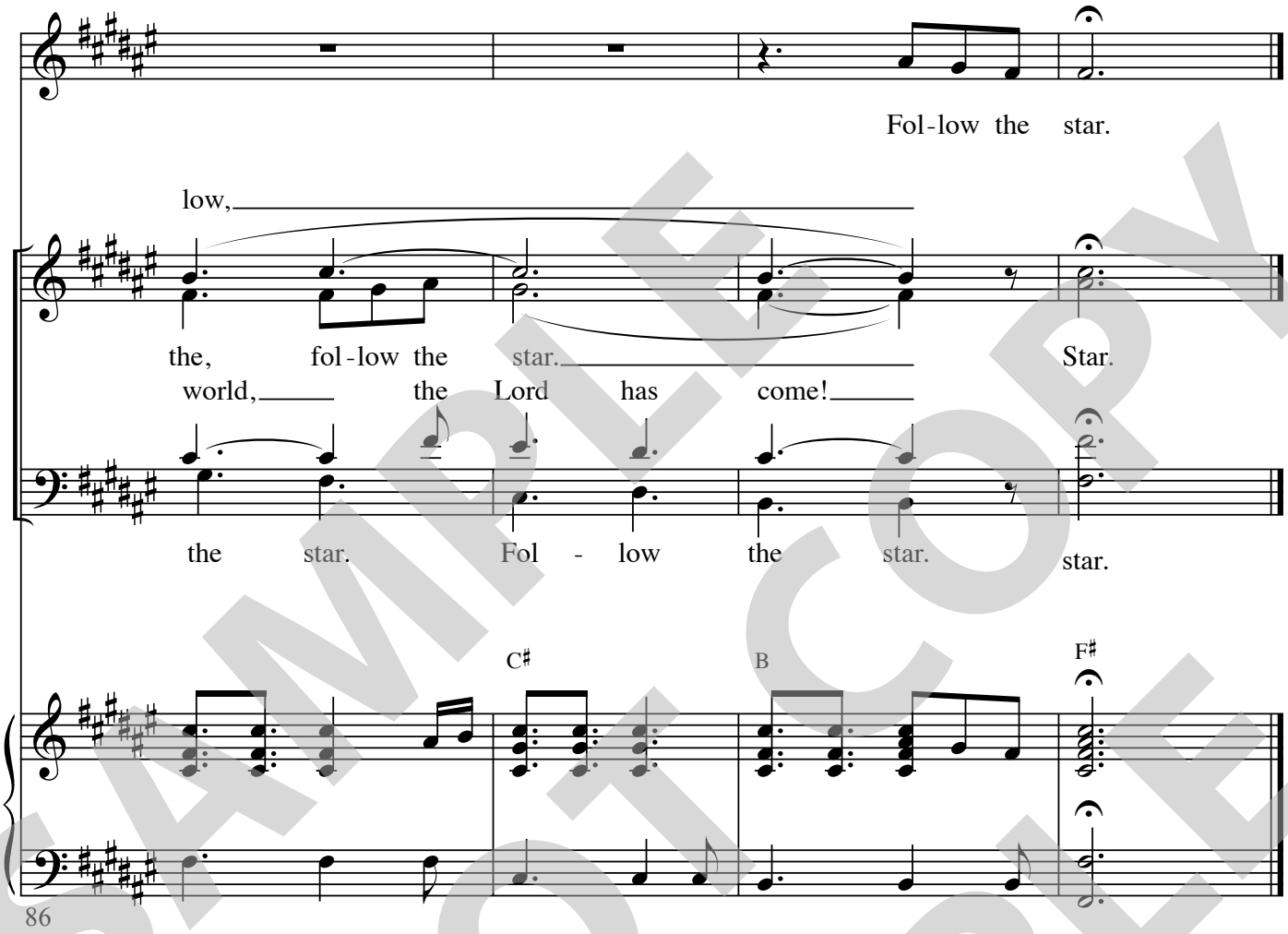

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Optional Instrumental: The First Noel
(TO BE PLAYED WITH NEXT NARRATION)

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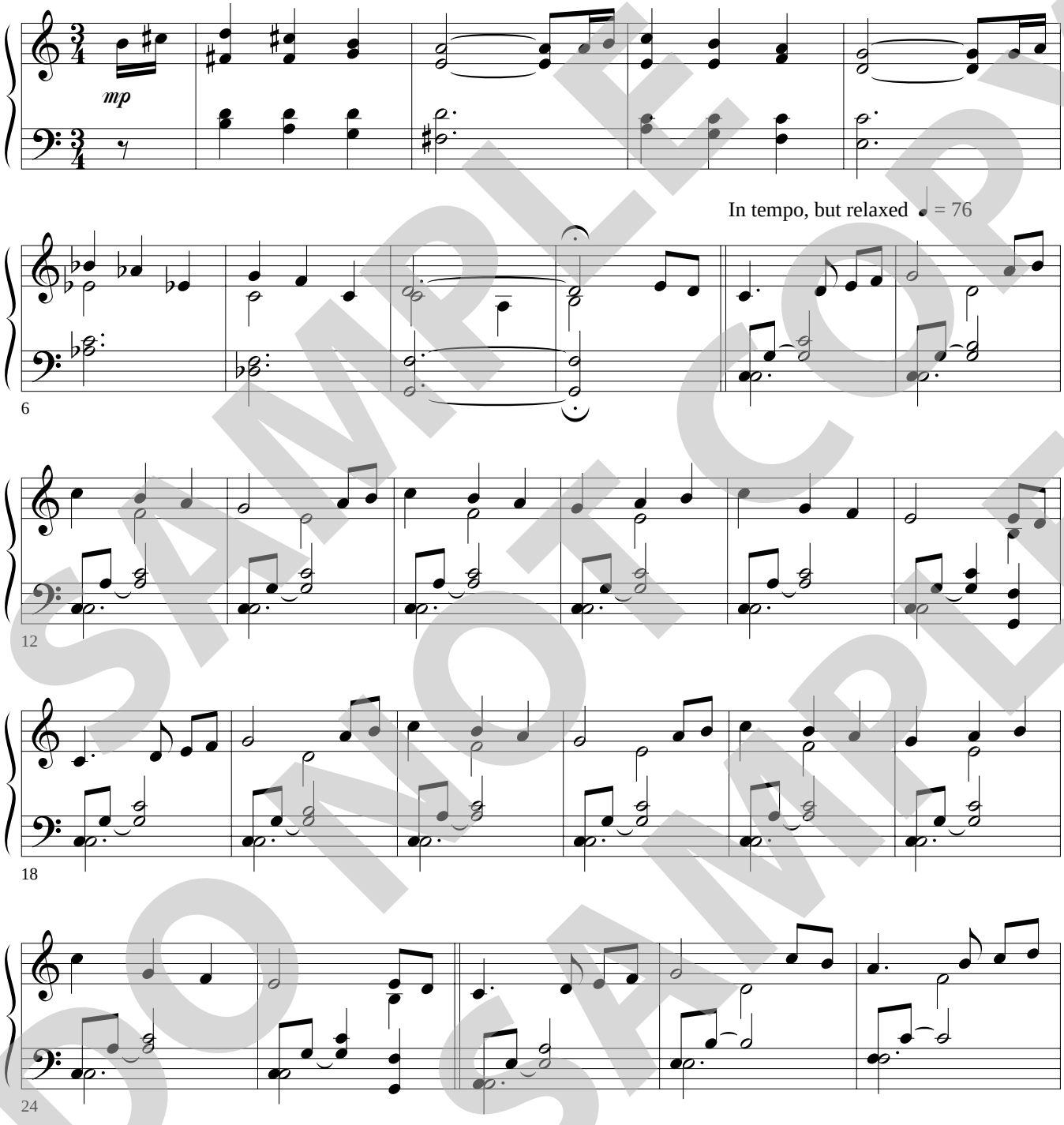
The First Noel

(Piano Solo)

Traditional English Carol
Arranged by
LURA FOSTER

Rubato, with great feeling



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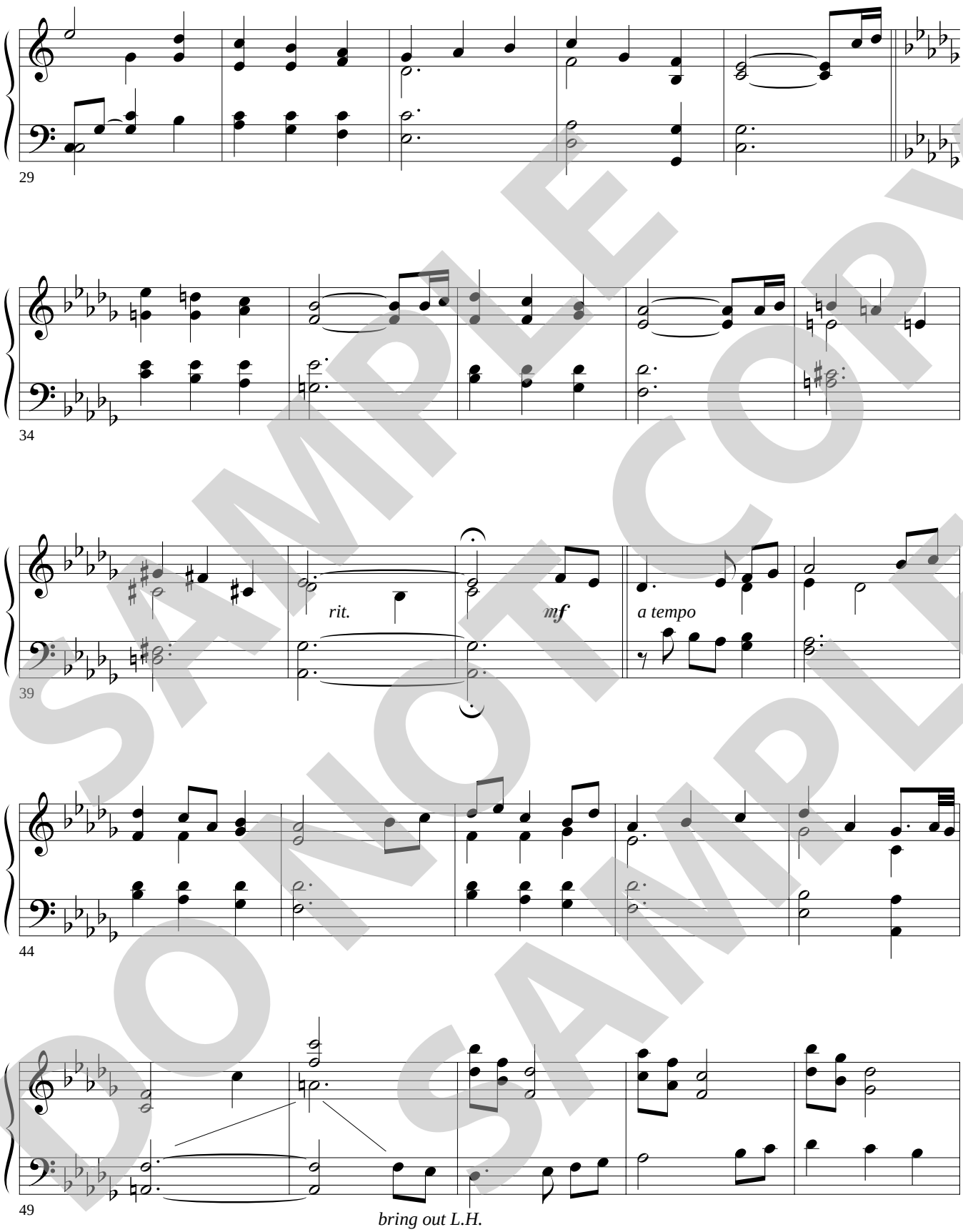

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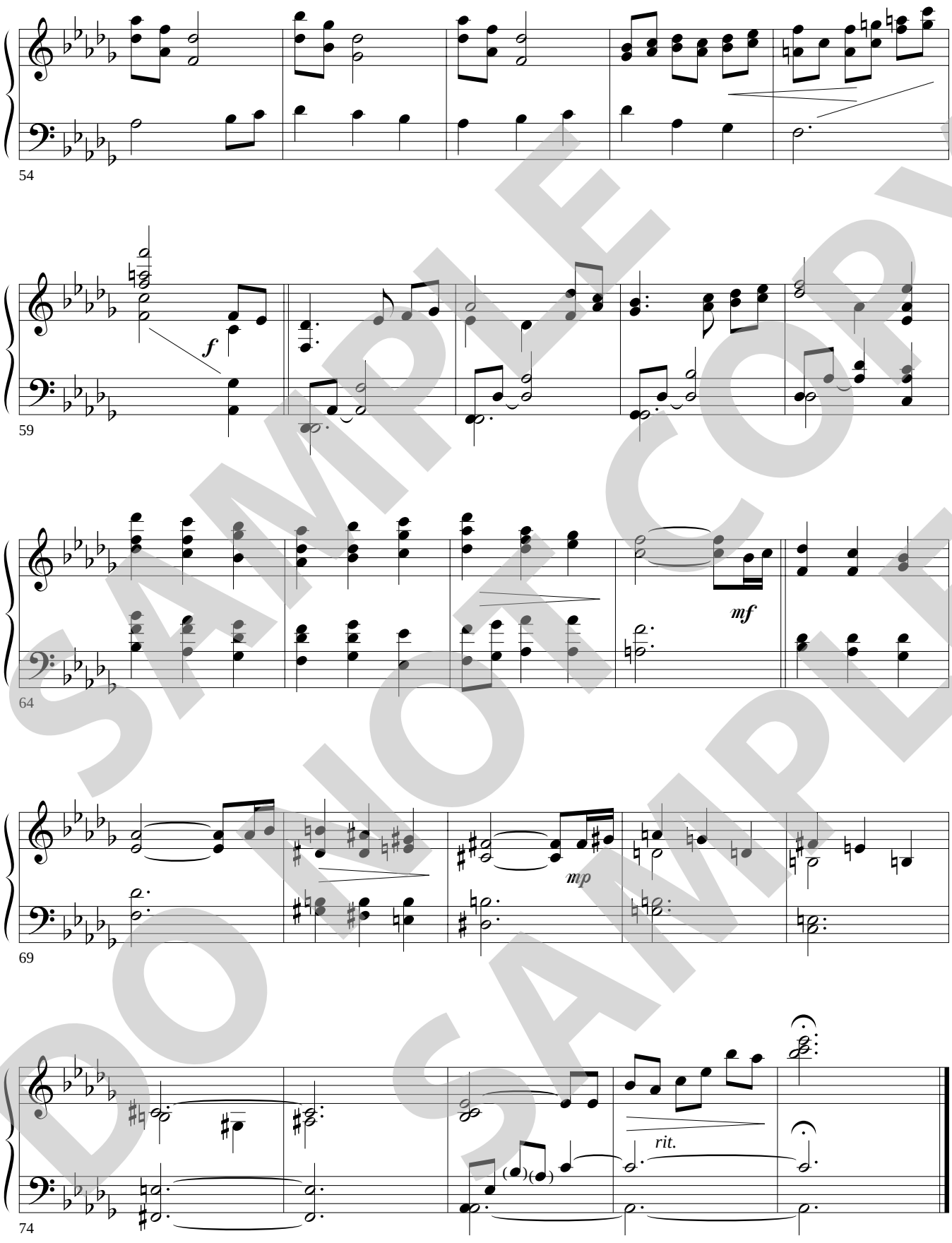

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Narrator 2:

Angels, Dreams, and a Star So Bright:
I've always enjoyed decorating our Christmas tree
and hanging our treasured ornaments alongside the twinkling lights.
Many of us top our trees with angels or stars. In our home,
the first ornament we place on the tree is a simple star, stamped out of tin.
It was a childhood ornament of my mother's and it's very precious to me.

These ornaments are part of our family's tradition;
they warm our hearts and brighten our homes.
And they remind us of the angels
and of the star that appeared on the first Christmas.

The Bible gives several accounts of angels in the story of Jesus' birth.
On one occasion, an angel appears to Mary with life-changing news
and tells her that she is about to conceive the Son of God.
An angel later appeared to Joseph in a dream that changed everything
for him as well. Angels appeared to the shepherds to announce the
birth of Christ and told them where to find Him.

A star guided the wise men to Jesus. But on their way, they were met by King Herod,
who instructed them to report back to him with Jesus' whereabouts
so that he could "worship" Him too.
The wise men were later warned in a dream that Herod had evil intentions
for the Newborn, so they returned to their homeland by a different route.

God used angels, a star, and even dreams to speak to Mary and Joseph,
and to the shepherds and wise men.
They listened with open hearts and willingly followed.
Mary risked humiliation and even death by being pregnant
before she was married. Joseph considered leaving...but he stayed.

The shepherds left their sheep in the night to find the baby Jesus.
The wise men defied a king's orders. They all trusted and followed what the Lord had
revealed to them. What is God saying to us this Christmas? Are we listening?
May we open our hearts to Him. May we listen and follow.

Sing: It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

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It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

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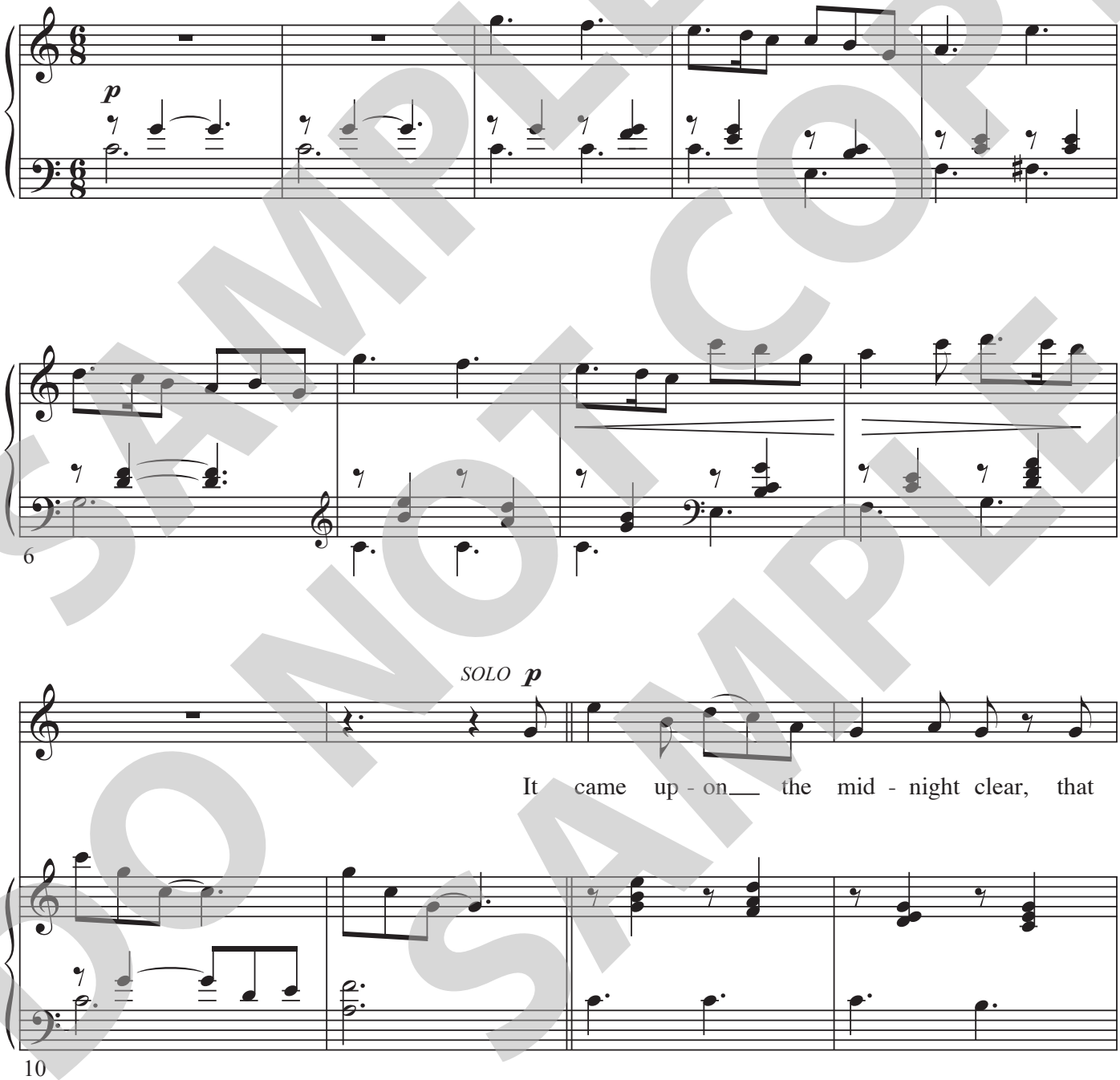

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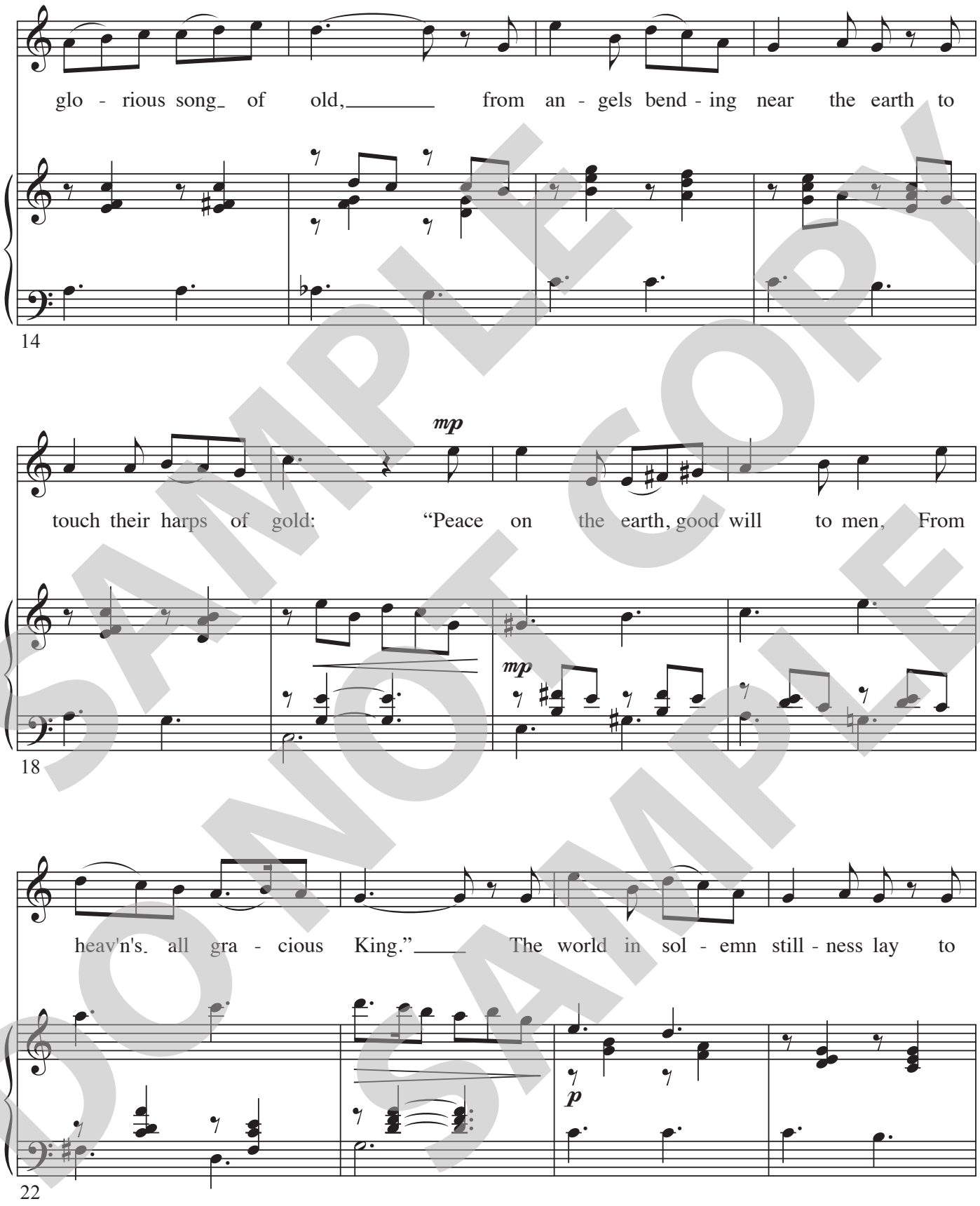

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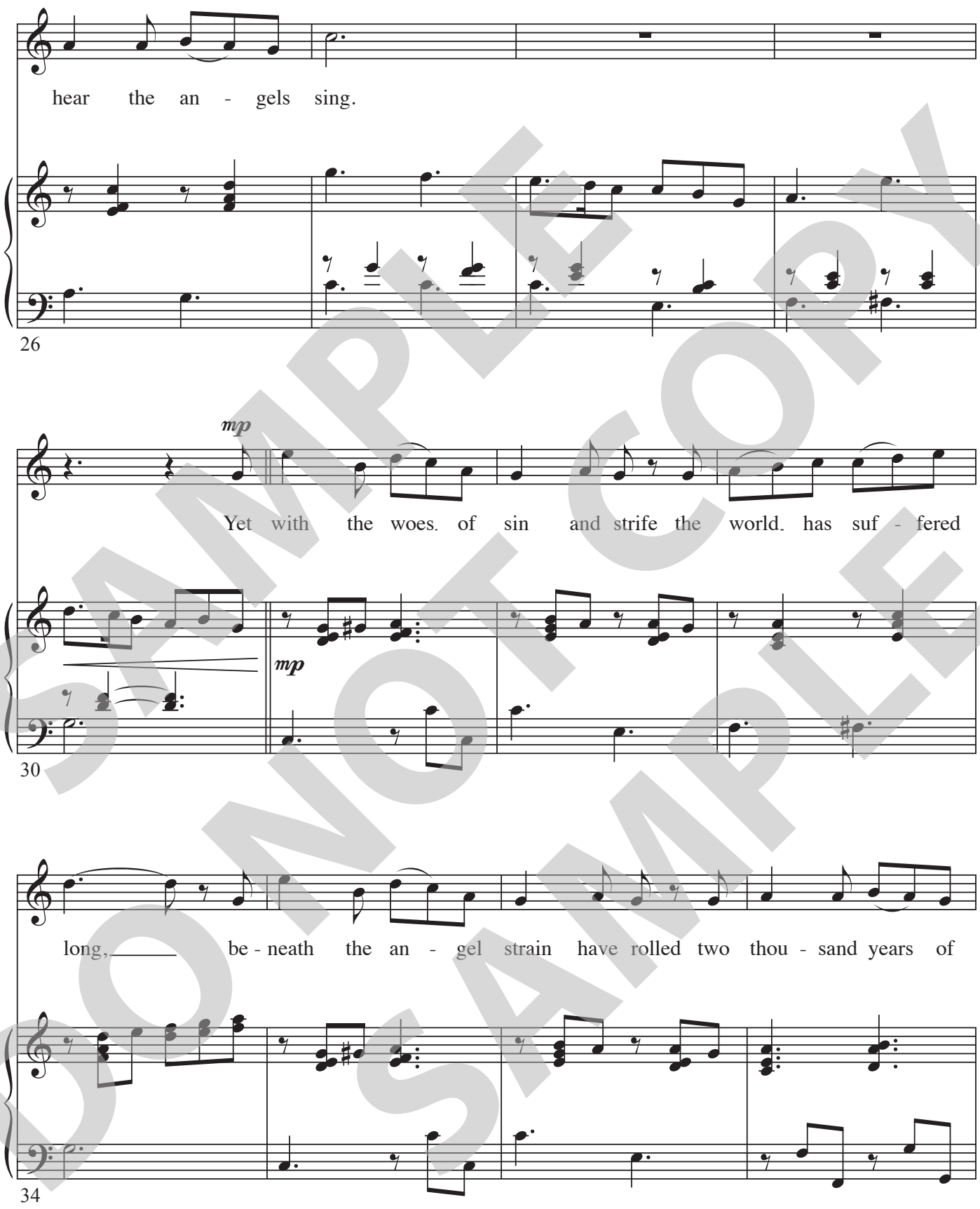

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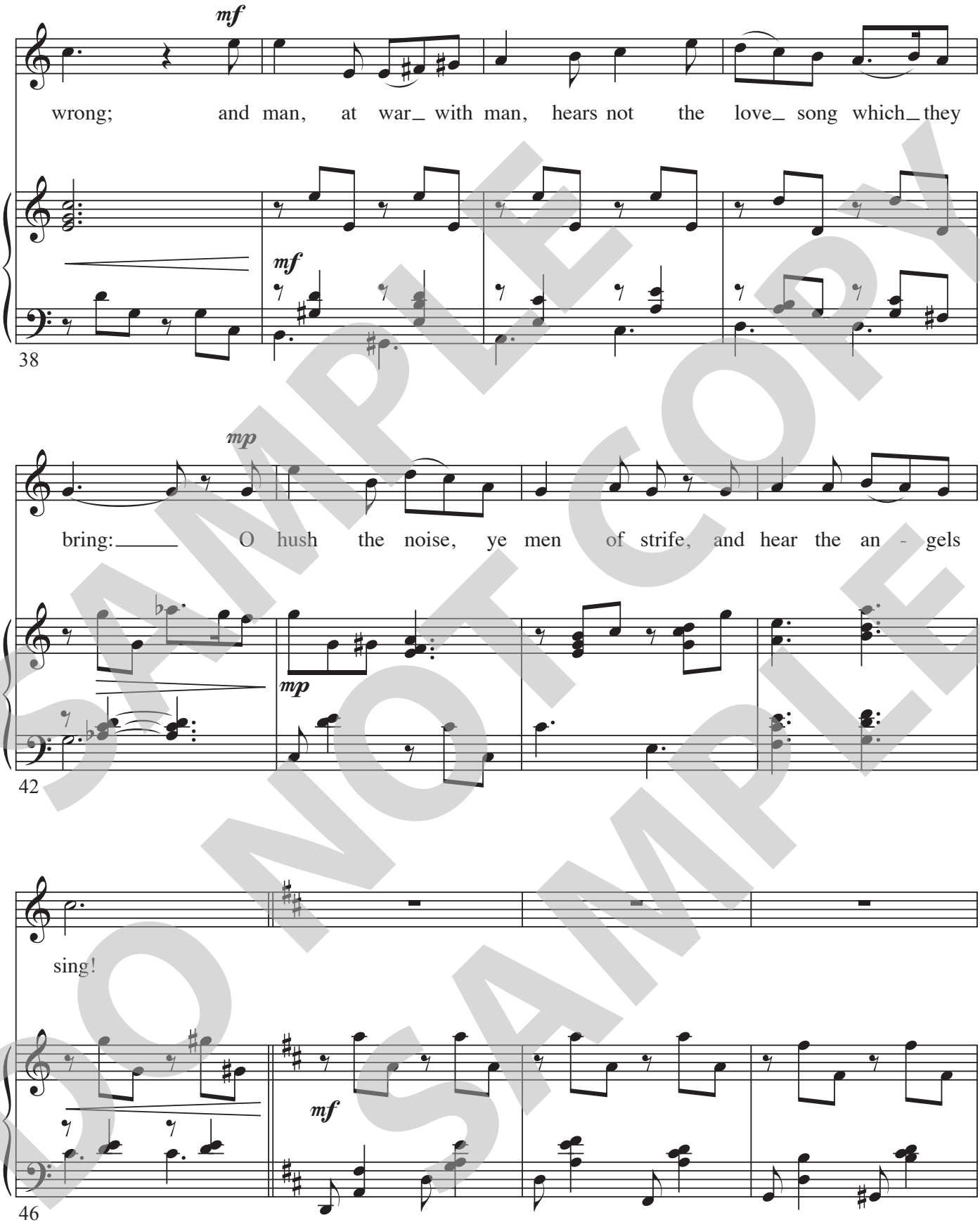

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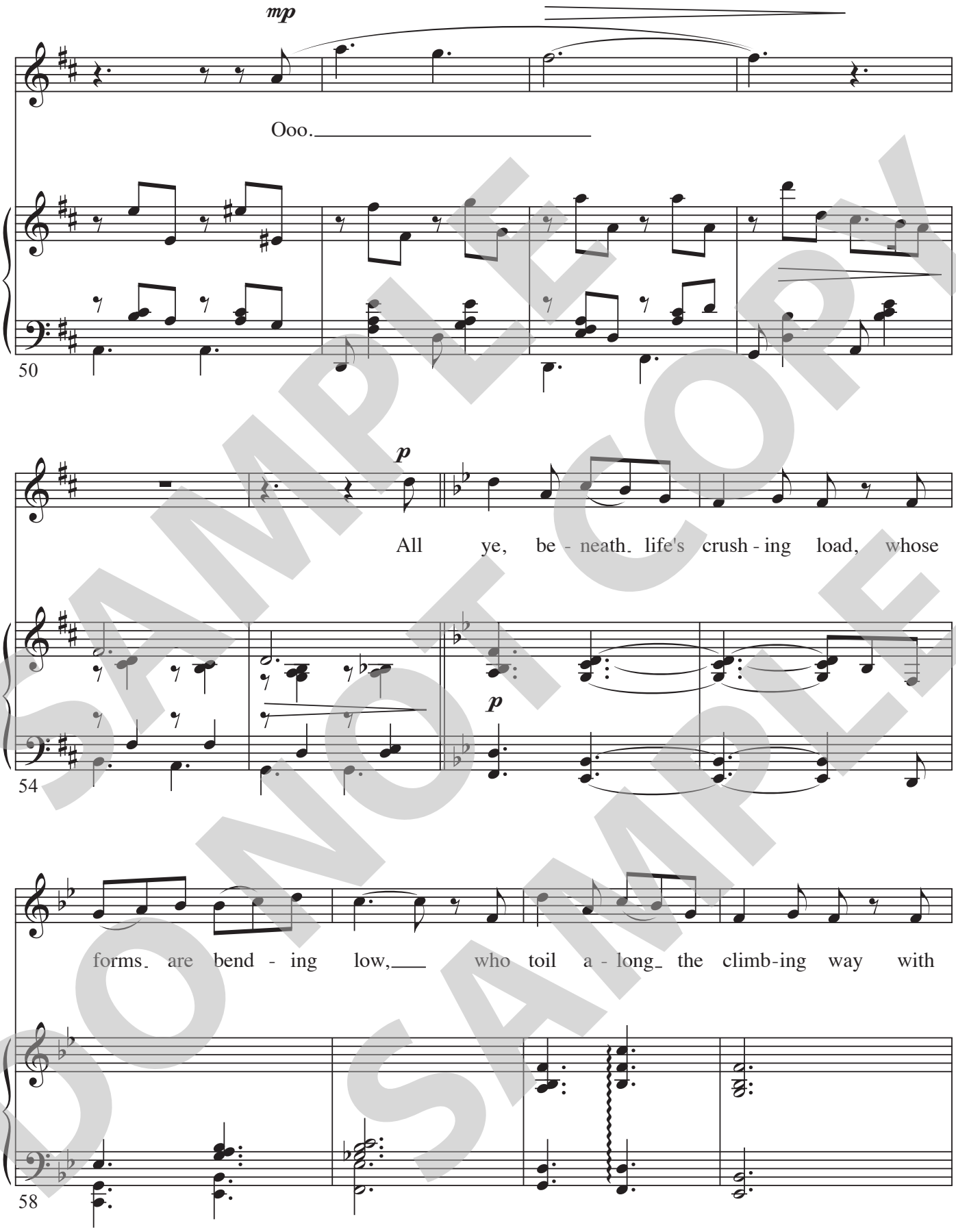

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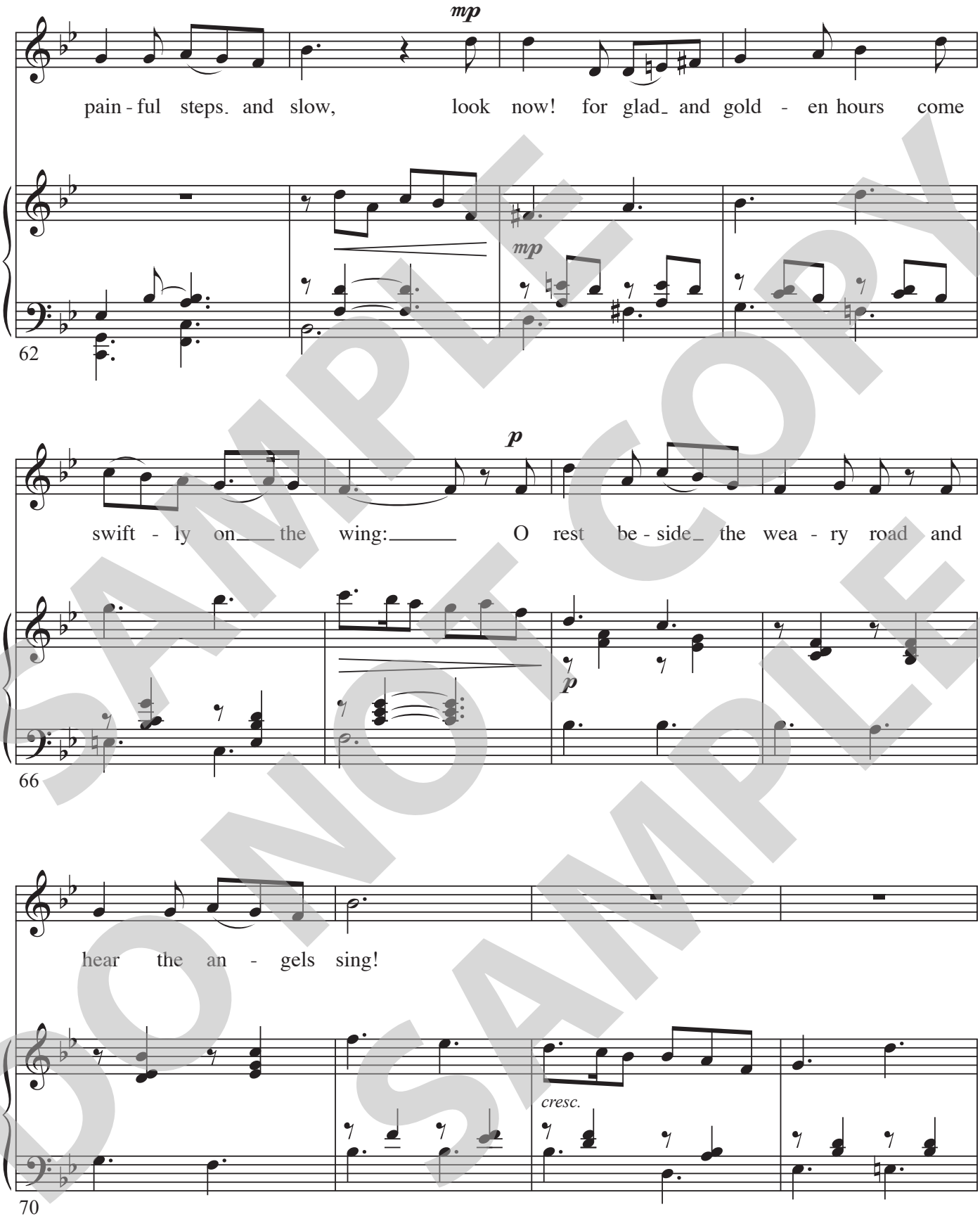

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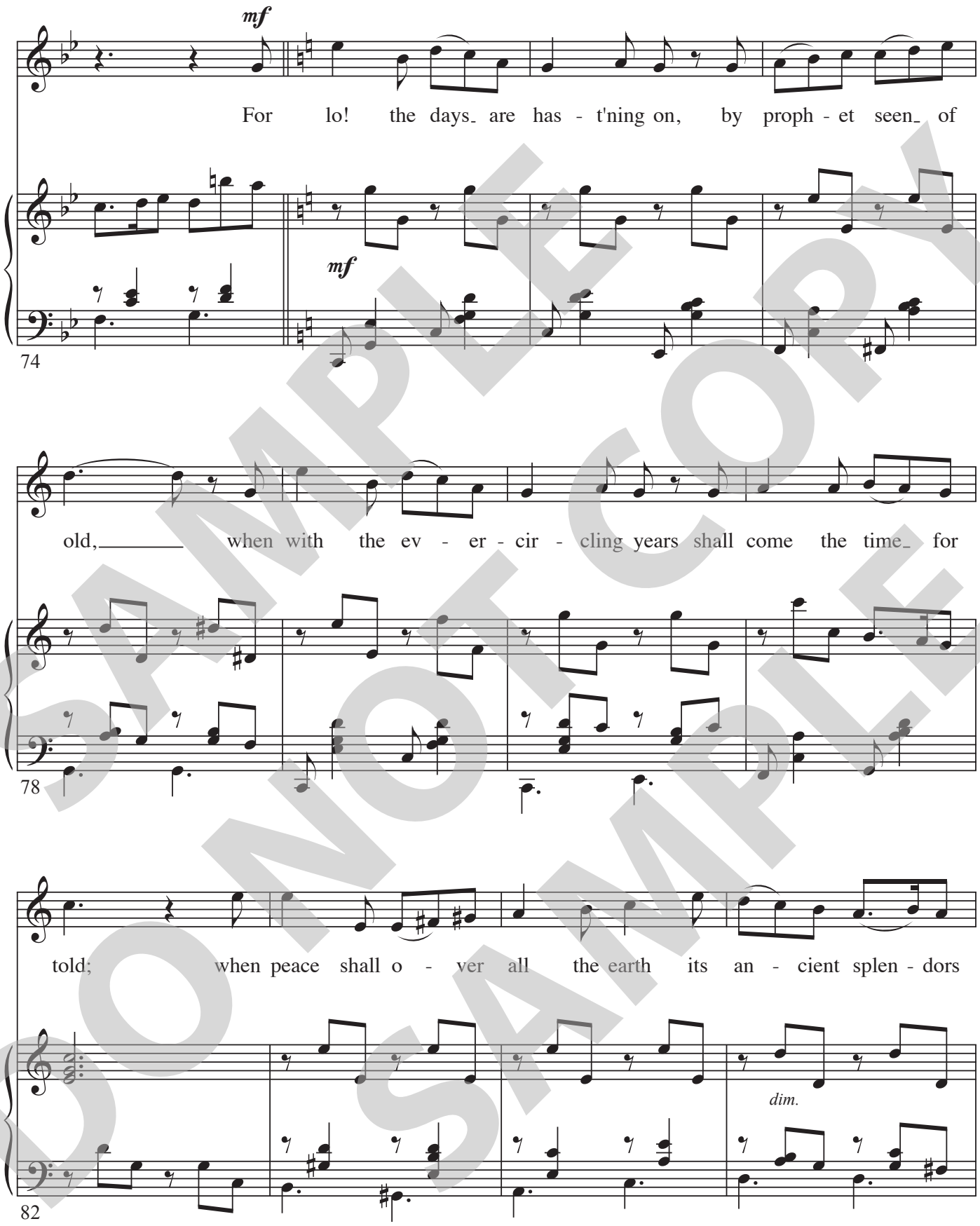

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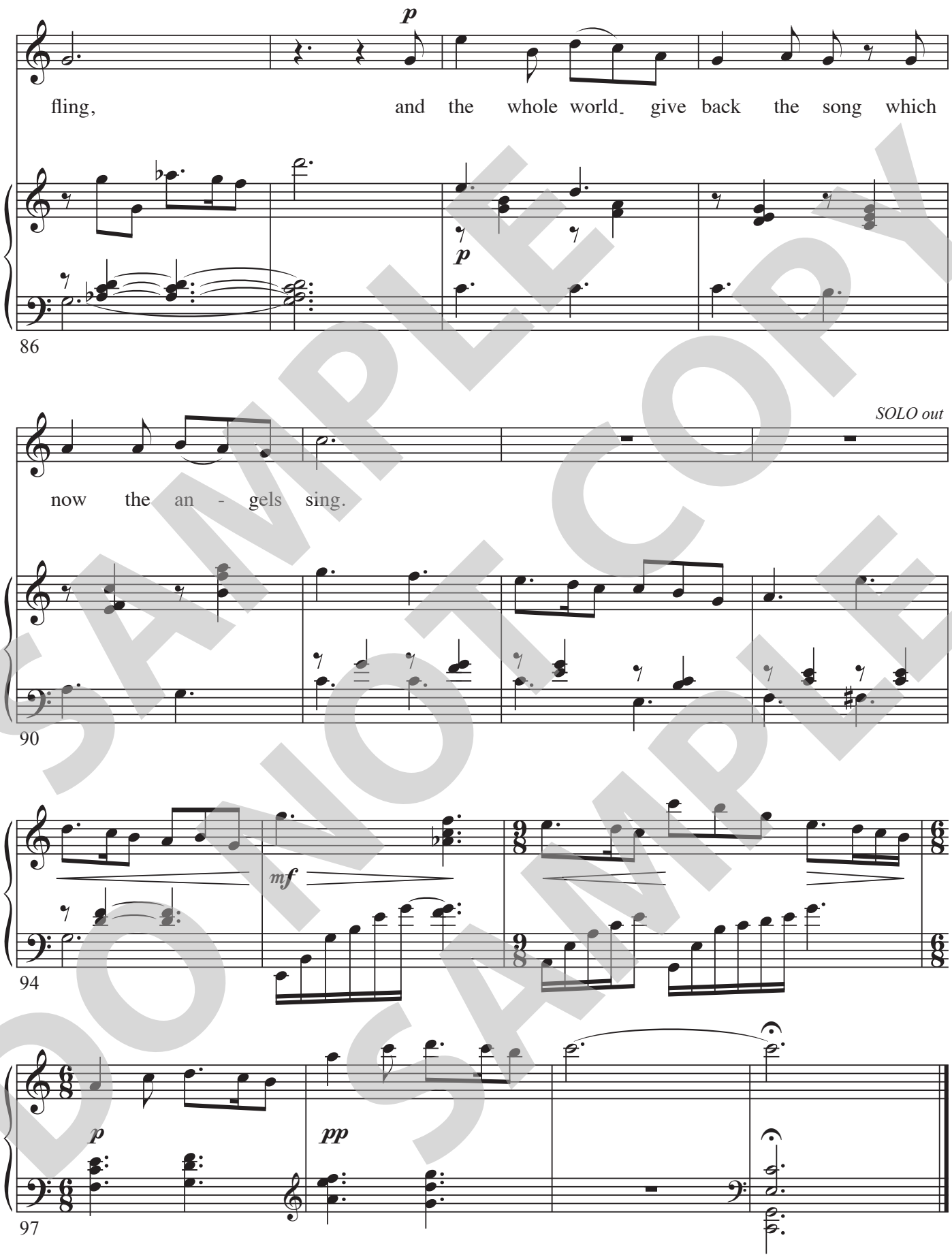

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Narrator 1:

The Holy Infant and a Lowly Manger:
When we think about the birth of Christ, we think of the baby Jesus wrapped in swaddling clothes. We think of Mary and Joseph lovingly gazing upon the holy Infant. We think of the shepherds and wise men adoring the Babe in a manger. We often picture Jesus' birth through the lens of the nativity scene.

This familiar imagery often depicts the manger as a clean, straw-filled crib, but mangers were simply feeding troughs for animals. When Mary and Joseph arrived in Bethlehem, there was no room in the inn, and they were forced to seek shelter elsewhere. Out of necessity, they spent the night of Jesus' birth in a stable, and a manger was used for His crib.

More than 2,000 years ago, the greatest gift of all came in the form of a precious Baby wrapped in swaddling clothes. He came from the highest place of power and majesty to be born in a lowly manger, and to later die on a rugged cross. And he did it all for us.

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved."

That is a love beyond words. We are so thankful for Jesus and as we celebrate Christmas, let's remember the events surrounding His birth and the humble circumstances in which He was born.

Let's remember the life He lived, the lessons He taught, and the sacrifices that He made for us. God gave us the greatest gift of all when He gave us His son, Jesus. Are our hearts open? Is there room for Him there?

Sing: O Come, O Come Emmanuel

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O Come O Come Emmanuel

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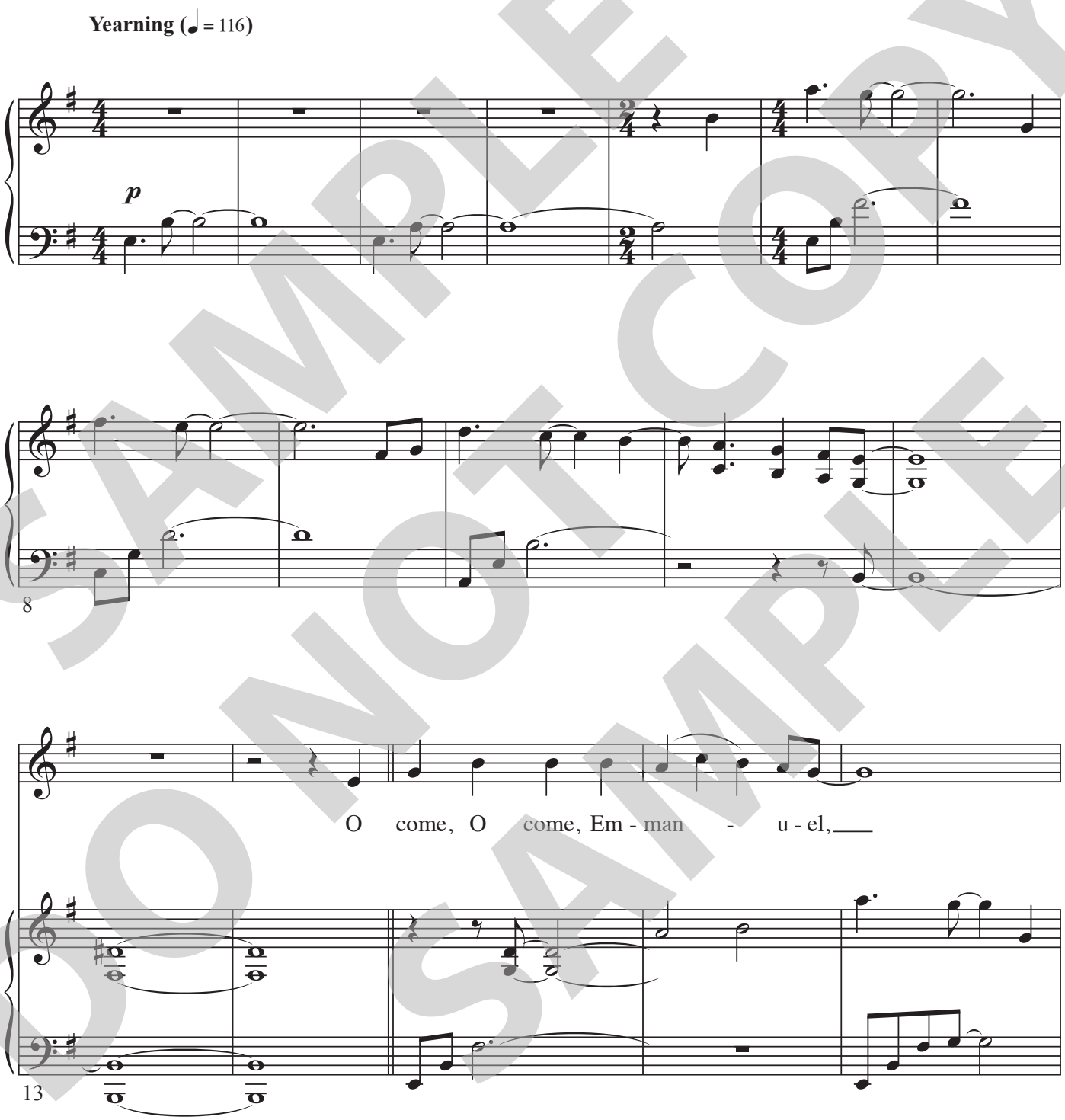

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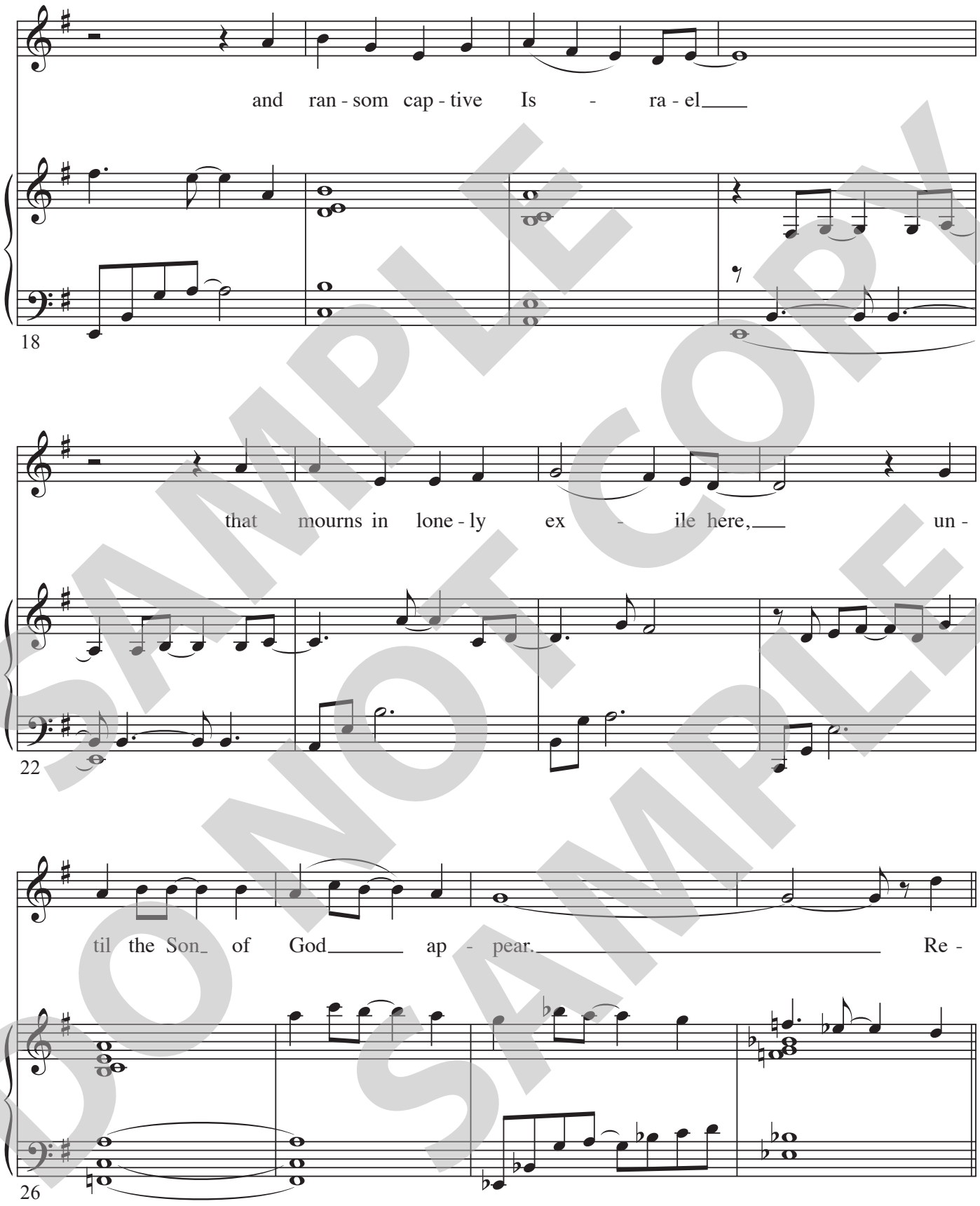

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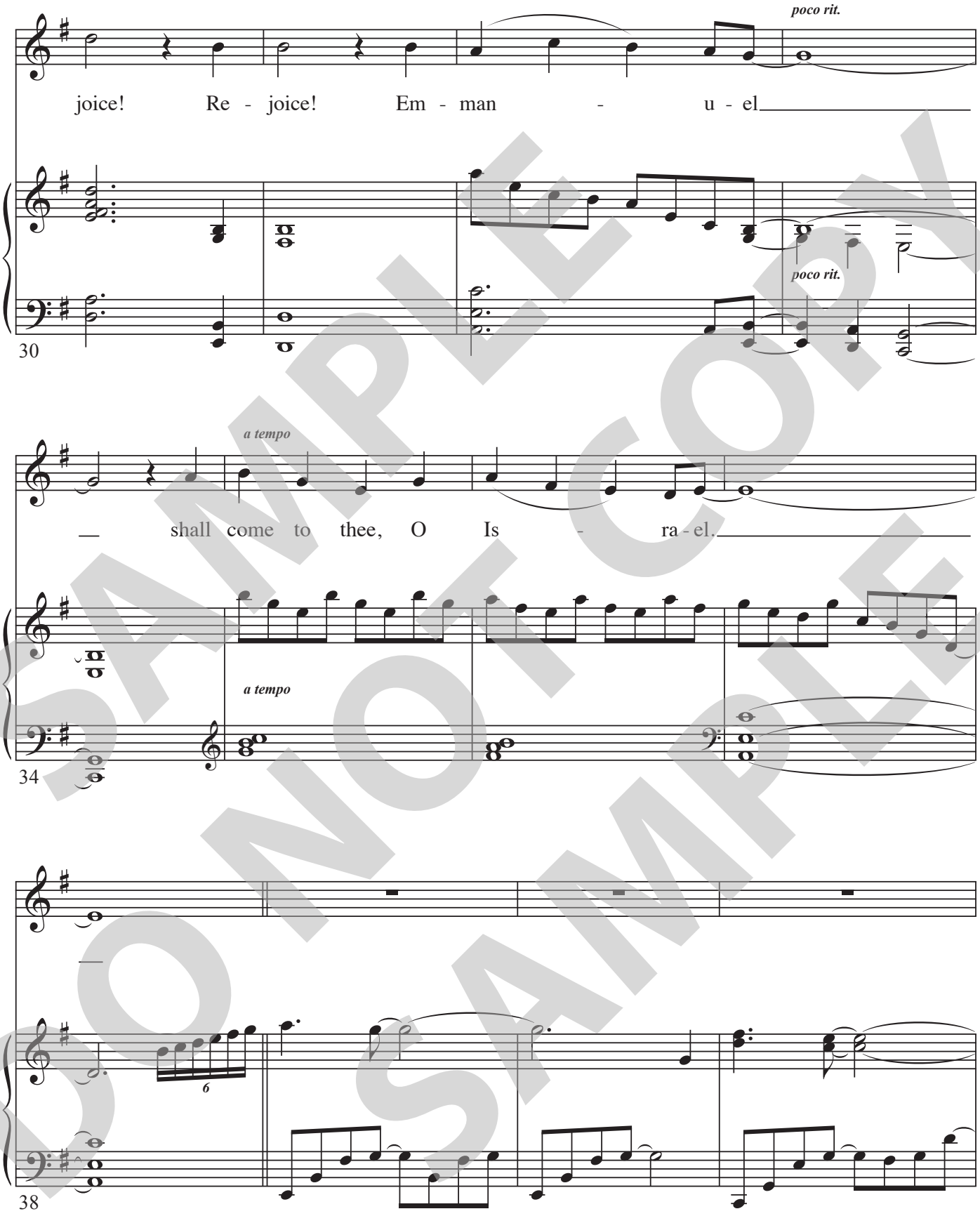

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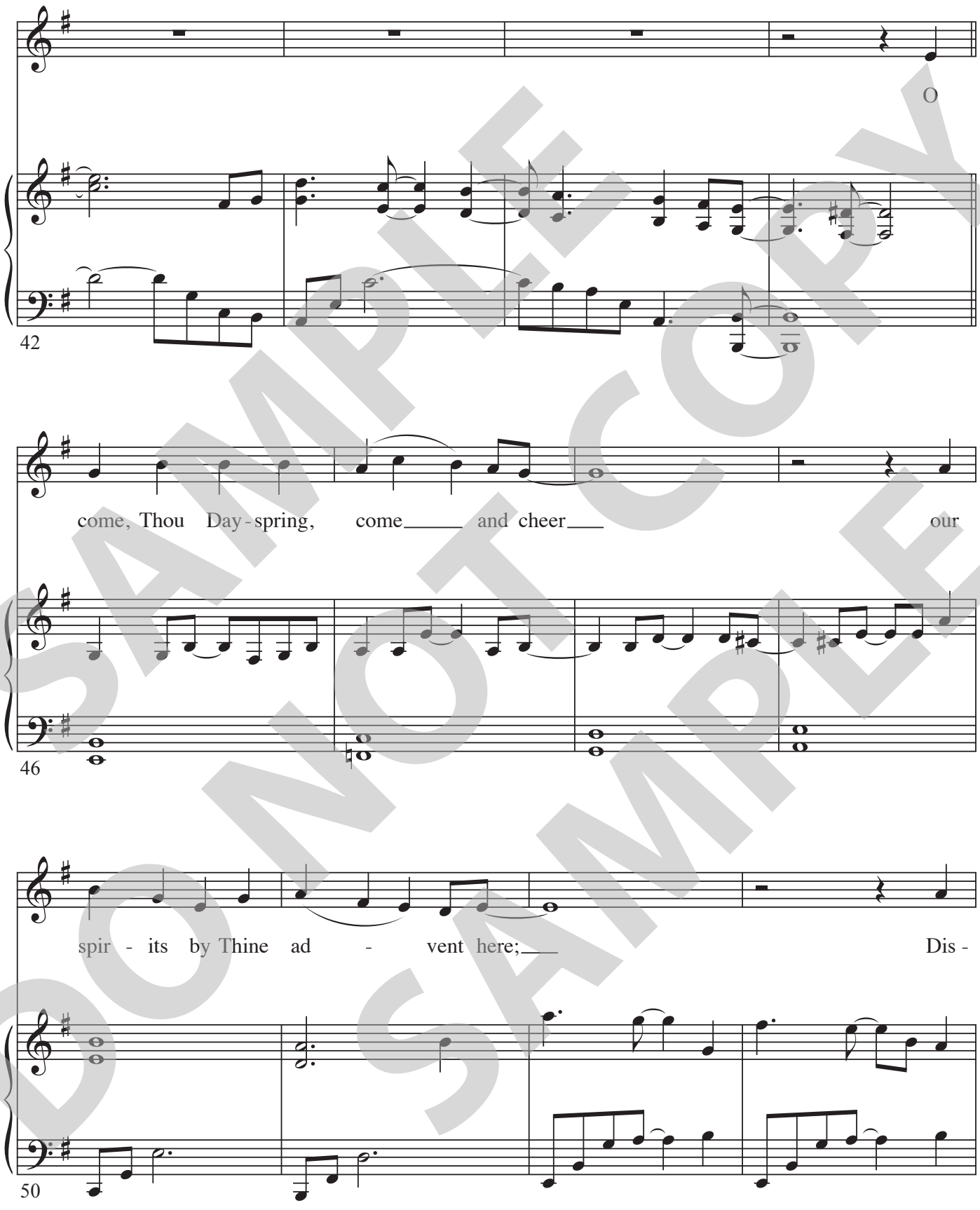

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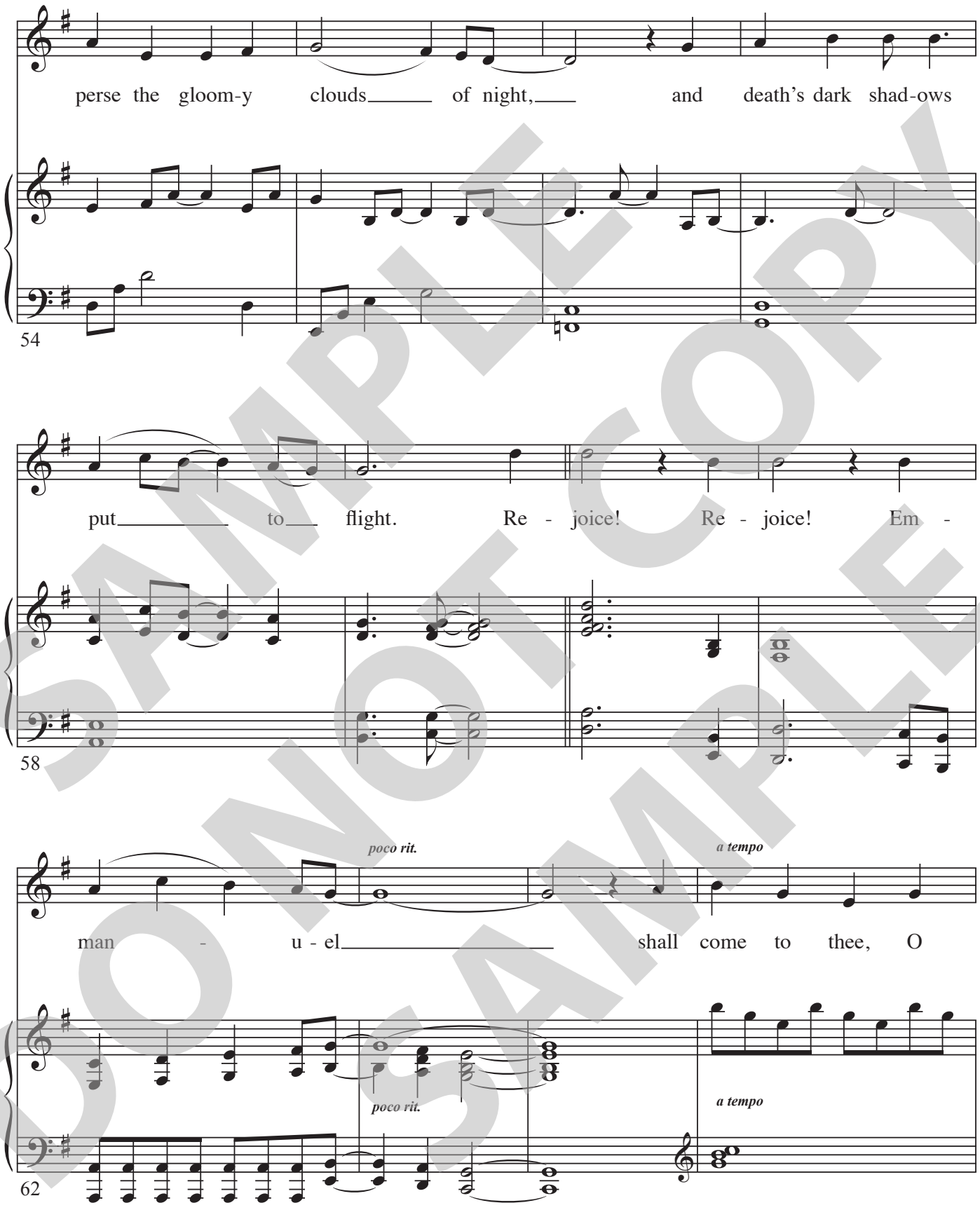

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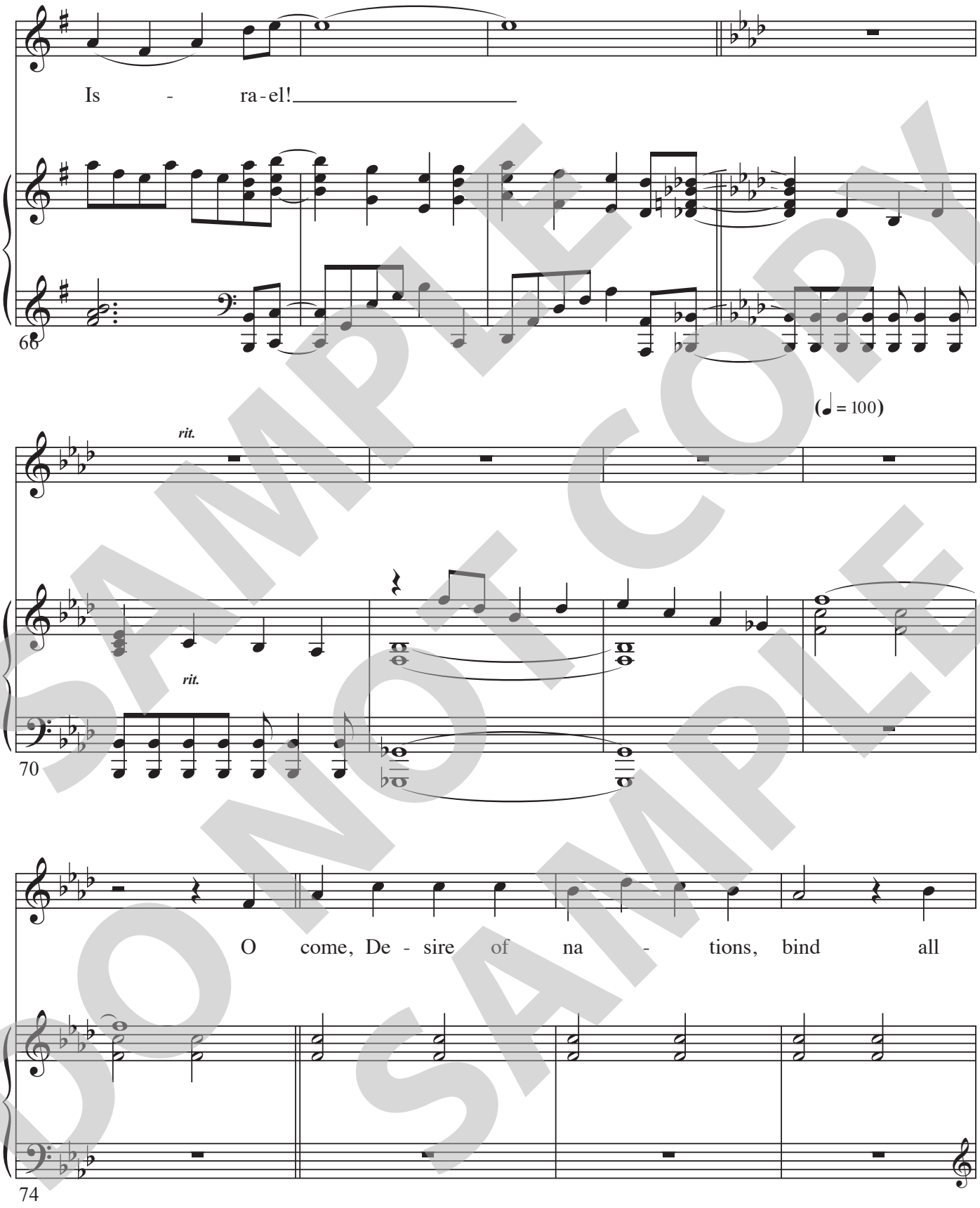

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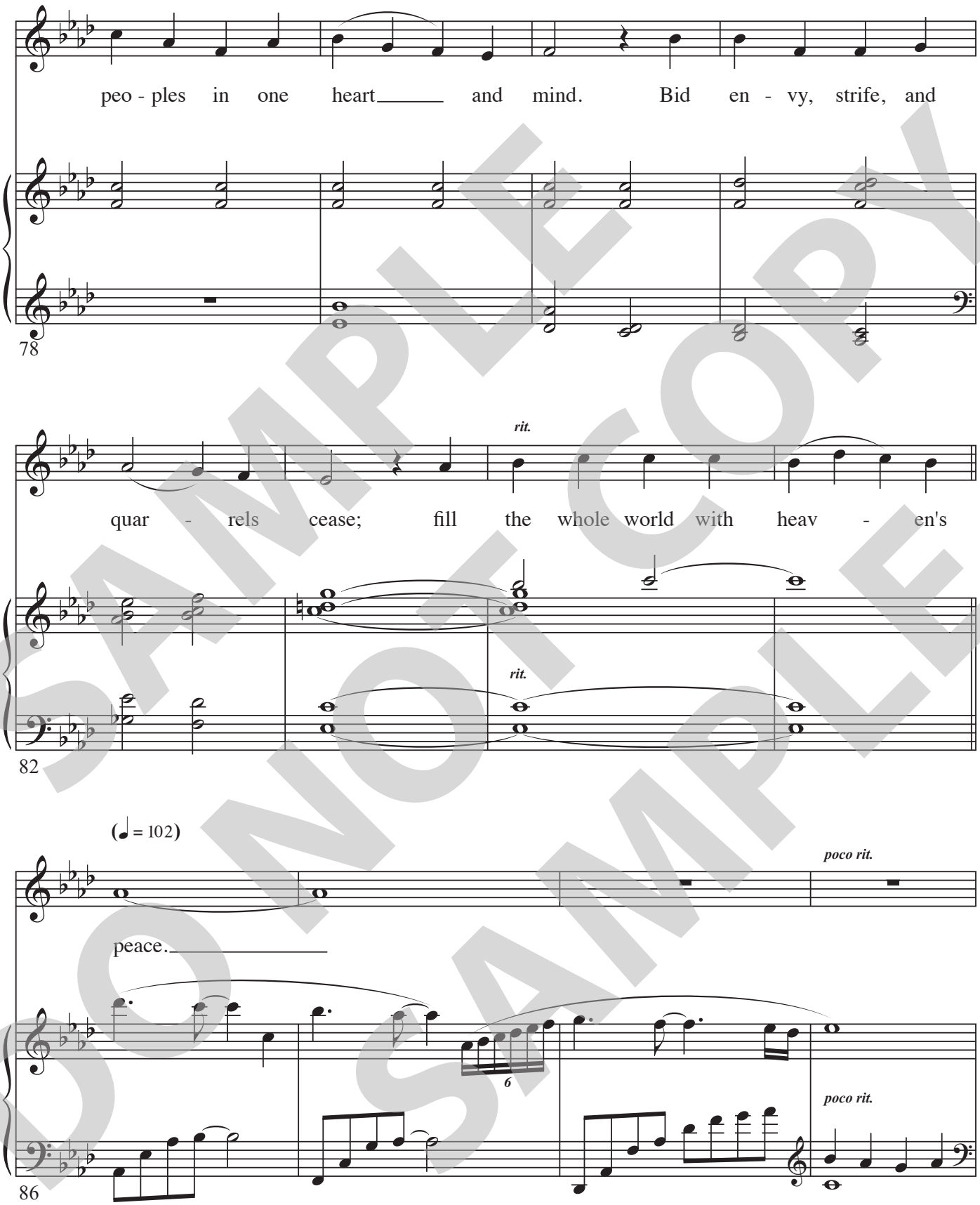

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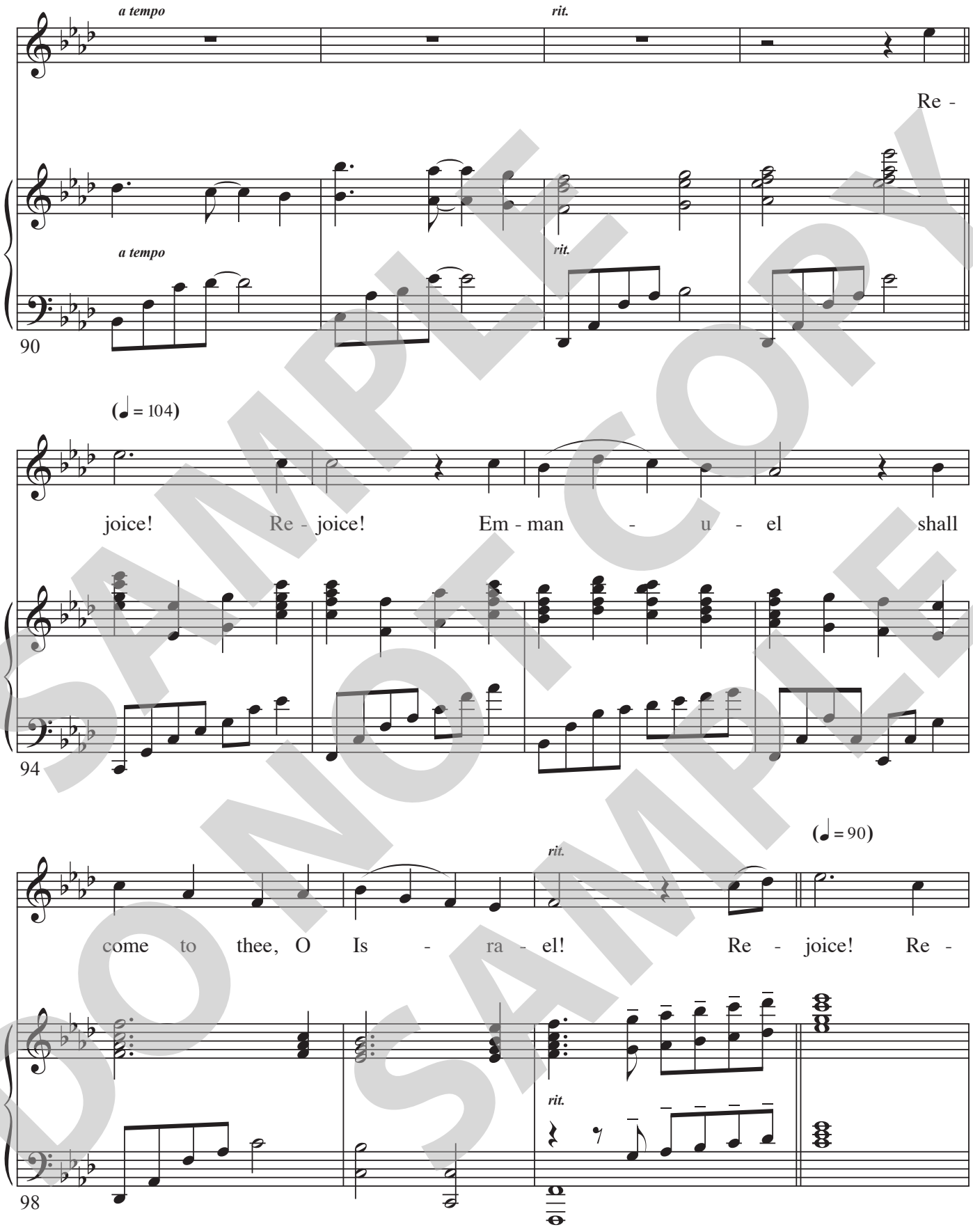

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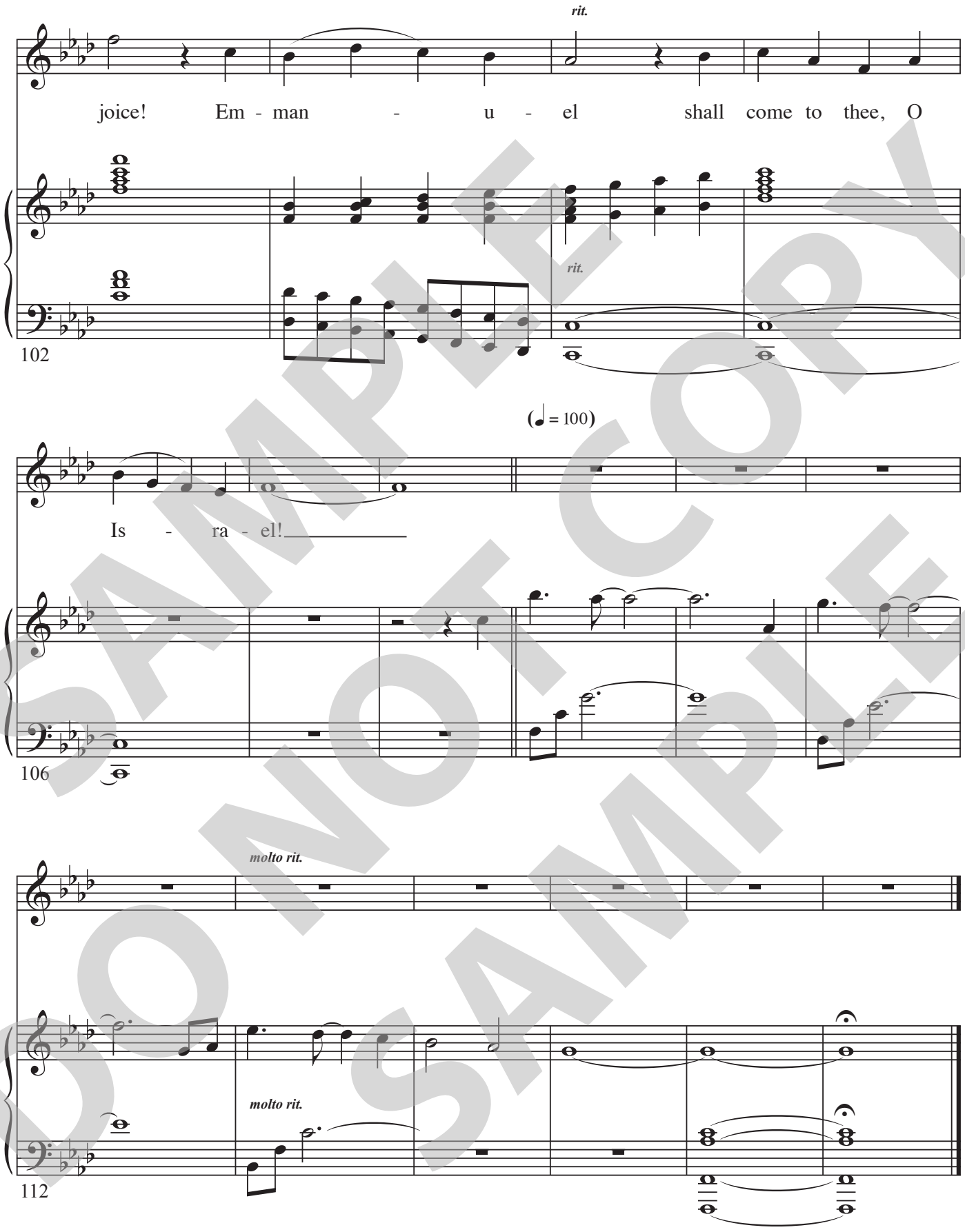

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Optional Instrumental: Sleep in Heavenly Peace
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Sleep in Heavenly Peace

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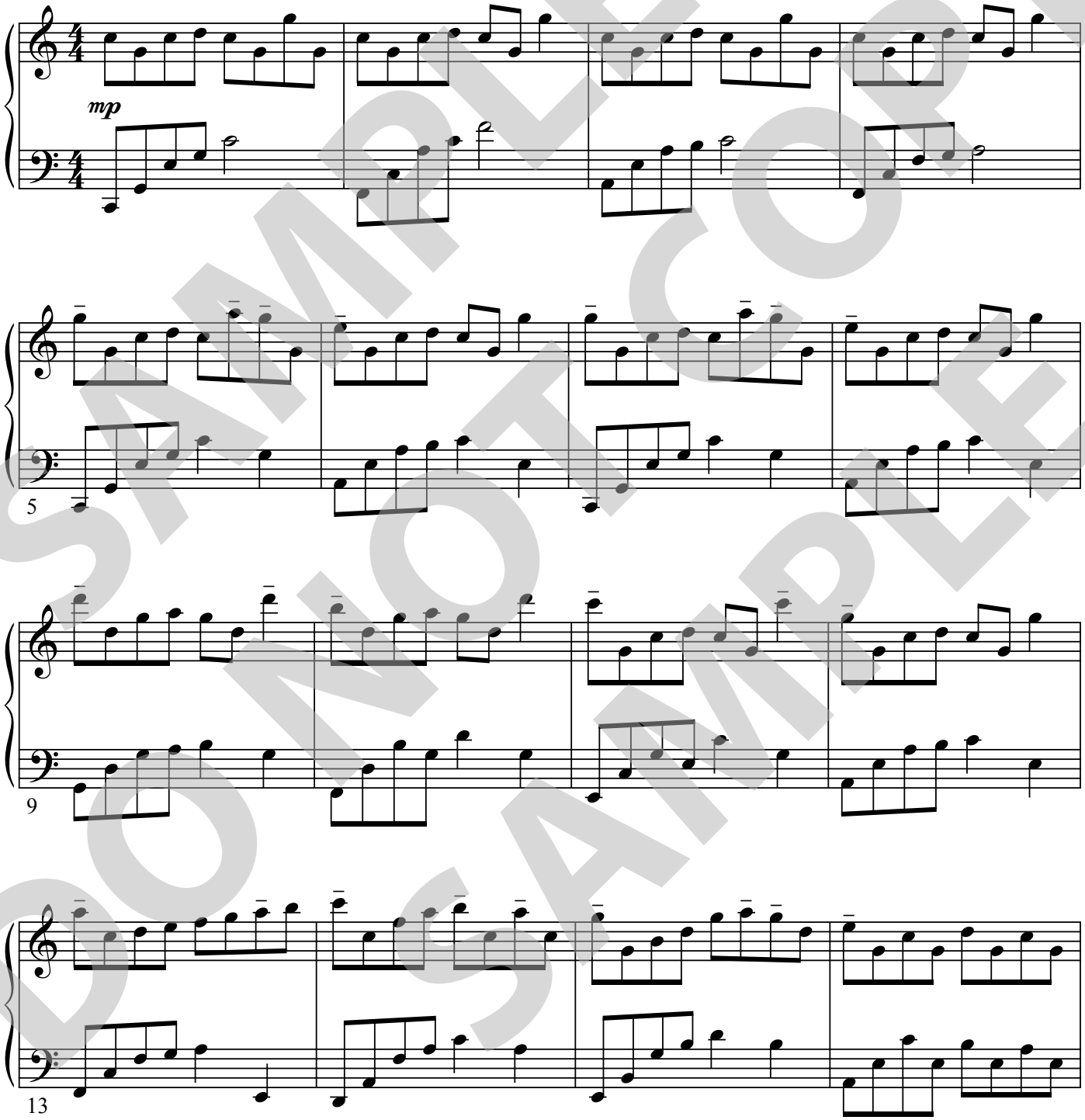

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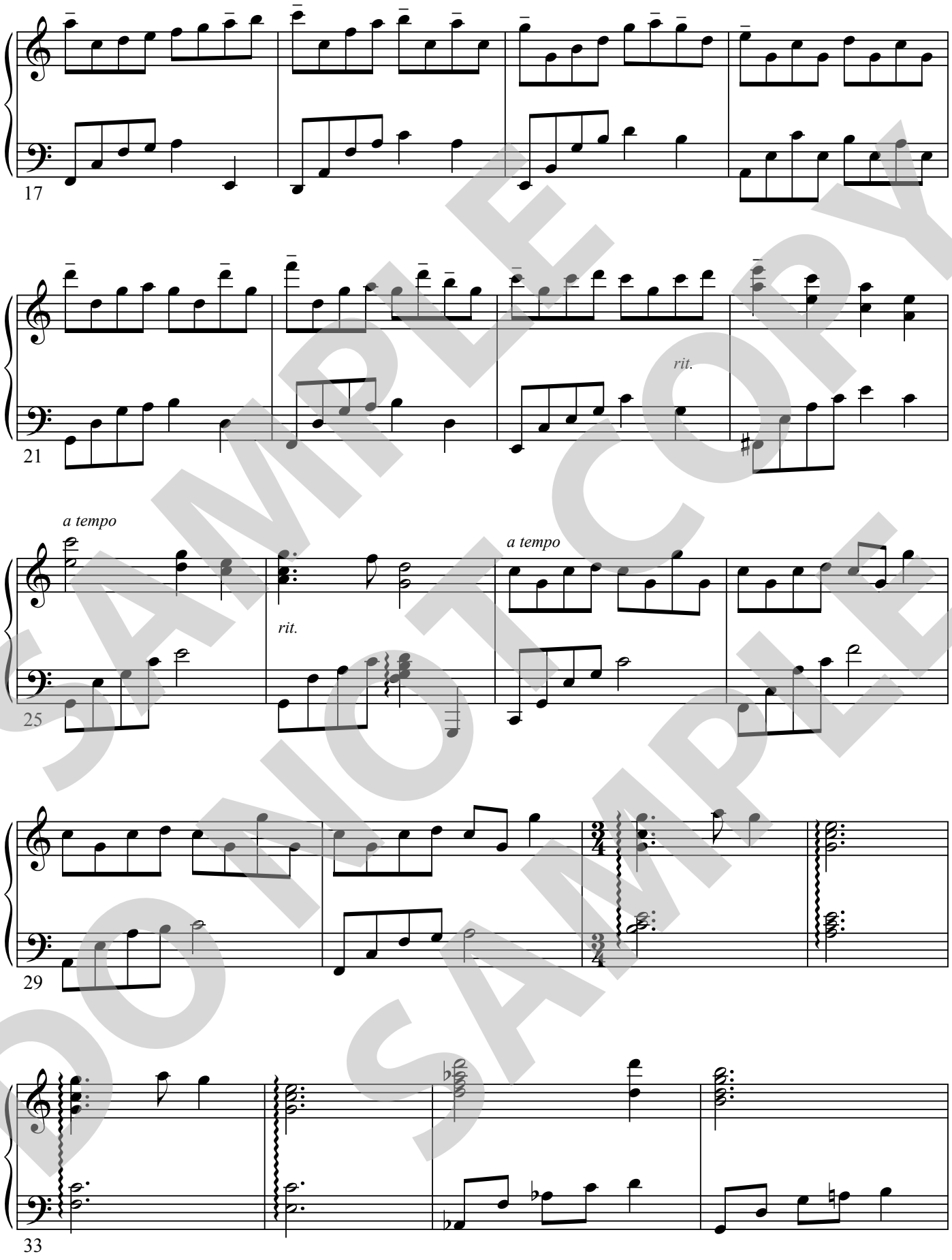

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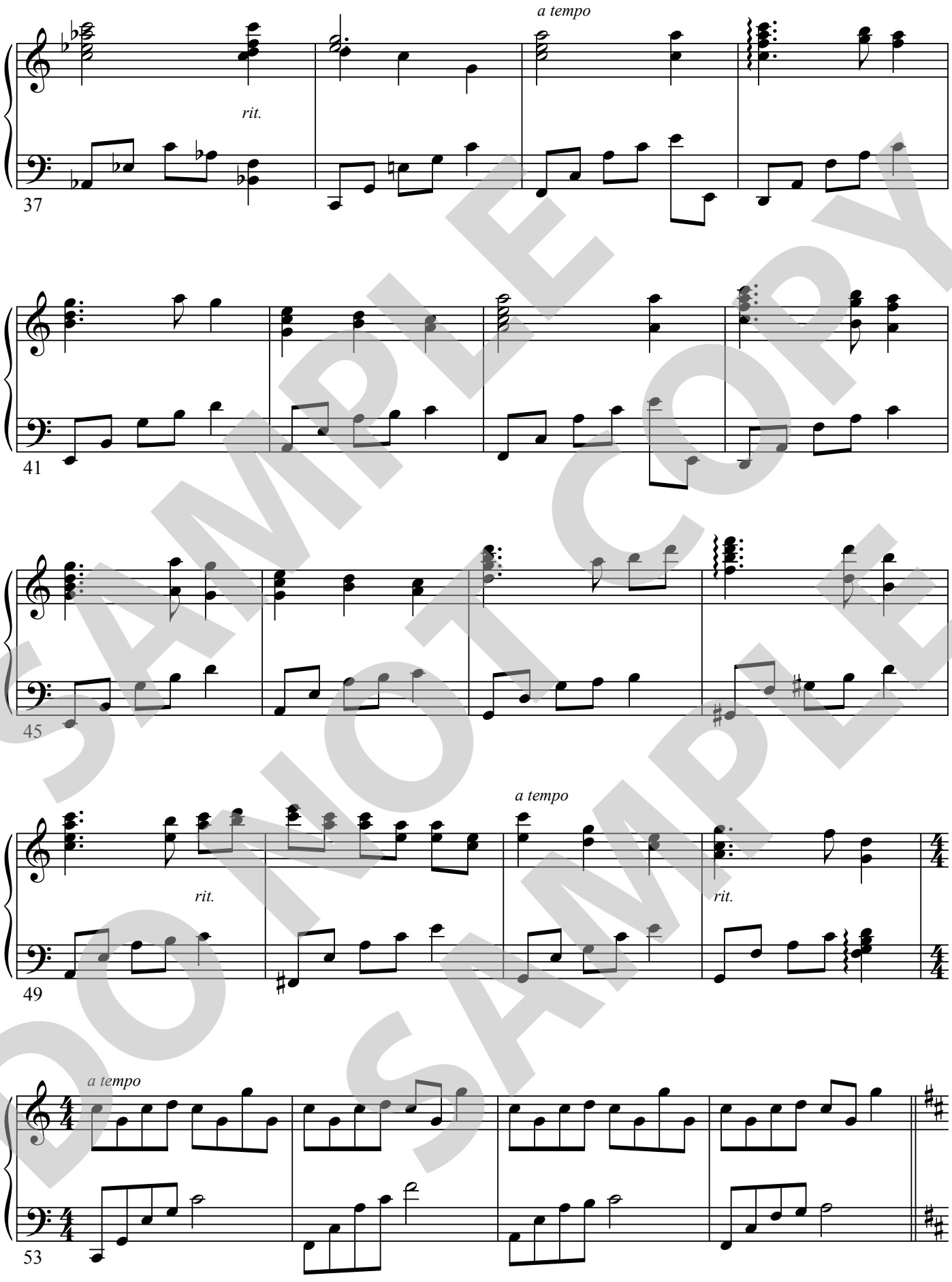

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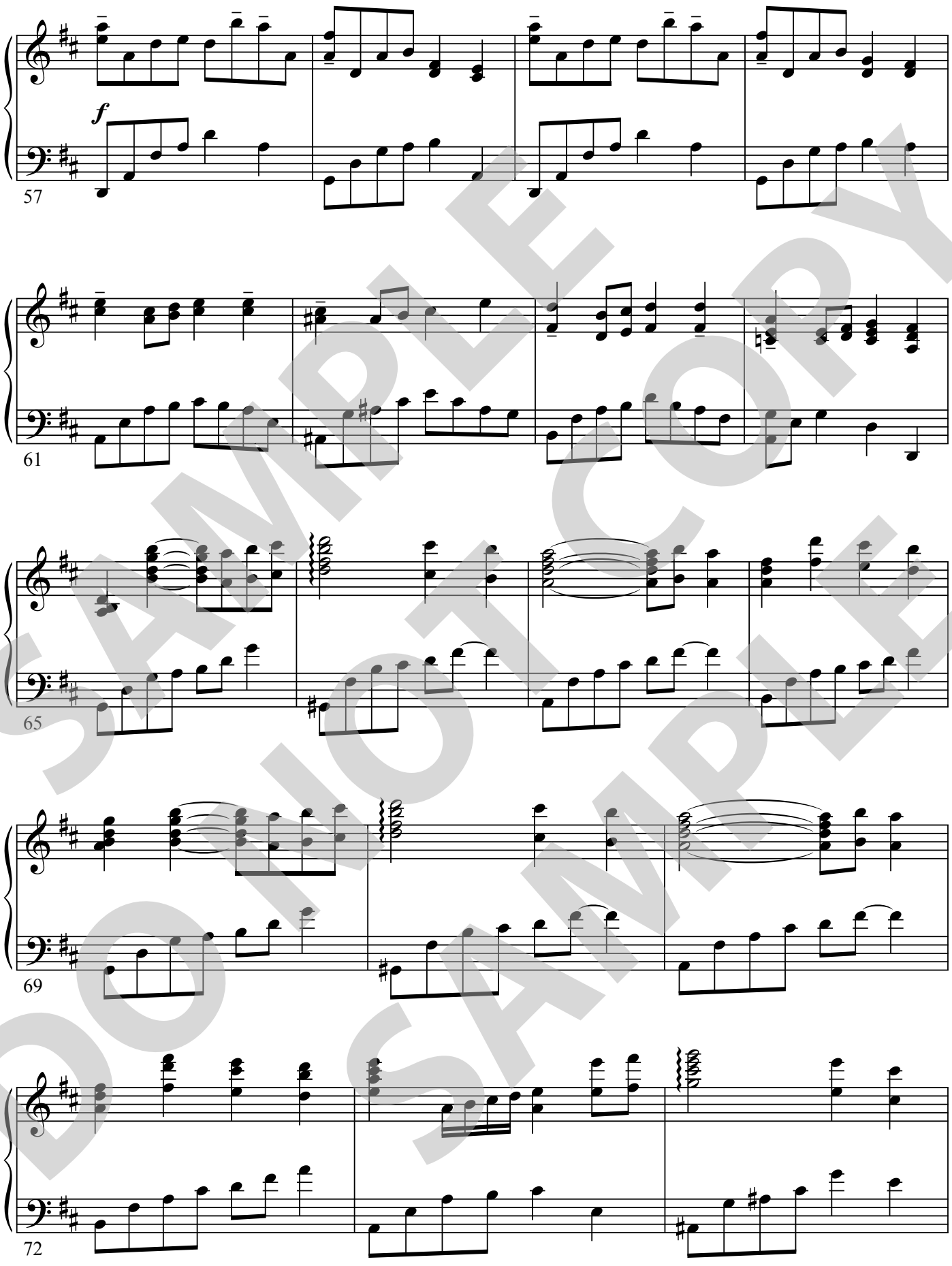

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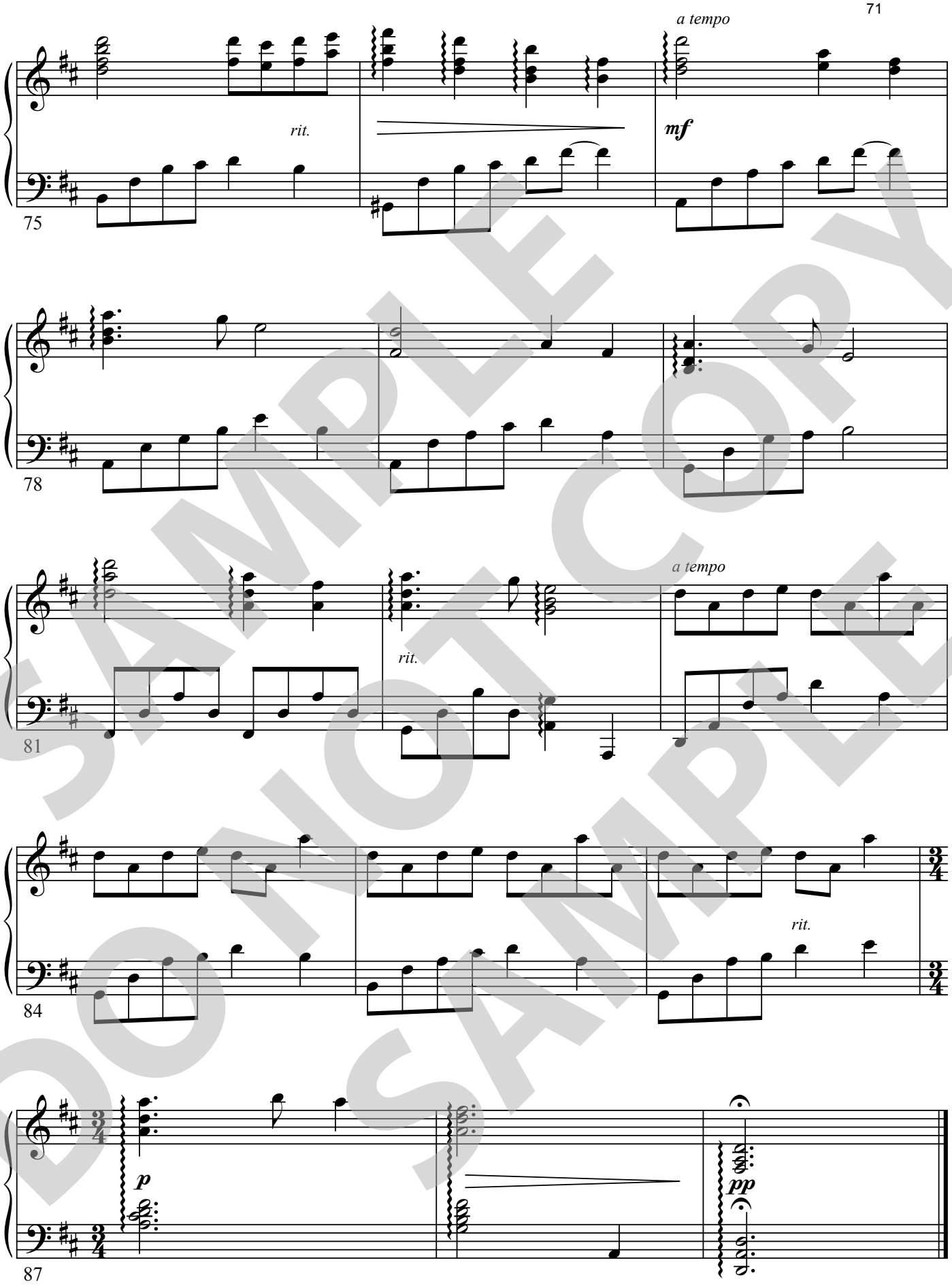

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Narrator 2:

Prepare Him Room:

When we think of Christmas, we think of the special memories, the decorative heirlooms, and the glowing lights that warm our hearts in sentimental ways. We think of the joy that comes with the celebration of Jesus' birth.

We think of preparing our homes to welcome friends and family. Those are all good things, but have we prepared our hearts for Jesus and made room for Him there? That is the true meaning of Christmas. It's the very reason that He came.

We've spent some time talking about some of the special moments and memories of Christmas, but we realize that not every Christmas is perfect. Not every memory is happy. Christmas is a difficult time for many. And for some, the Holidays, bring back painful memories and hurtful experiences from the past. But the Bible says that God is near to the broken hearted. He loves us so much.

The Creator of Heaven and earth sent His Son here for us on that very first Christmas. That was indeed a Christmas to remember. But this Christmas can be too. This can be a new beginning. A brand-new start.

God sent His Son for you and me. He left the throne of Heaven to be born here, to live, and to die for us. He sacrificed everything to rescue us from our sin and bring freedom and healing to the broken and hurting.

Jesus came to redeem us. He died to pay for our sin, and He triumphantly rose again! And Jesus said He would prepare a place for us. Think about that...the Lord of Heaven and Earth is preparing a place for you and me! Let's prepare a place for Him. Let's prepare Him room in our hearts.

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Narrator 1:
If you'd like to welcome Jesus into your heart
or if you'd like to recommit your life to Him, pray this simple prayer with me:

"Lord, I need Your forgiveness. I need Your life and Your peace.
I believe that Jesus is the Son of God and that He died for my sins.
Thank You for Your mercy and grace. Cleanse me and make me Your child.
Jesus, You are my Savior and I ask You to be the Lord of my life.

From this day on, help me to live for You and to let go of the past.
I invite you into my heart. Make my heart Your home.
Help me to walk closer with You every single day. I commit my life to You now.
In Your precious name, Lord Jesus, Amen."

If you accepted Jesus into your heart tonight, you have been born again!
You are a child of God! And we welcome and invite you to be
a part of our family here. Come and join us as we grow deeper
in our relationship with Jesus. We hope to see you here often
and we'd love to get to know you.

Let this Christmas be a new beginning in your life, turn the page on the past.
Let Him fill your heart with hope and joy. You have been born again!
And know this, tonight as we celebrate the birth of Jesus,
Heaven is rejoicing over you! Join us as we sing…

Sing: O Come All Ye Faithful Medley

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O Come All Ye Faithful Medley

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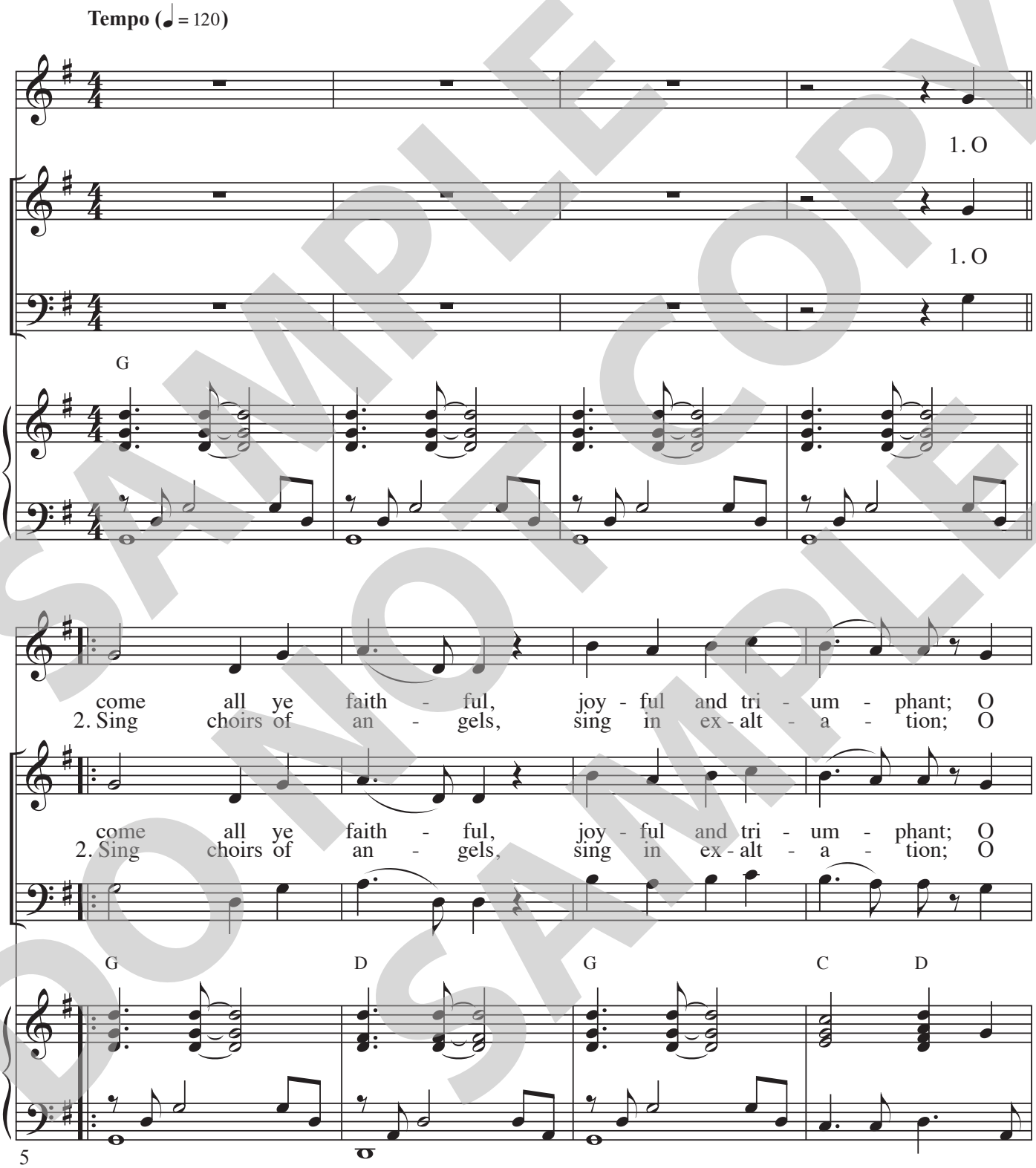

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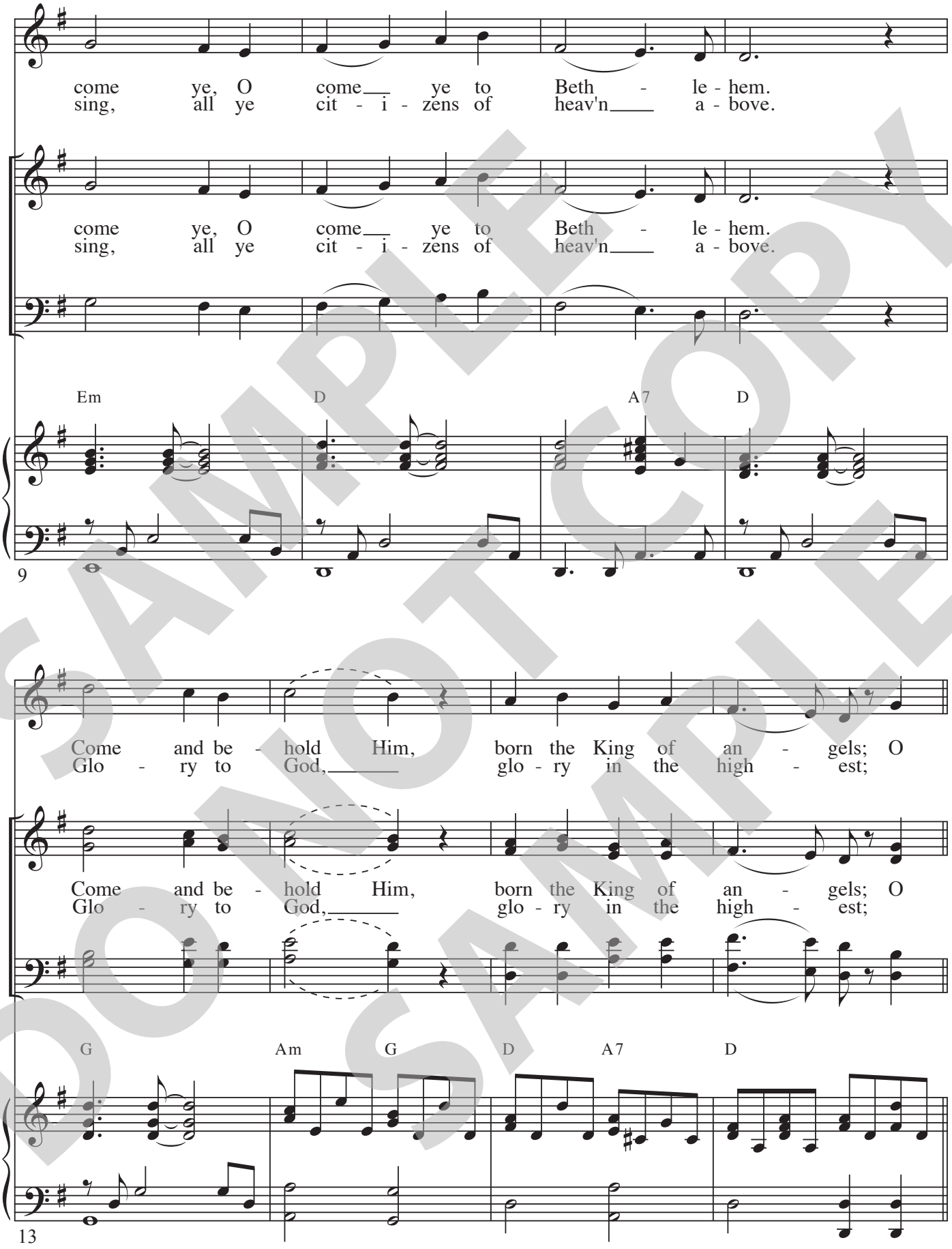

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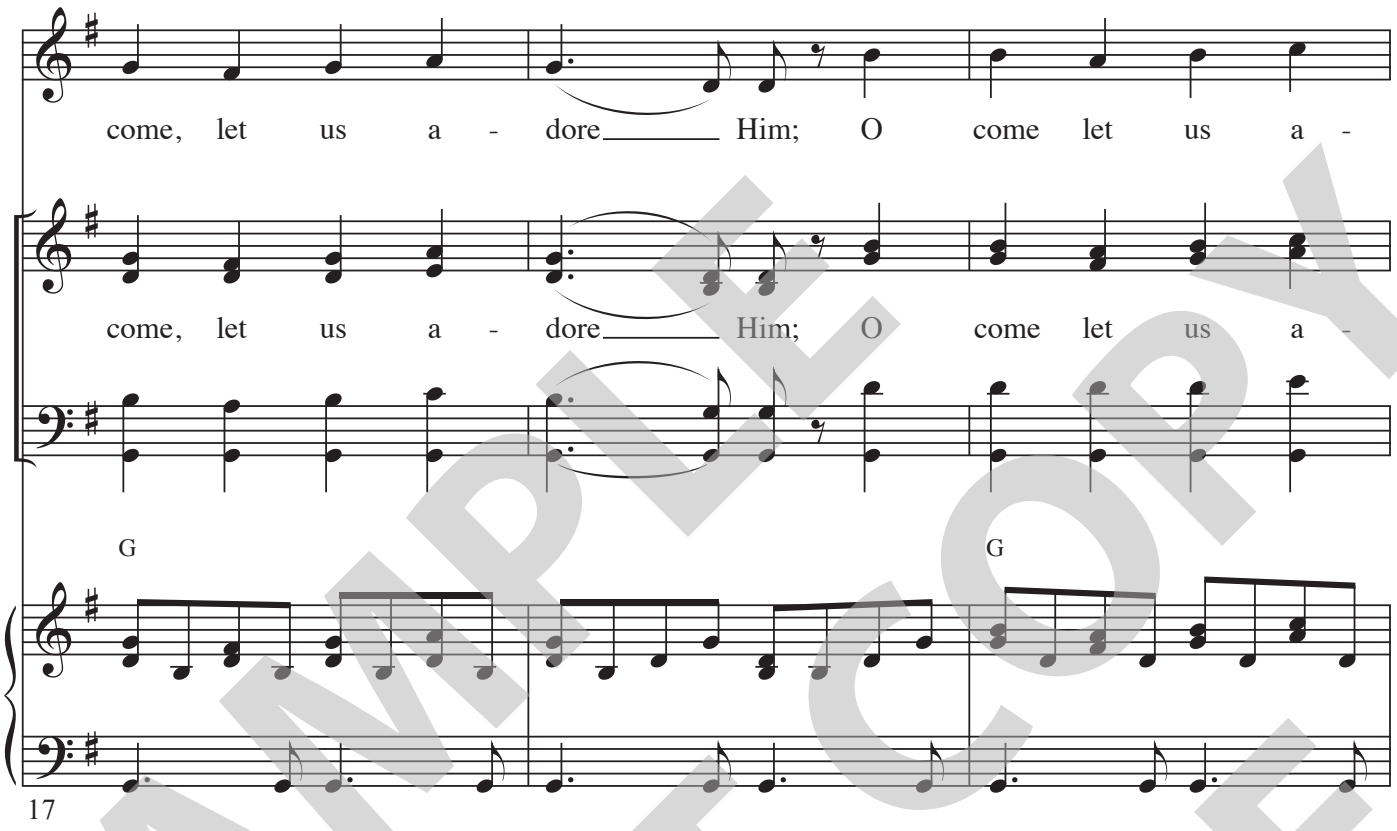

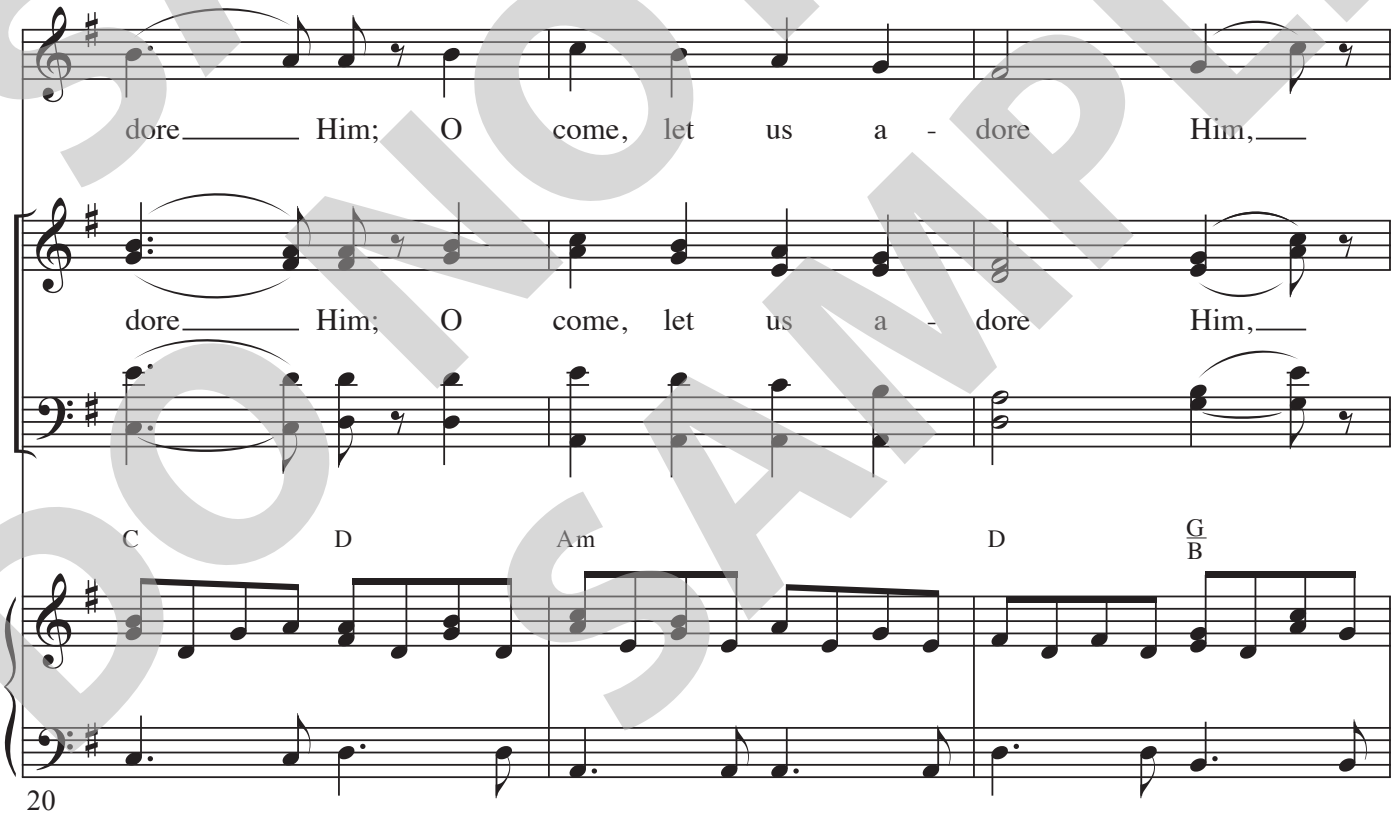

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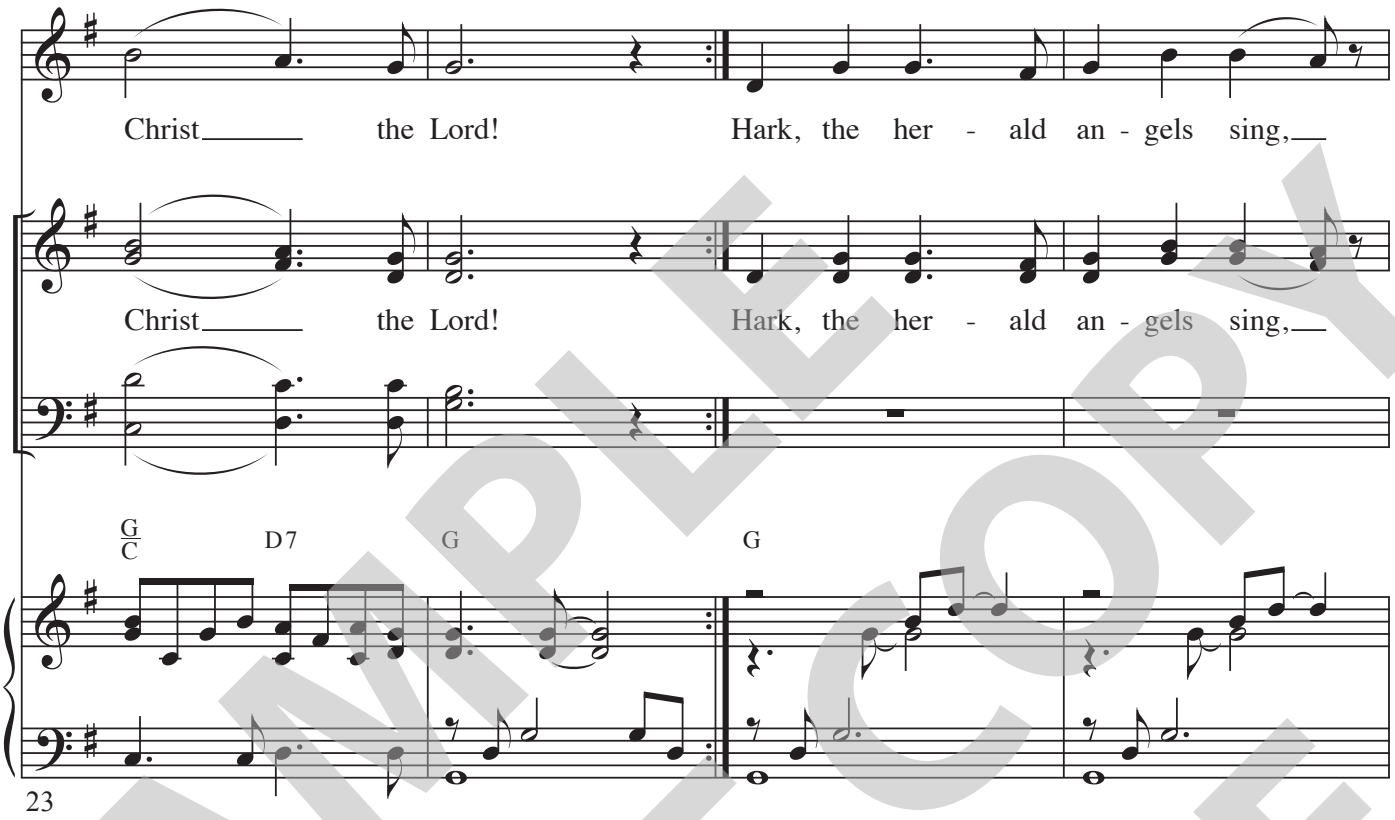

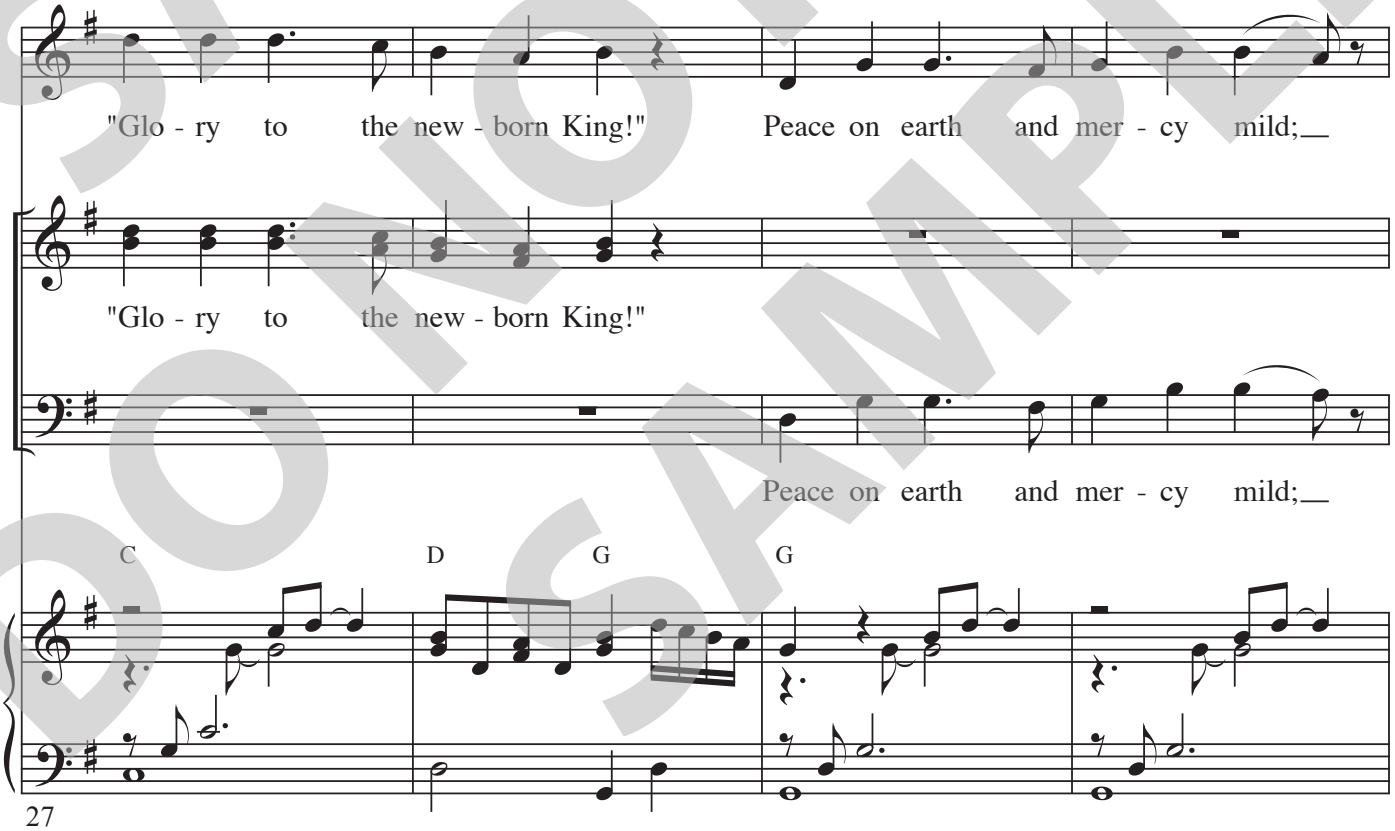

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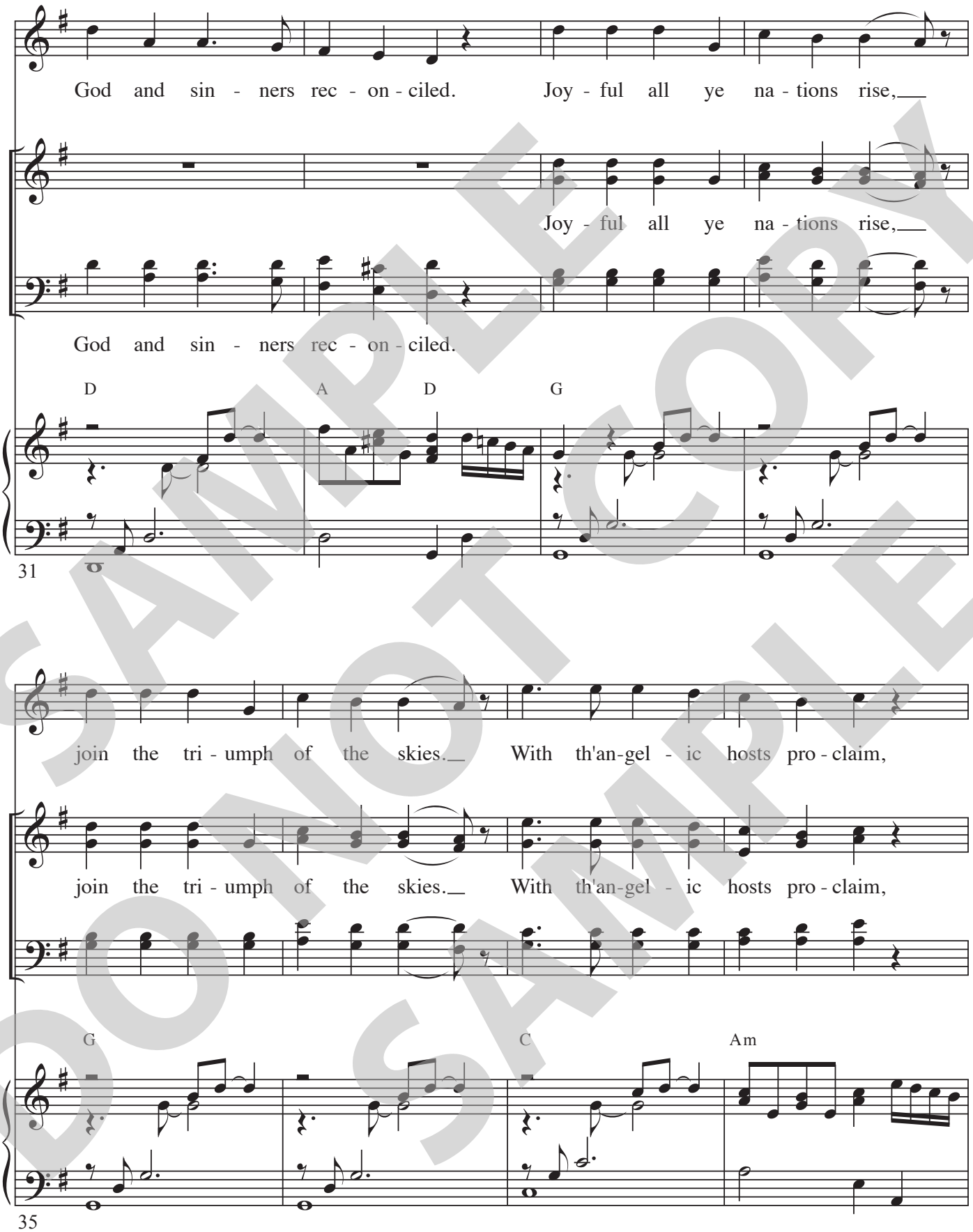

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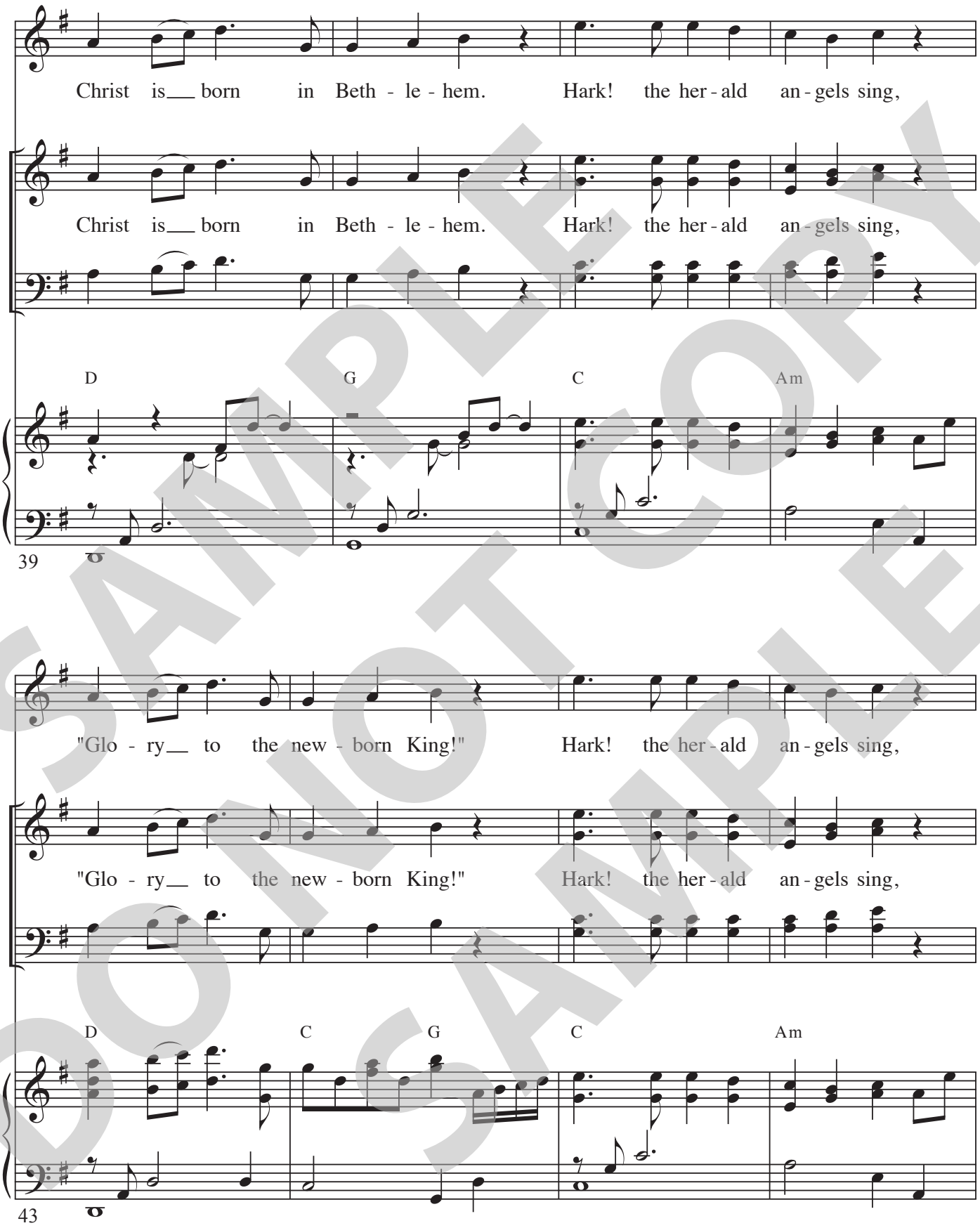

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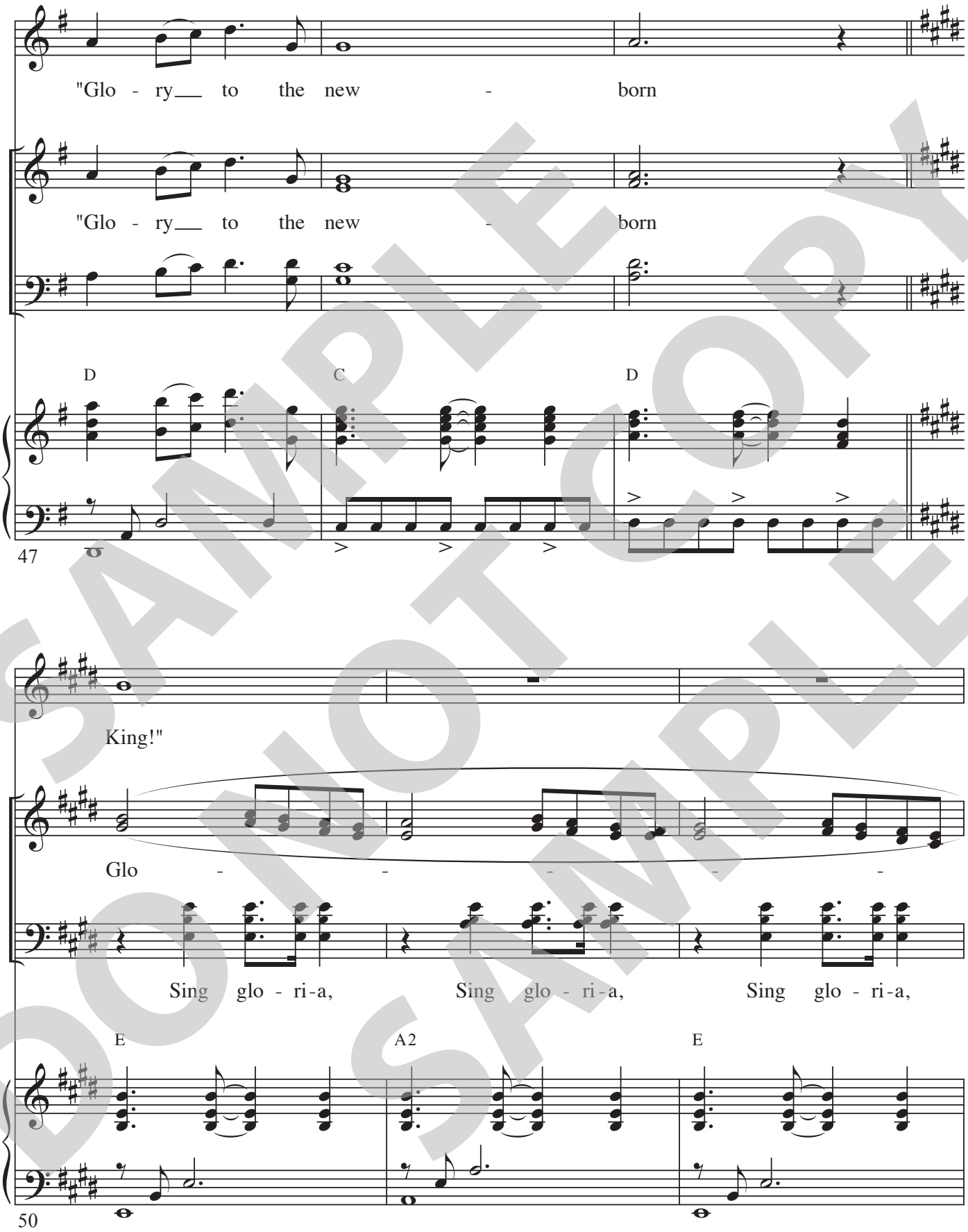

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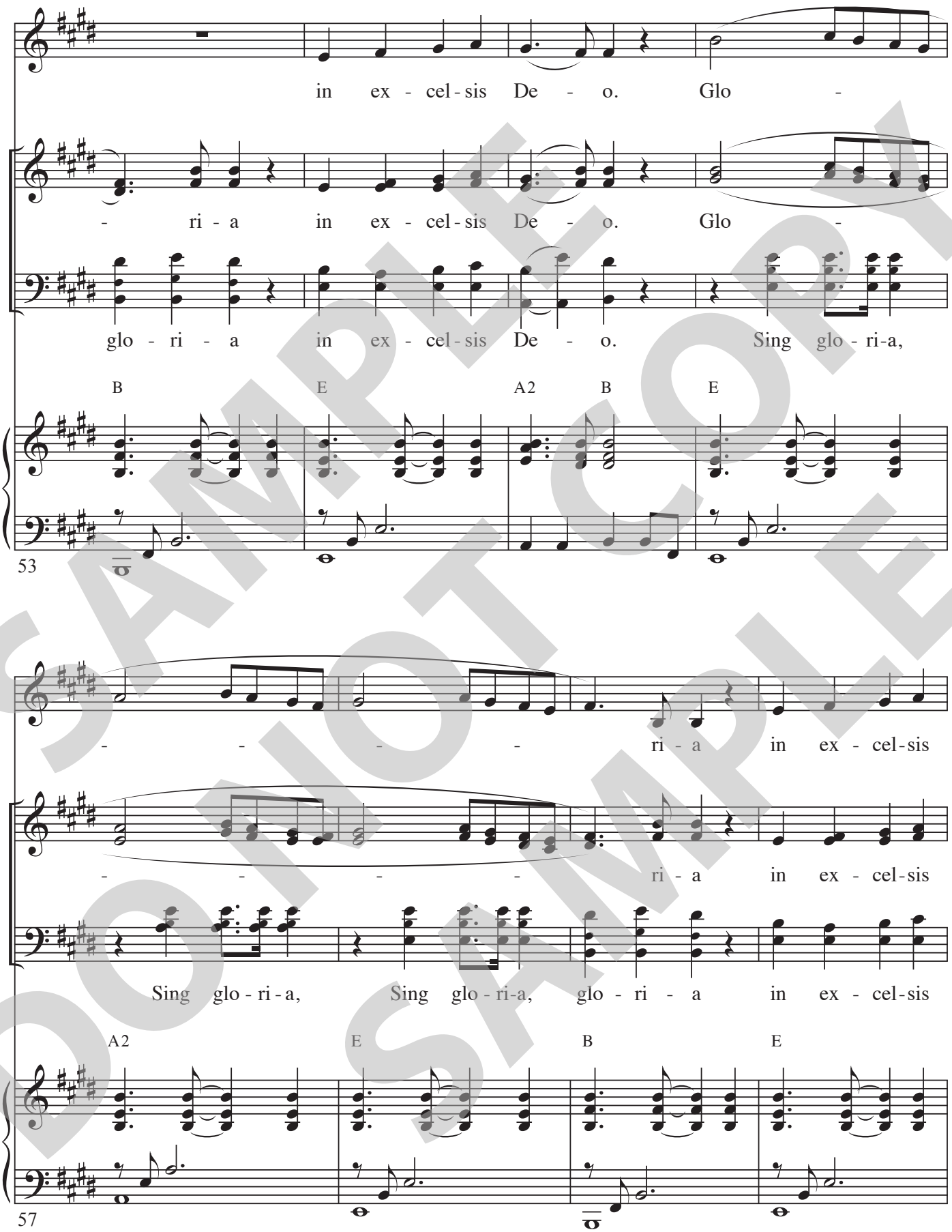

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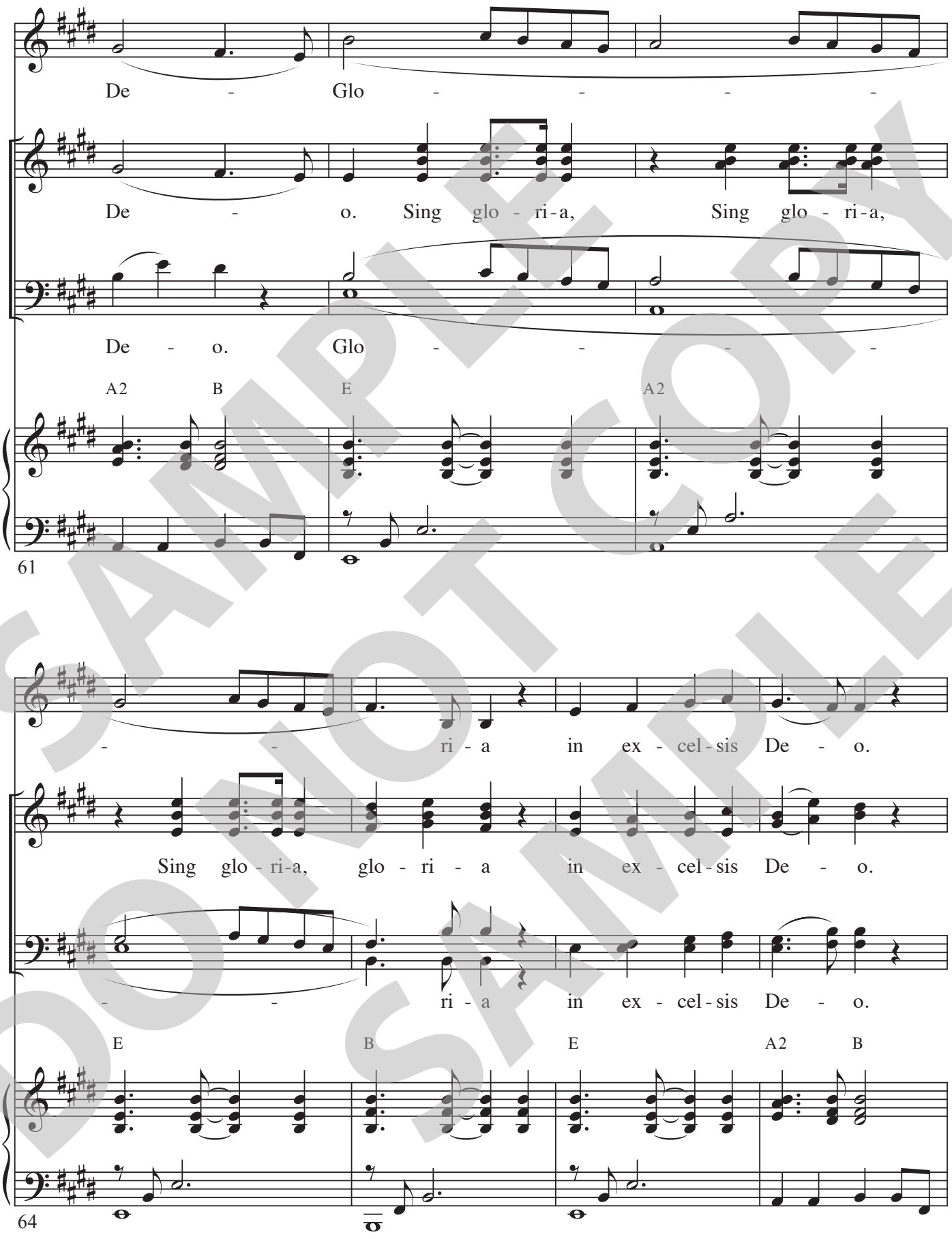

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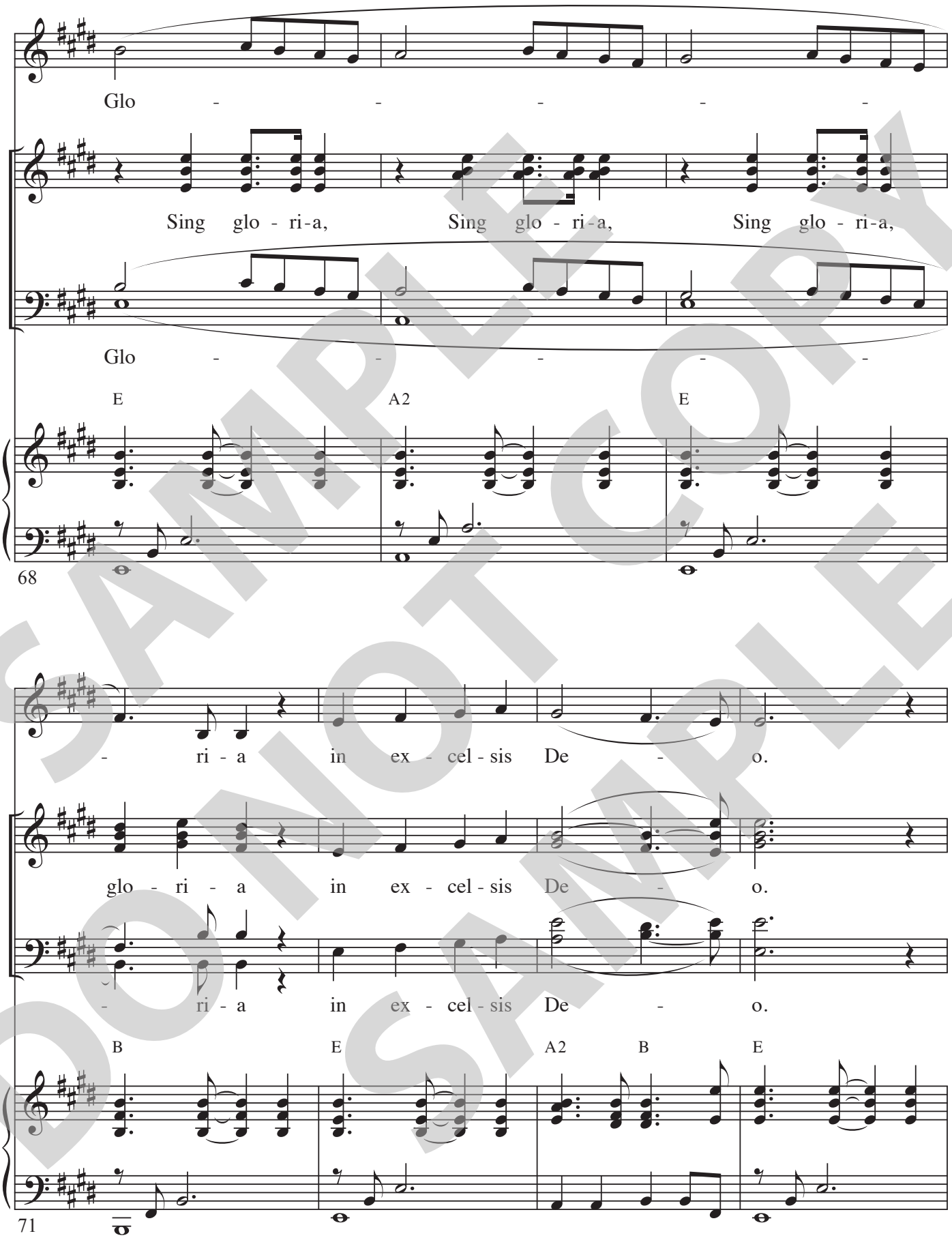

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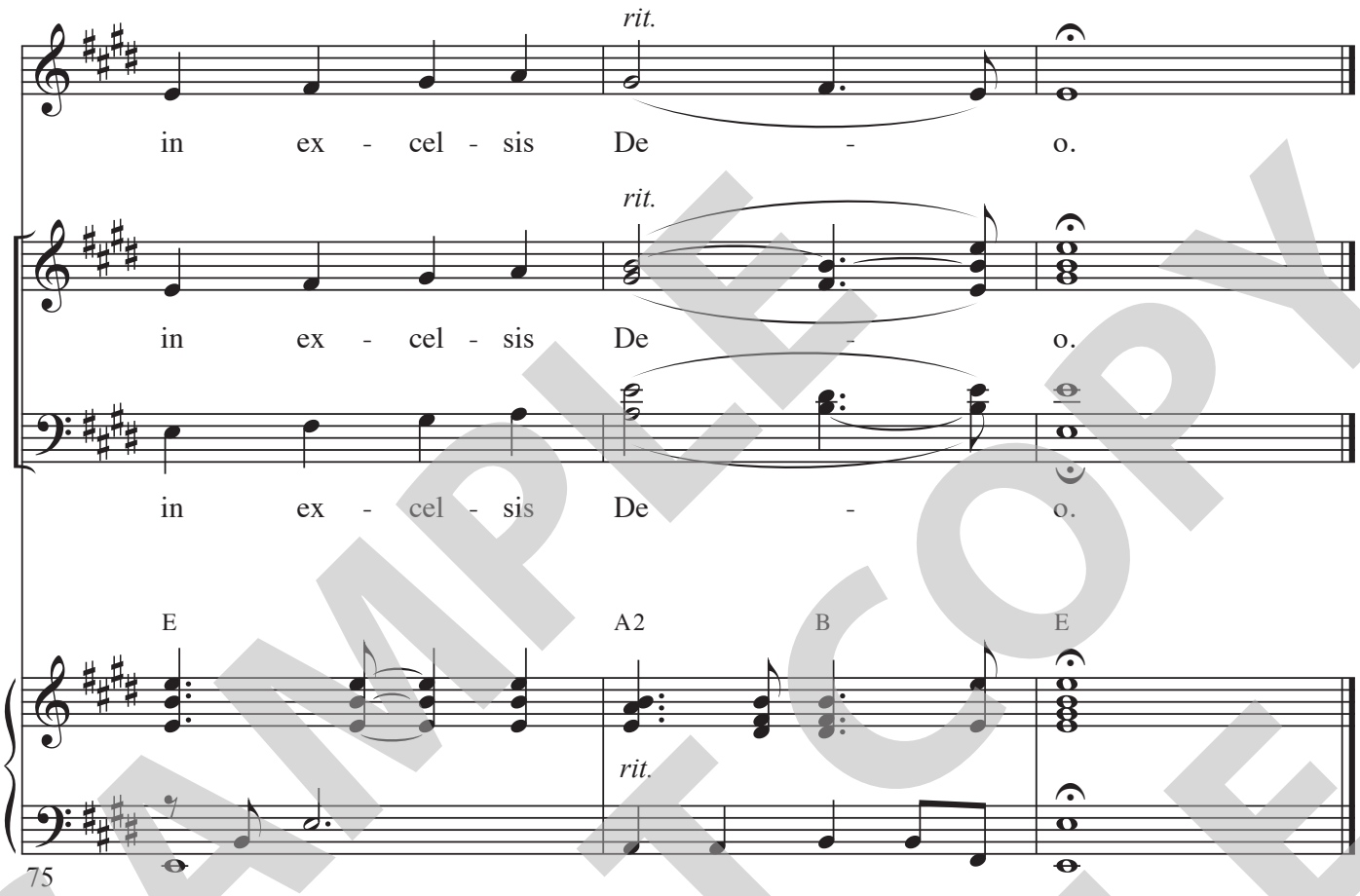

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