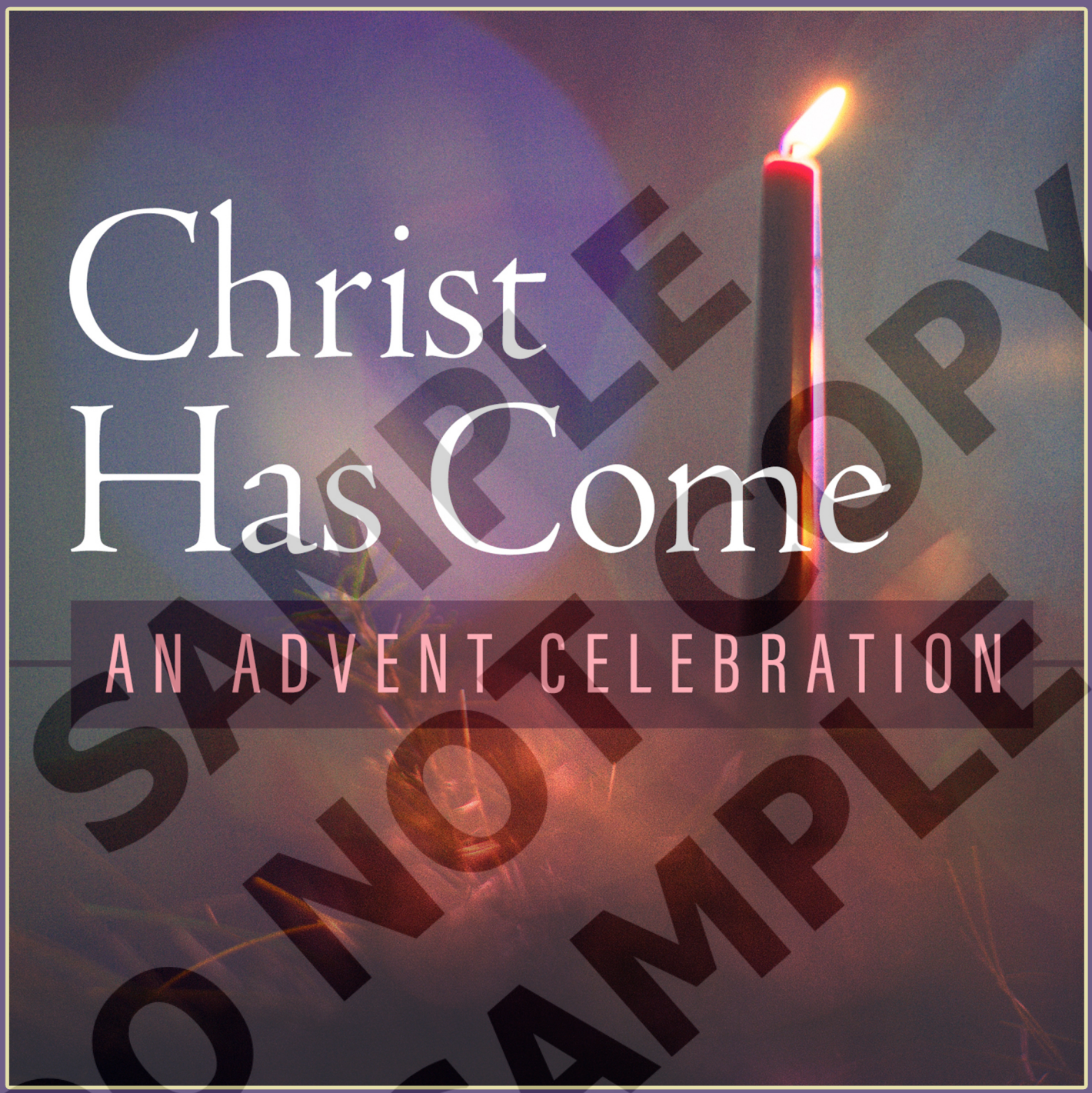

# Christ Has Come

## AN ADVENT CELEBRATION

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# Christ Has Come NARRATION

## Christ Has Come (simple)

1. Shepherd's Medley (First Noel/Hark the Herald) arr. Ed Kee DW-16-09-02 3:44
2. Manger Medley (Away in a Manger/Silent Night) arr. Russell Mauldin WT-075-06 w/video acct track 4:05
3. Wonderful Counselor arr. Camp Kirkland WT-111-07 2:42
4. Infant Lowly, Infant Lowly arr. Hal Wright WT-015-01 3:14
5. A Star Is Born arr. Russell Mauldin WT-075-10 4:58
6. O Holy Night arr. Dennis Allen [new] 2:58

Description: Simplified for fewer singers, this adaptation features very accessible 2-, 3- and 4-part arrangements of new and familiar Christmas favorites punctuated by Scripture-based narration & prayers. Reverent, yet regal, it can be presented by a small choir or vocal ensemble. 6-songs/25 minutes.

Production Suggestions: Feel free to utilize a single narrator or have the duties shared by multiple speakers. Doing the latter will give you the opportunity to involve more people in your presentation. The prayers may either be read or you can invite the congregation to read them aloud as part of the program.

The entire presentation is about 25 minutes in length, so your pastor may prefer to use this as the musical segment of a Christmas Eve or Christmas Sunday Service and offer a separate Advent message during the remainder of the service time.

In every case, we pray that these songs and performance resources allow you and your team to bring glory to Christ, our Lord and Savior!

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*Perform...* **SHEPHERDS MEDLEY**

# Shepherds Medley

## includes The First Noel and Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

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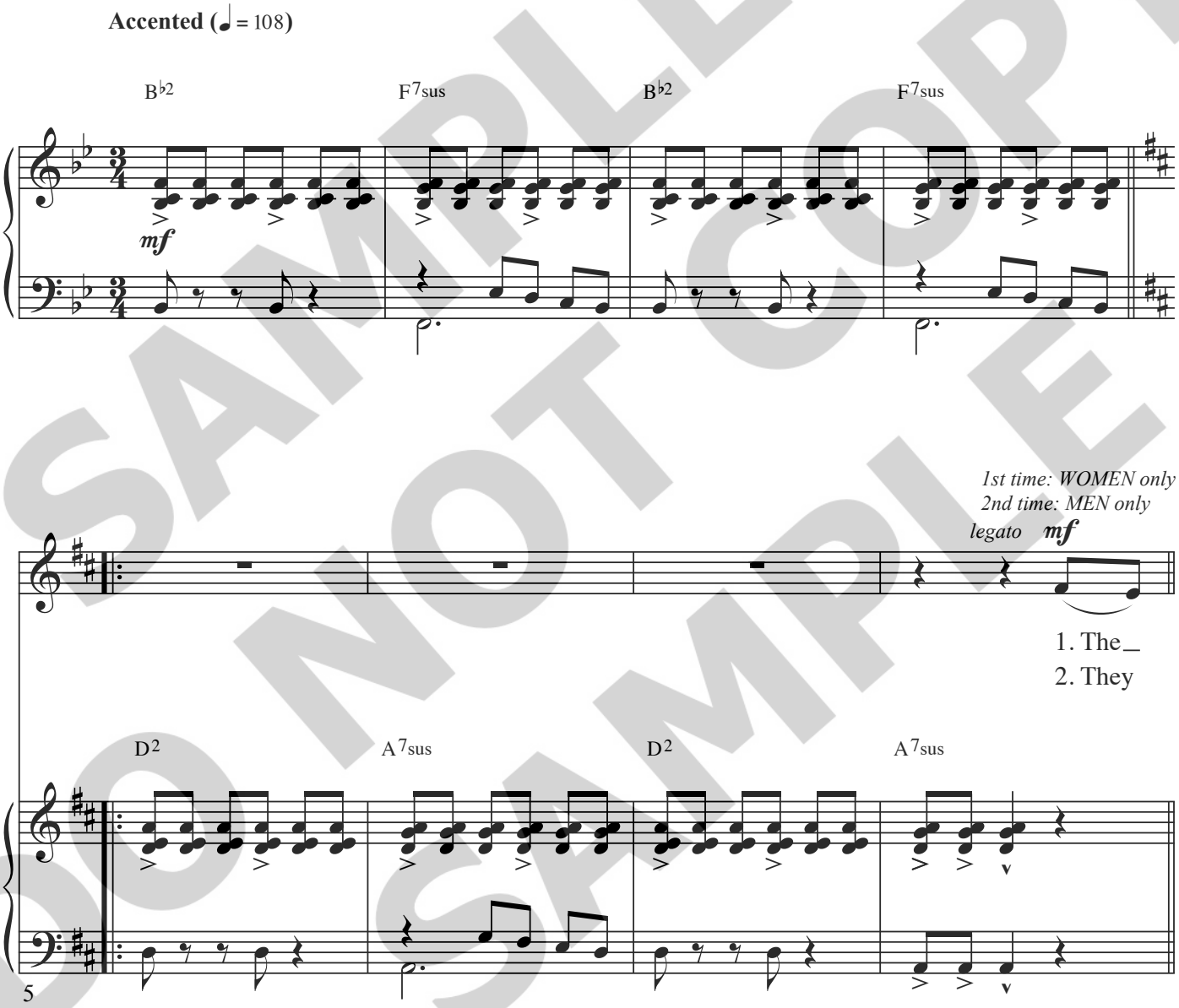


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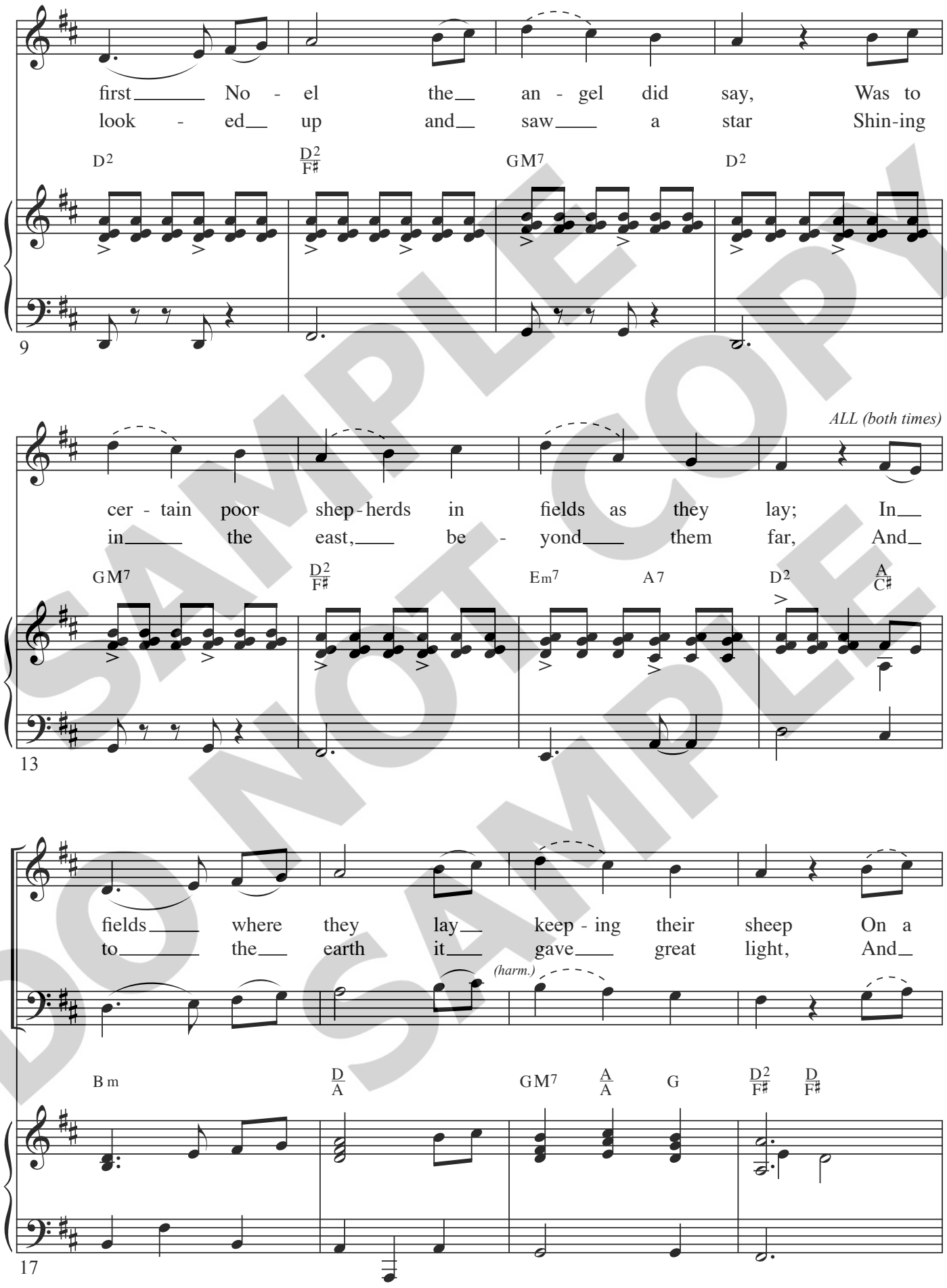


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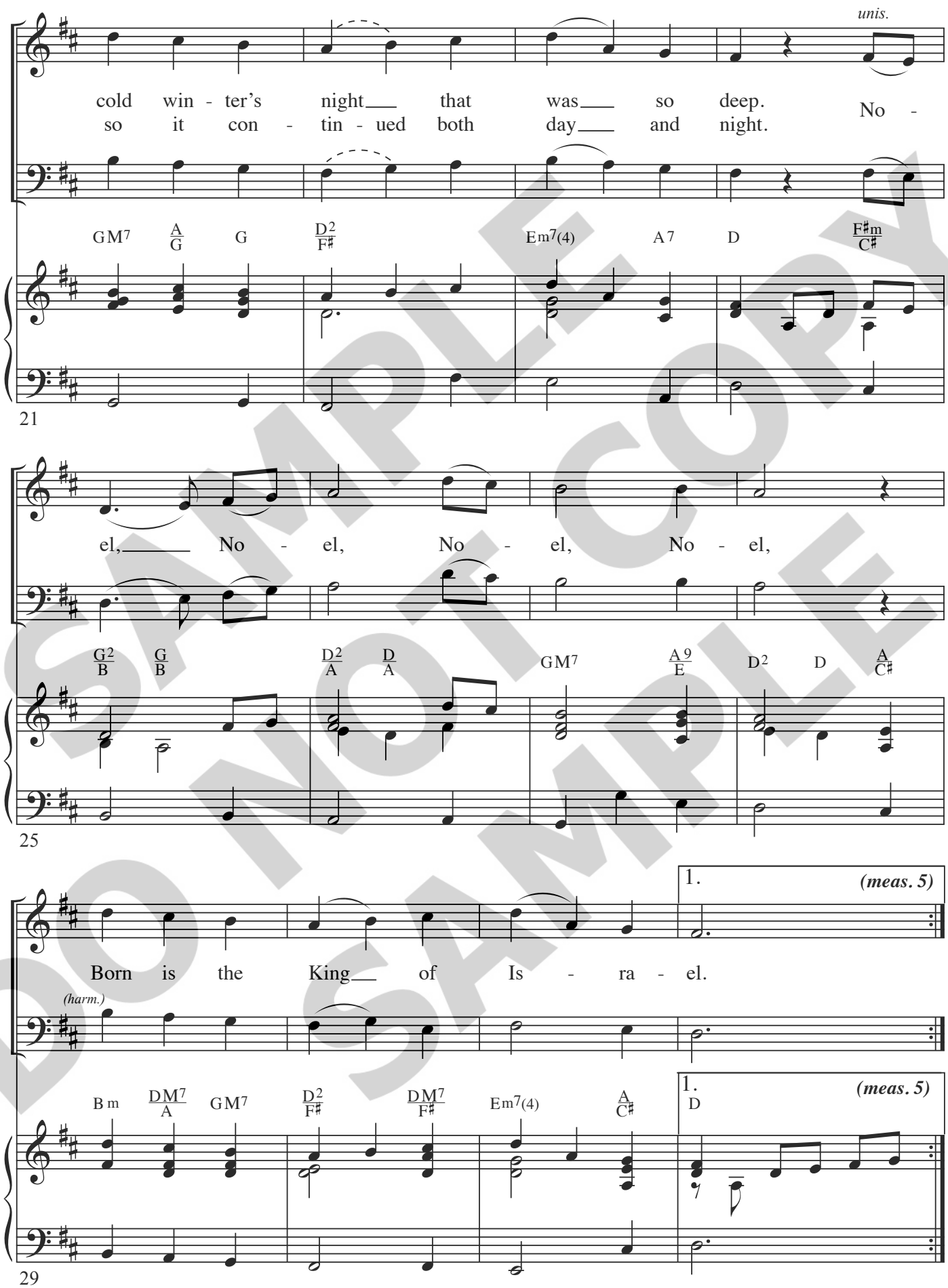


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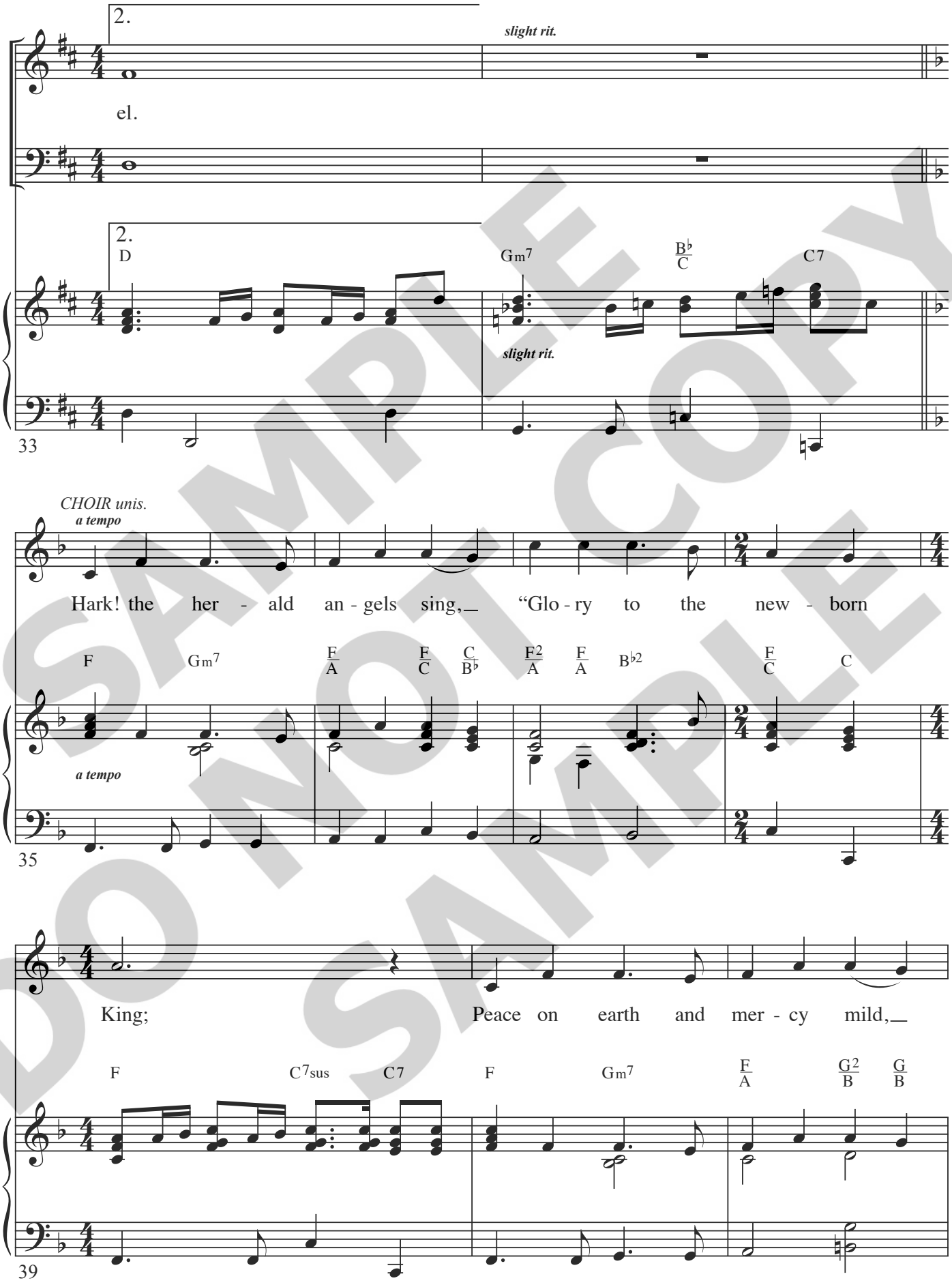


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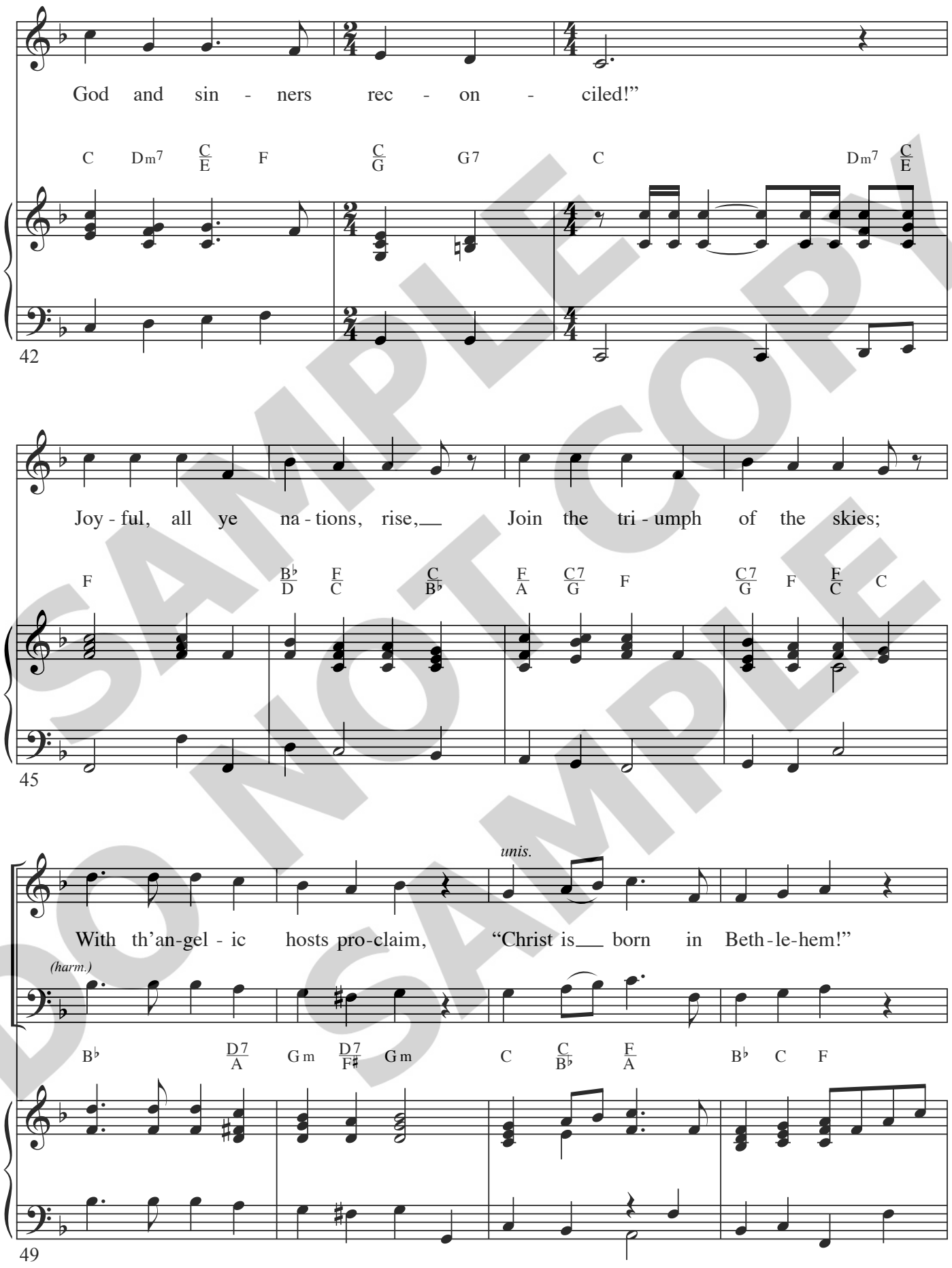


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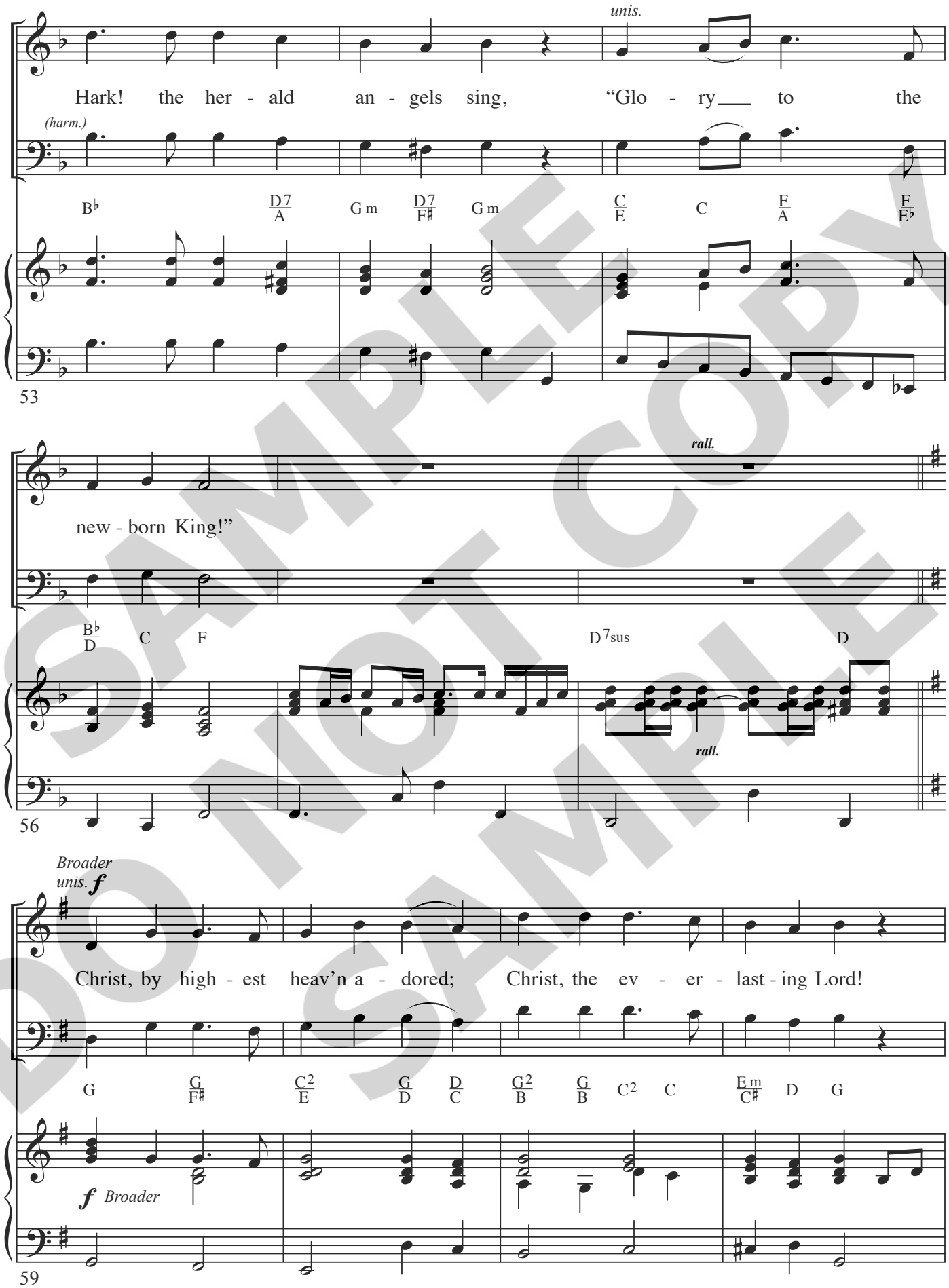


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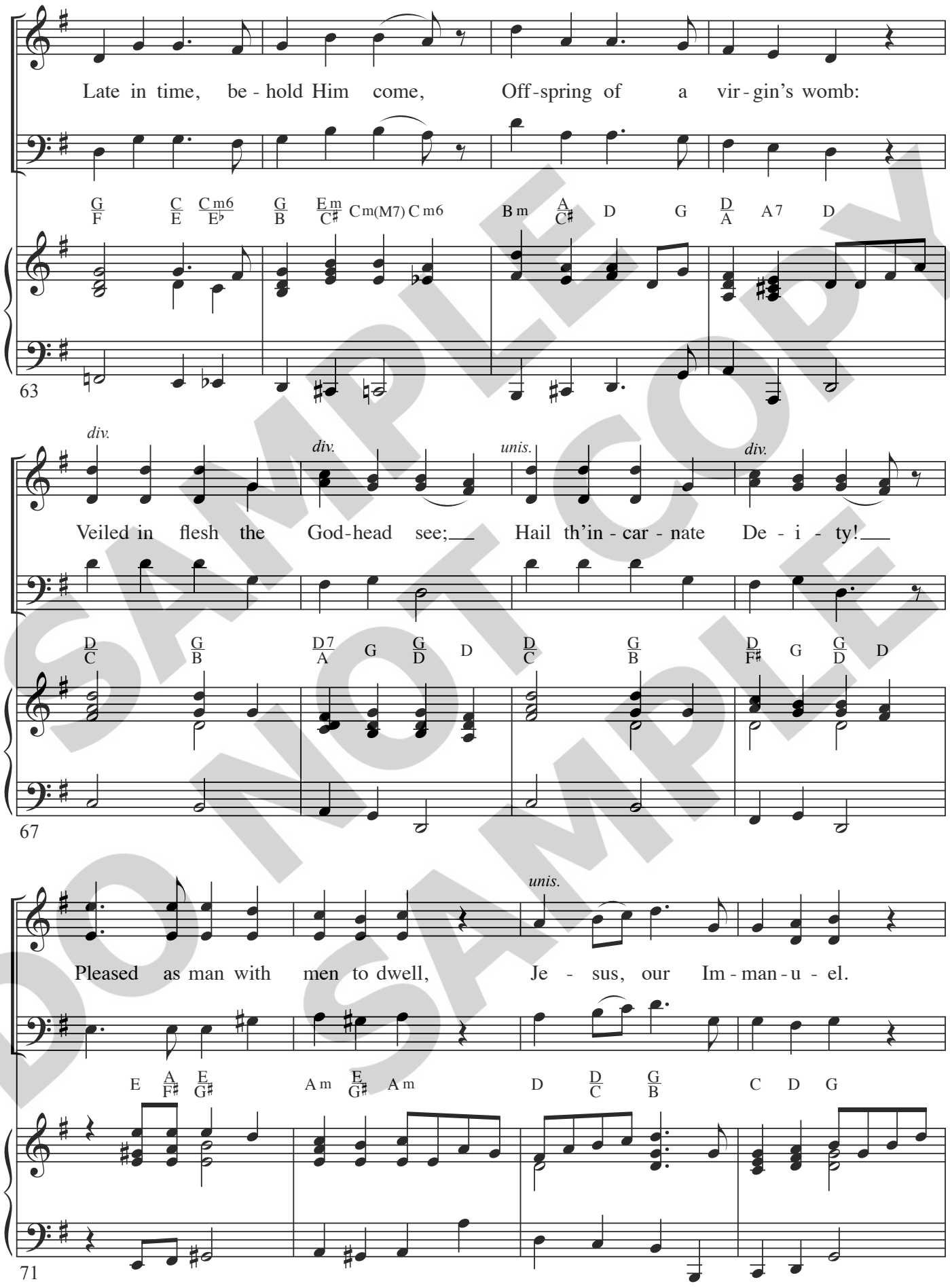


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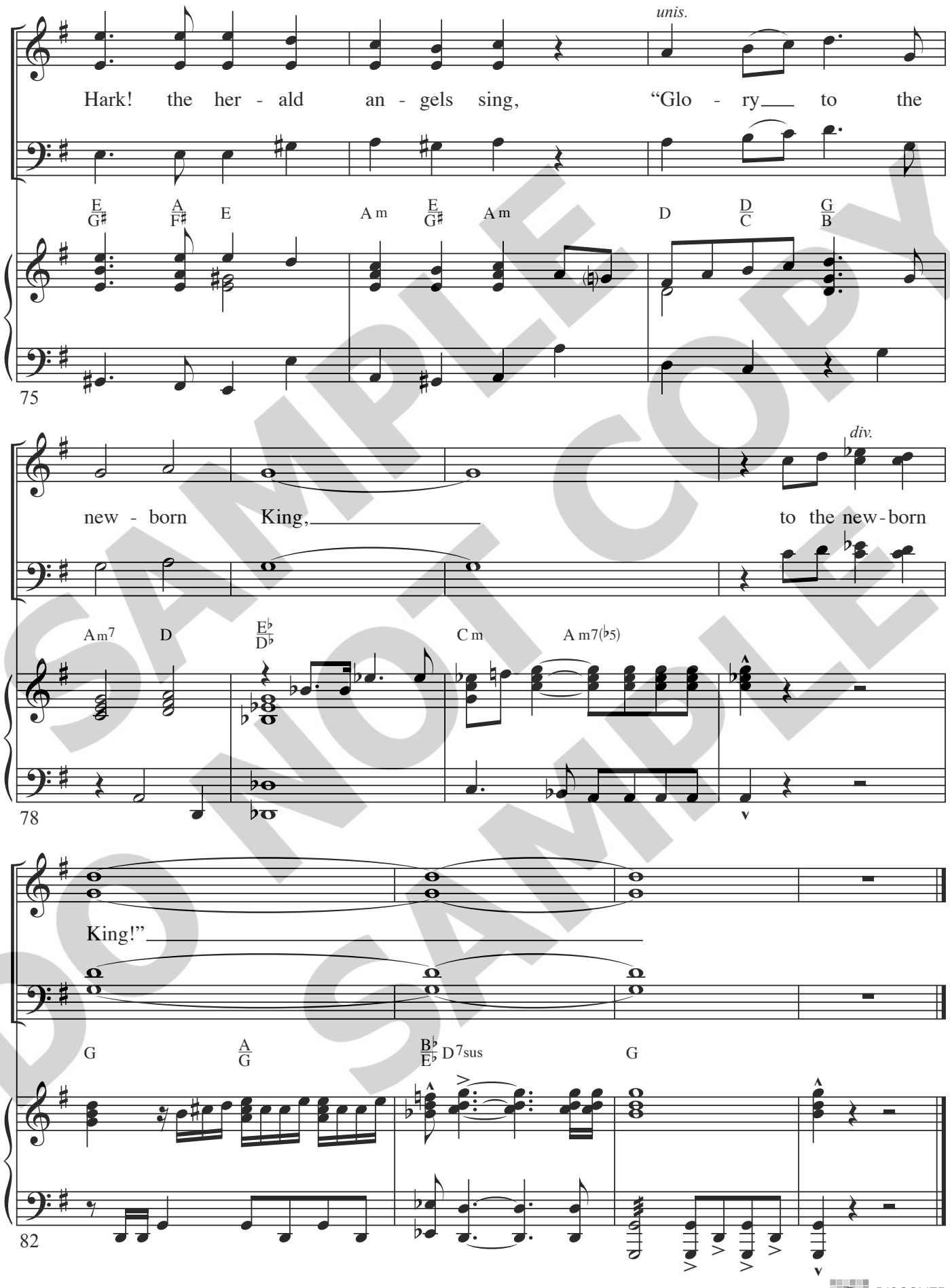


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### » NARRATION

Prophets foretell his coming
Angels proclaim his arrival
Shepherds come in wonder
Wise men bow in worship
For unto us, this day, in the City of David
Is born a Savior, Christ the Lord
You shall find the babe
Wrapped in swaddling clothes
Lying in a manger

*Perform...* **MANGER MEDLEY**

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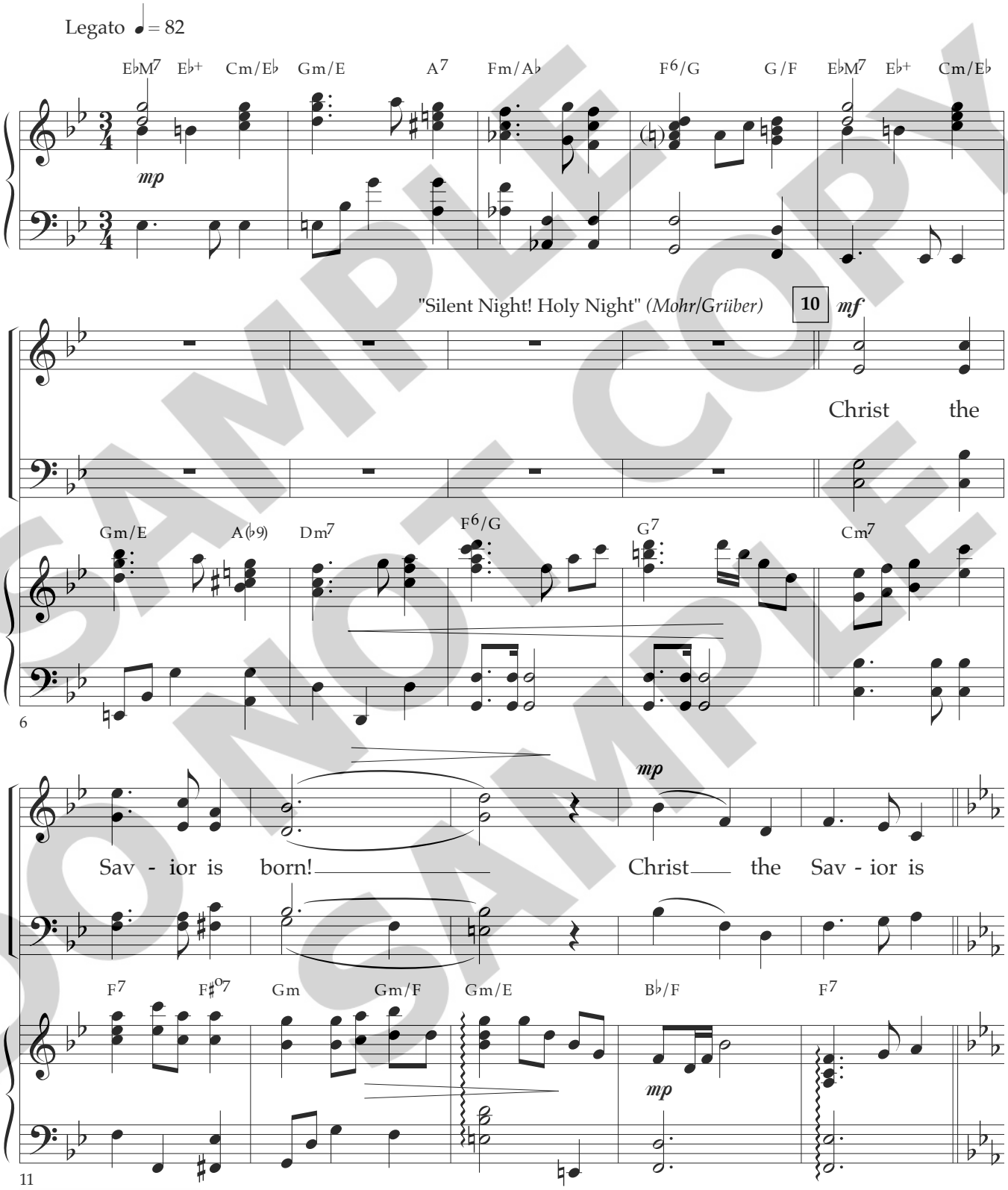
# Manger Medley

From the Worship Today® volume:
**Jesus Is Emmanuel**

*Arranged by*
**RUSSELL MAULDIN**





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"Away in a Manger"
*(McFarland,stanza 3/Murray)*

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A♭add9/B♭ B♭7 E♭2 E♭2

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E♭+ A♭M7 Gm7 Fm7 E♭2 B♭/C Cm7 Fm11

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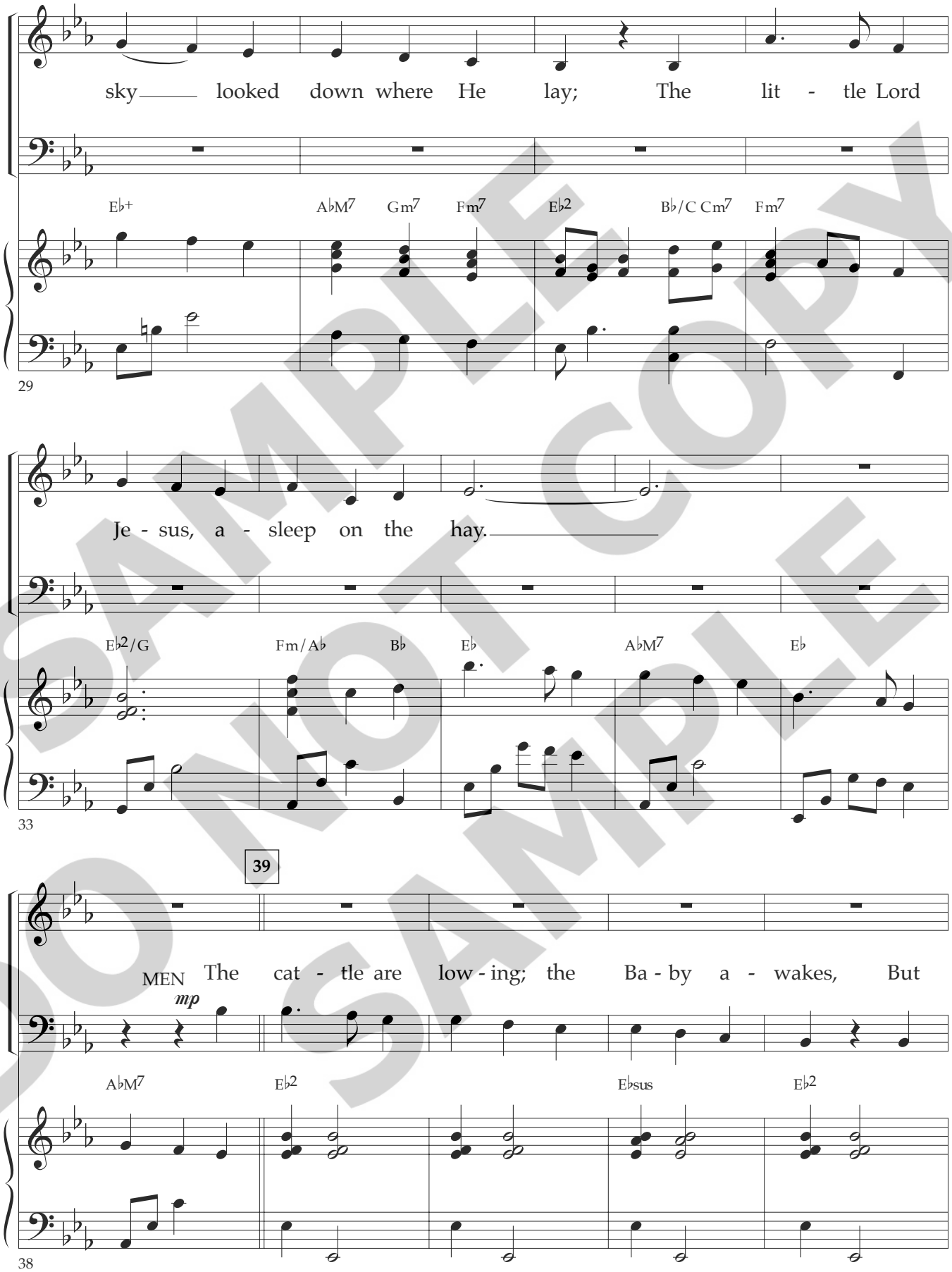


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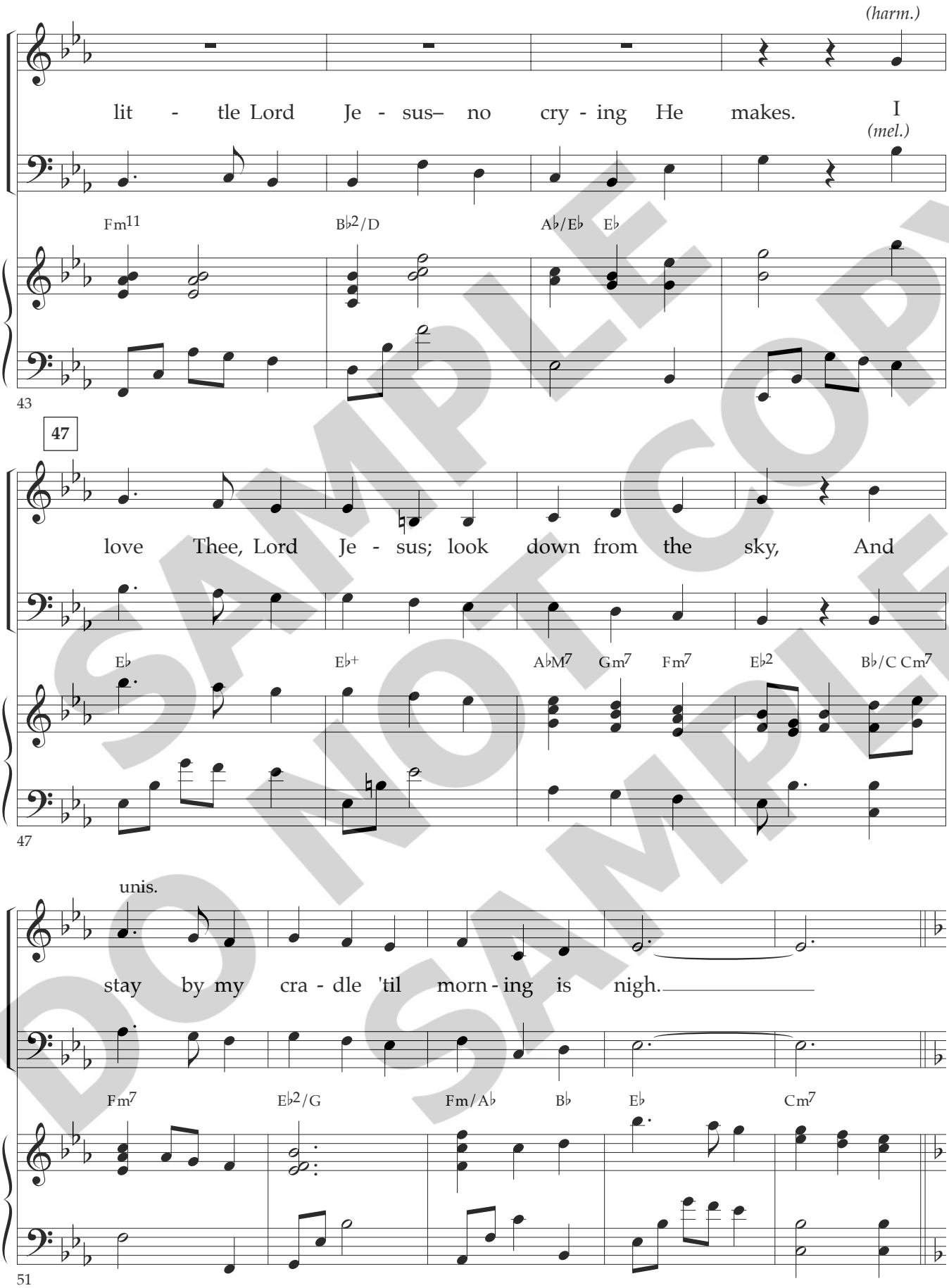


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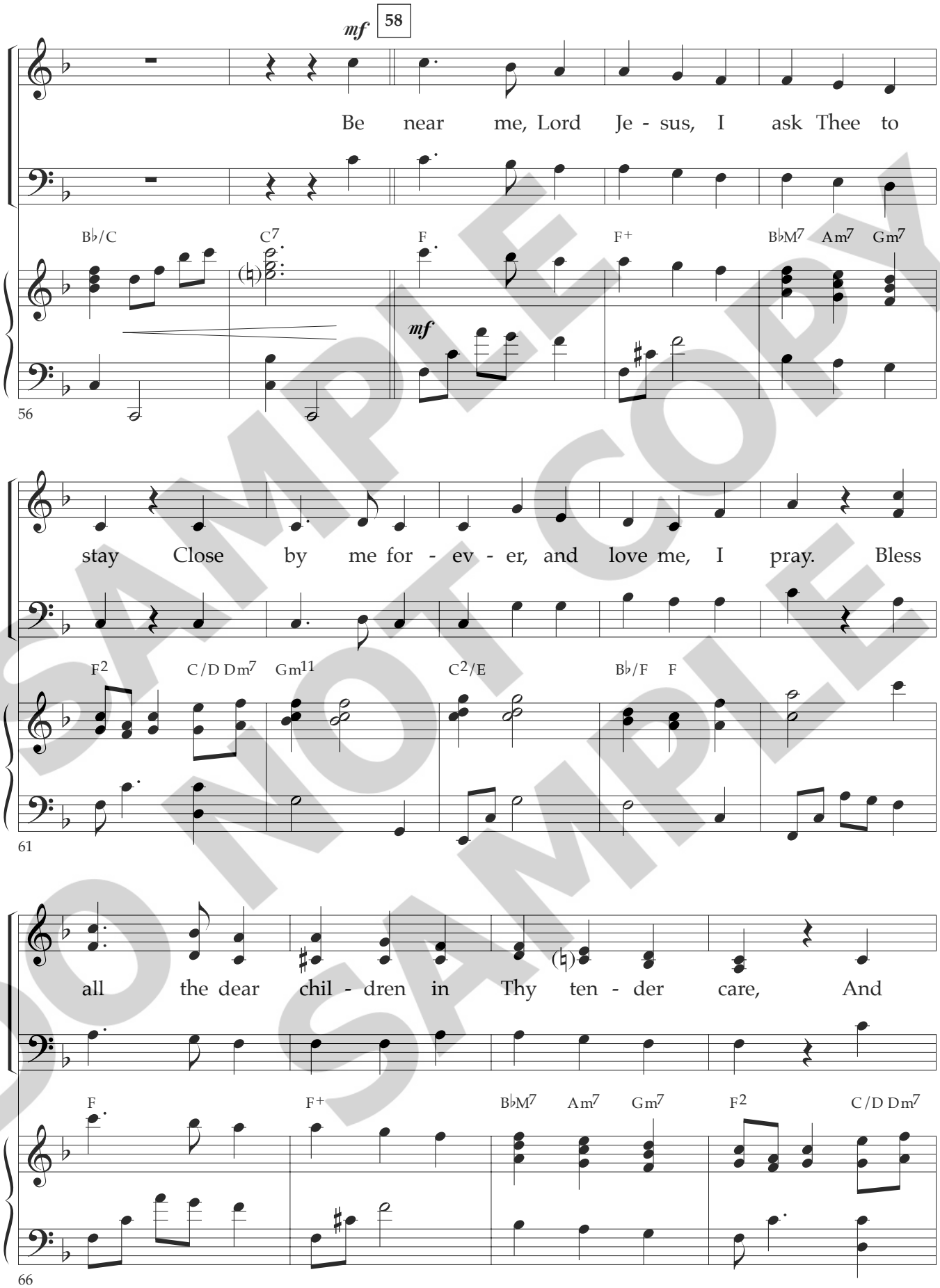


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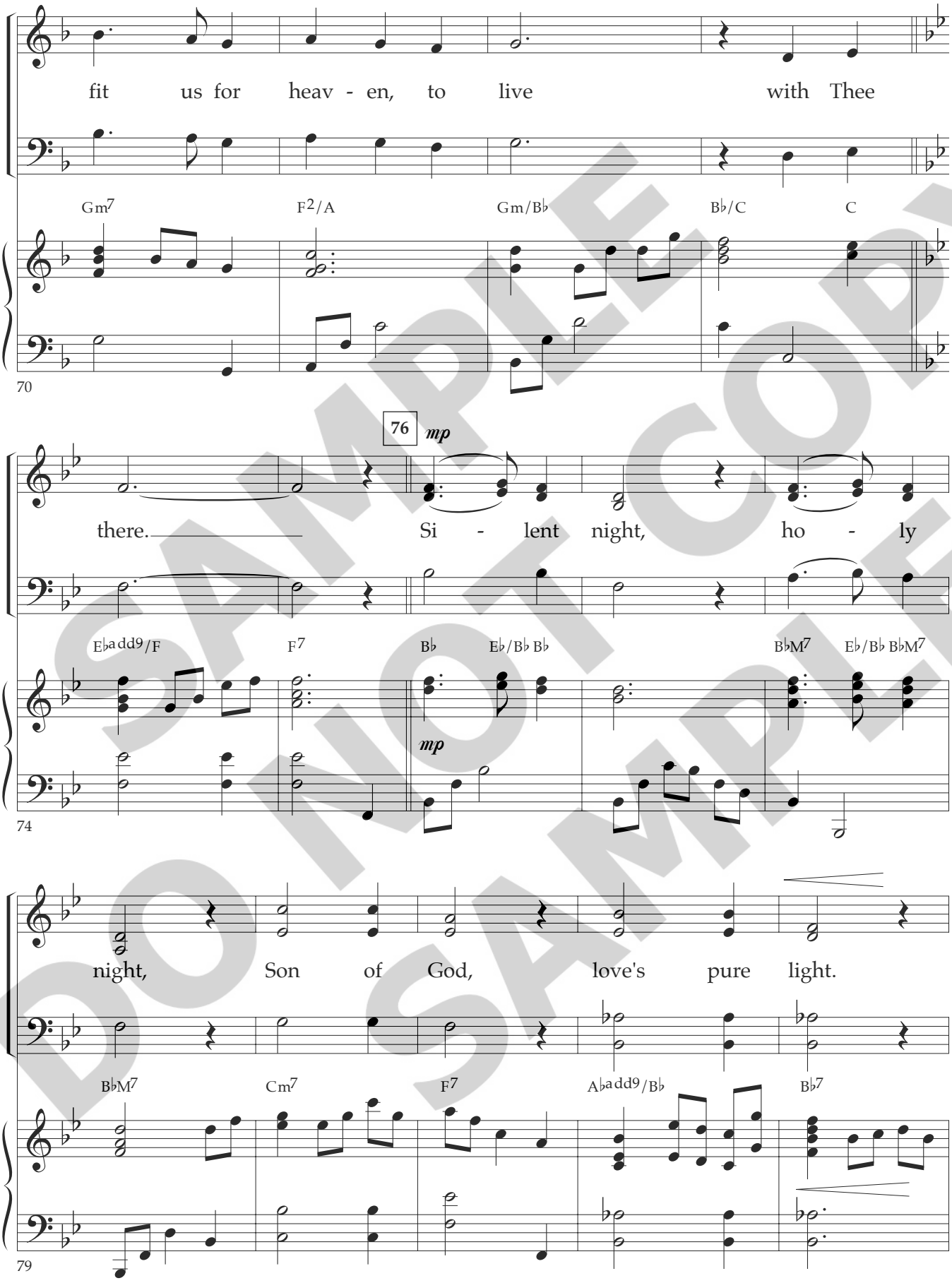


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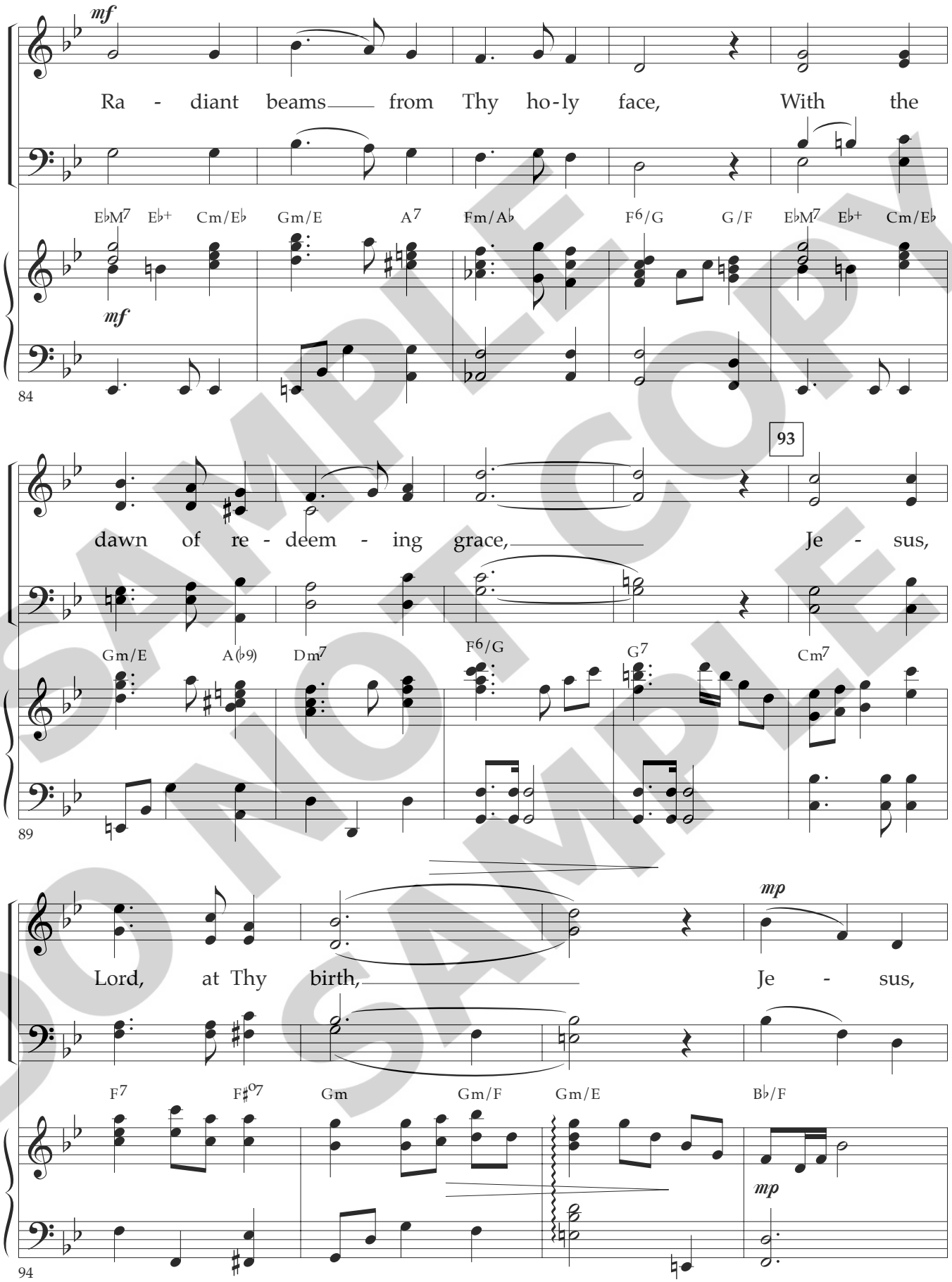


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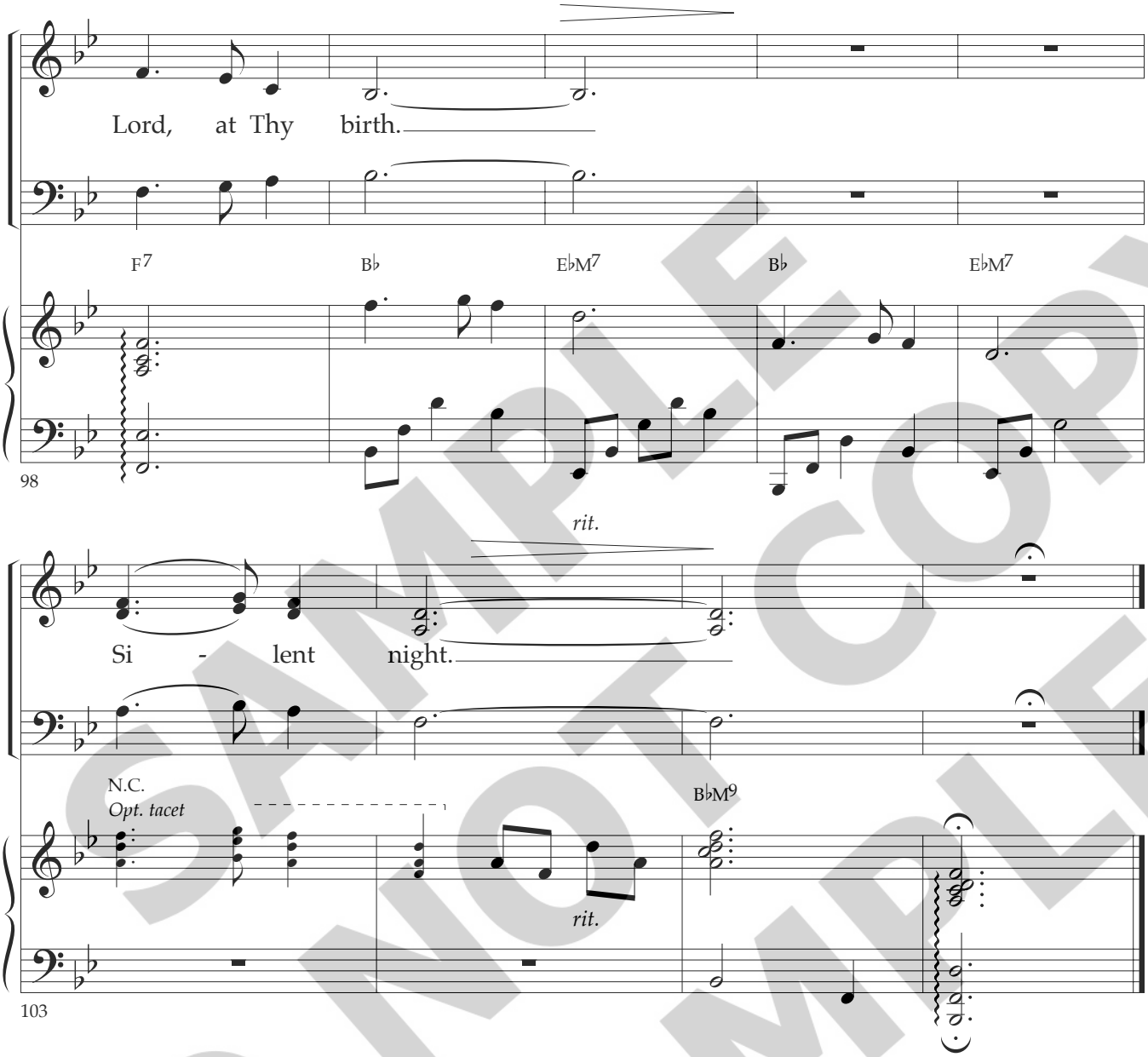


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### » NARRATION

The Lord of Heaven himself will provide this miraculous sign:
A virgin will give birth to a son and call him, Immanuel, which means *God With Us*. (Is. 7:14)

Yes, this child has been born to us
But more than that: God's own Son has been *given to us!*

He will govern the kingdoms of this world
His subjects will call him Wonderful Counselor,
Mighty God,
Everlasting Father,
Prince of Peace.

His reign will be endless!
His peace cannot be broken!
His justice and righteousness will flow from David's throne
From that time on and forevermore
For the Lord himself will make it so! (Is.9:6-7)

*Perform...* **WONDERFUL COUNSELOR**

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# Wonderful Counselor

From the Worship Today® volume:
**Sing We Now of Christmas**

(w/ optional Brass)

Words and Music by
**LOWELL ALEXANDER**
*Arranged by*
**CAMP KIRKLAND**

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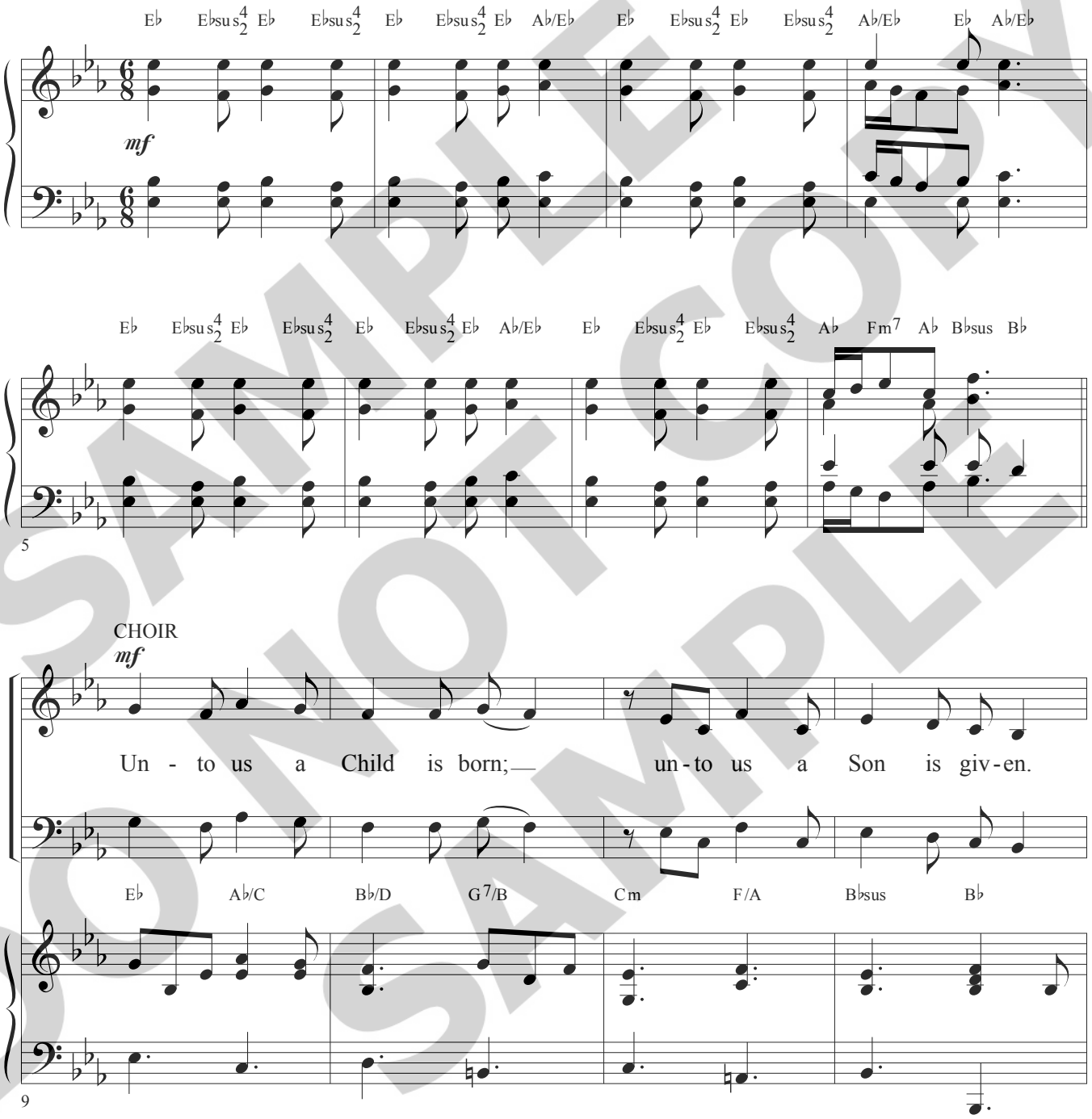


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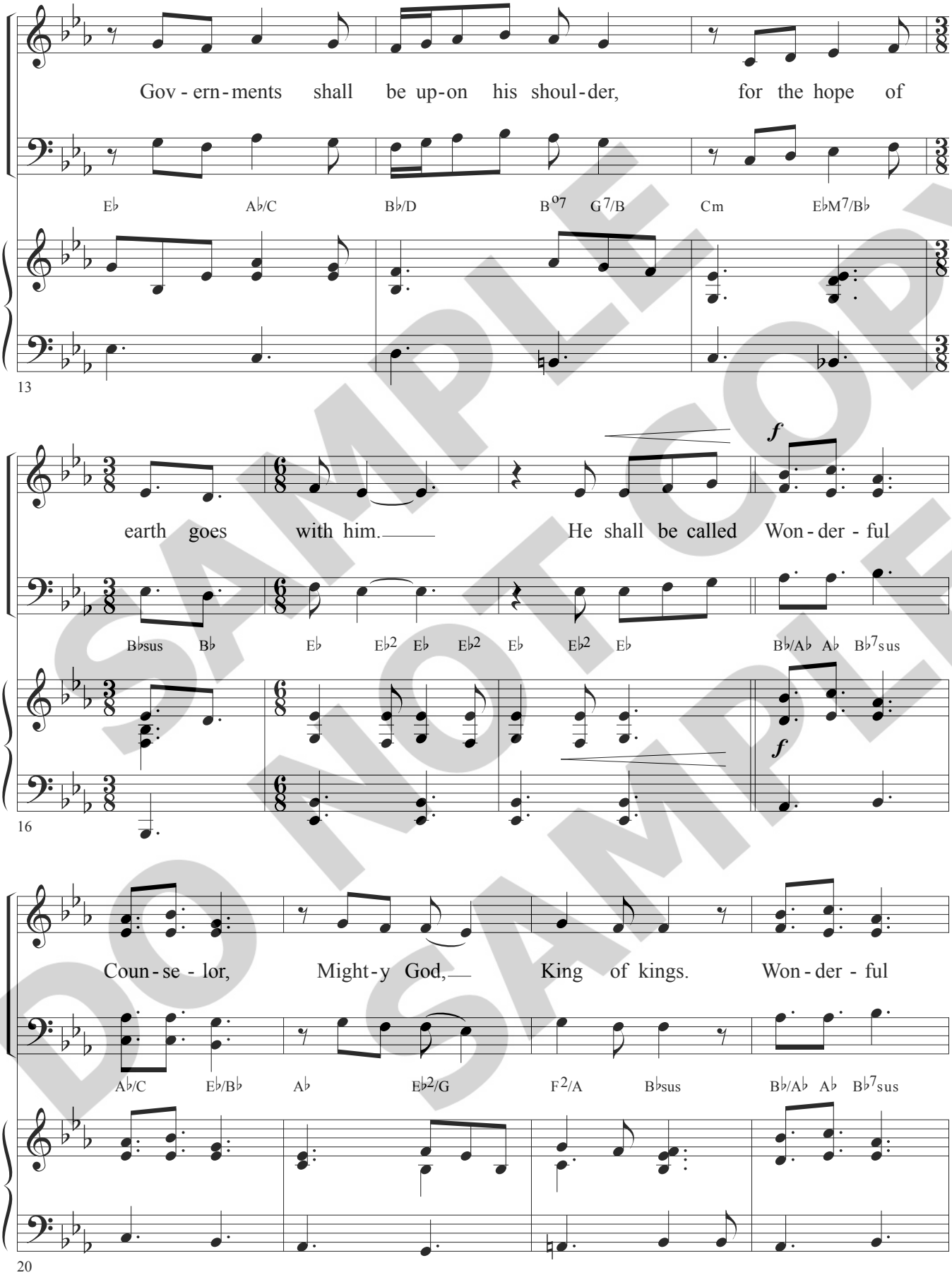


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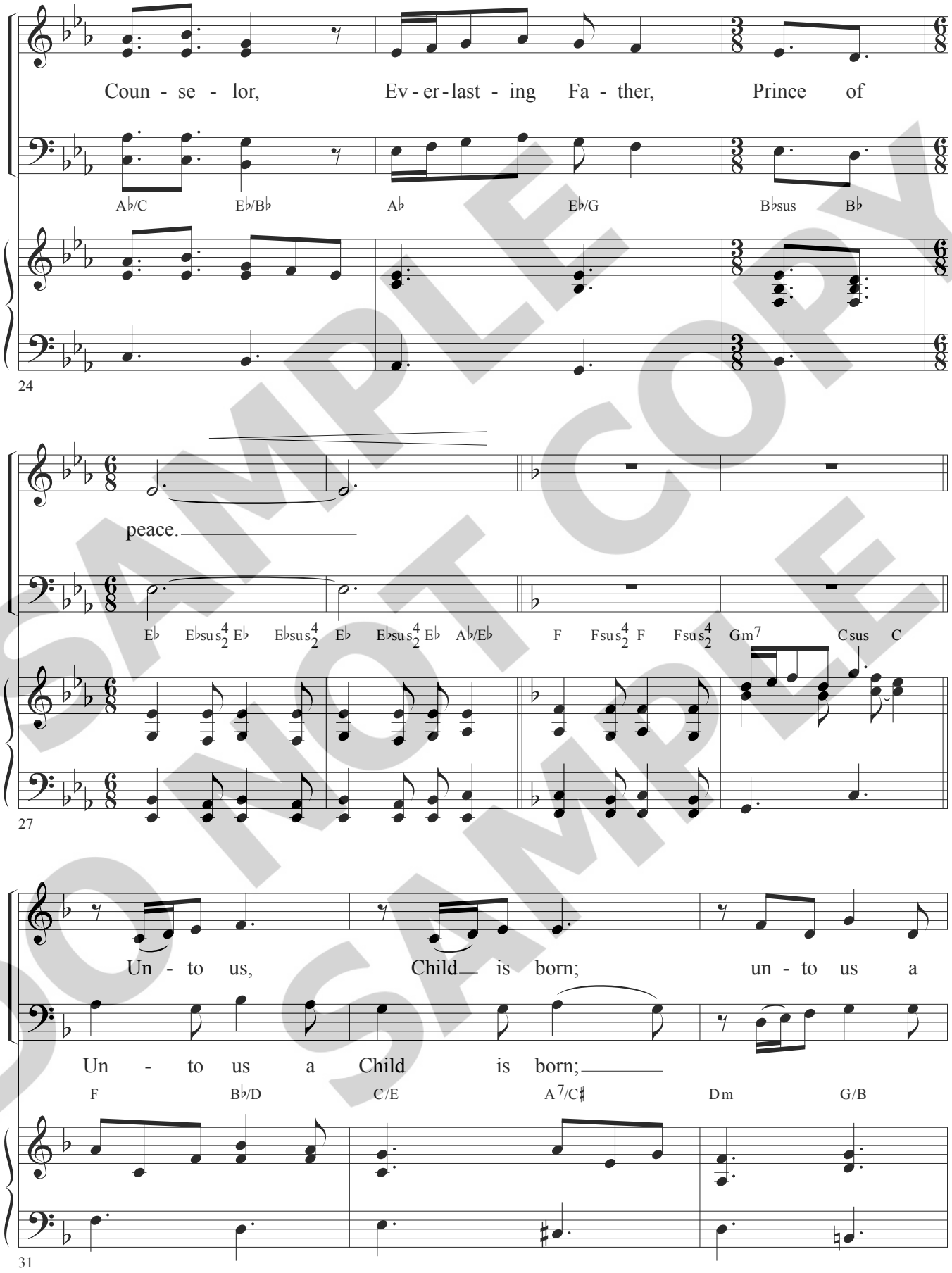


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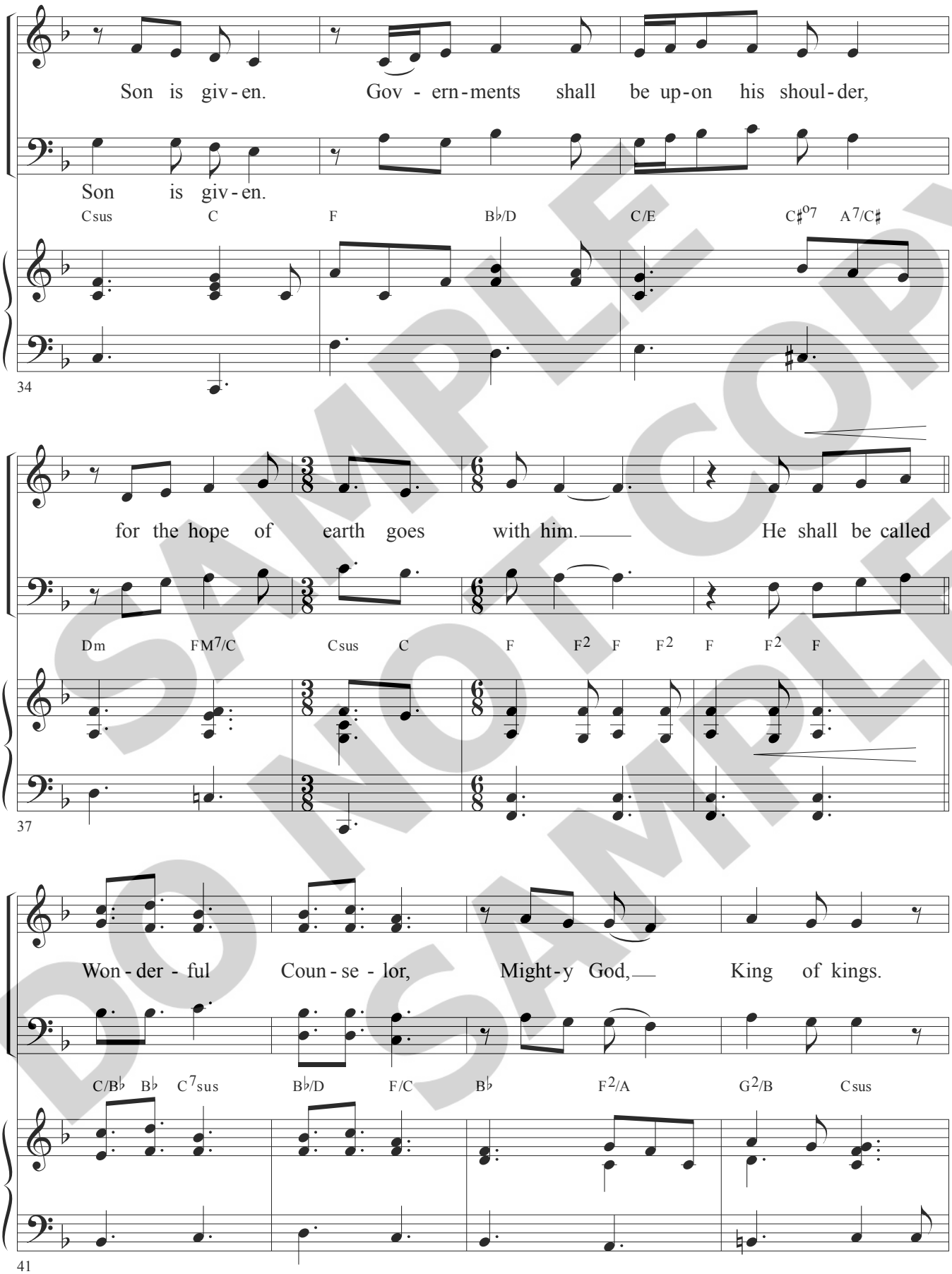


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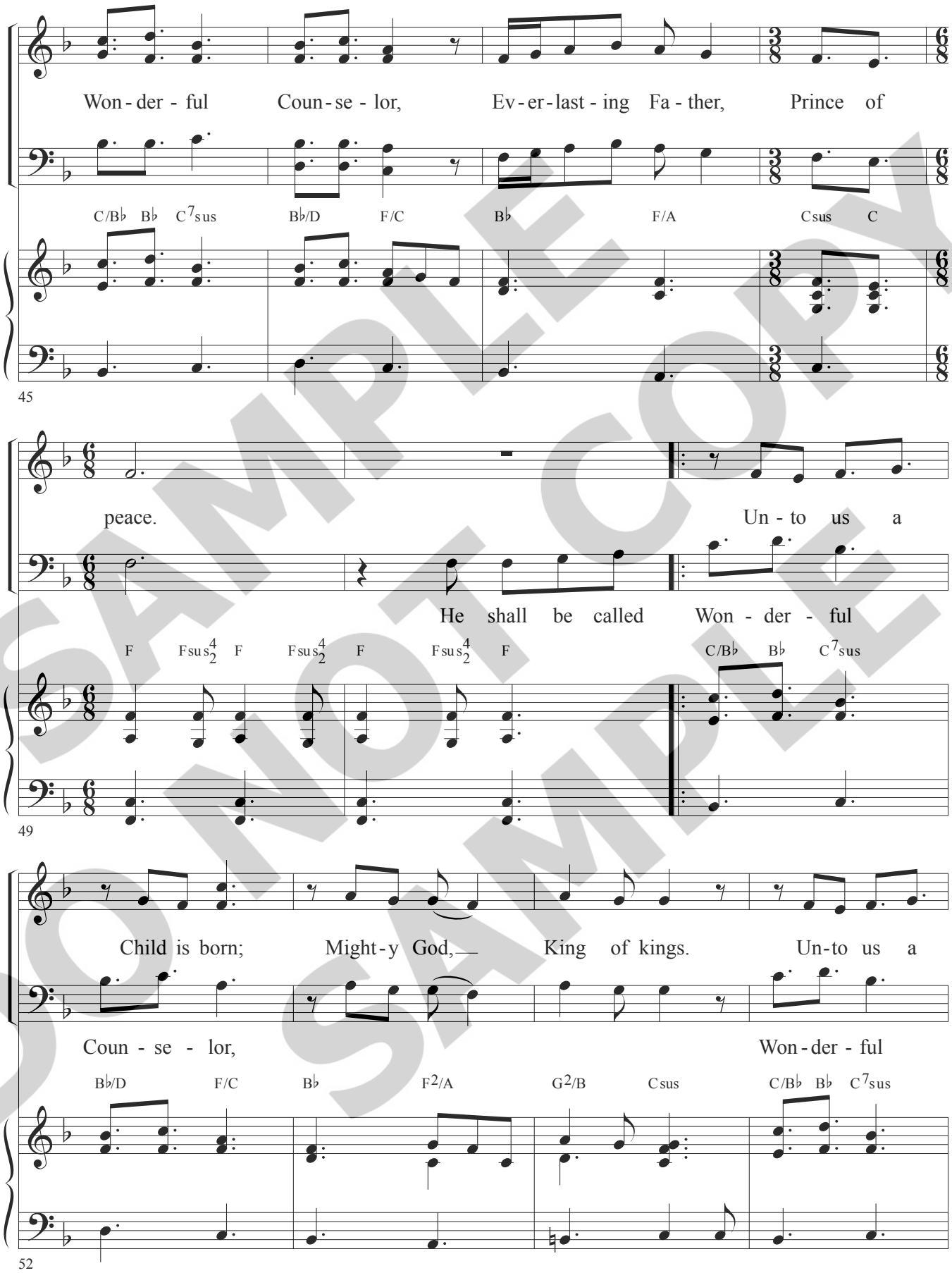


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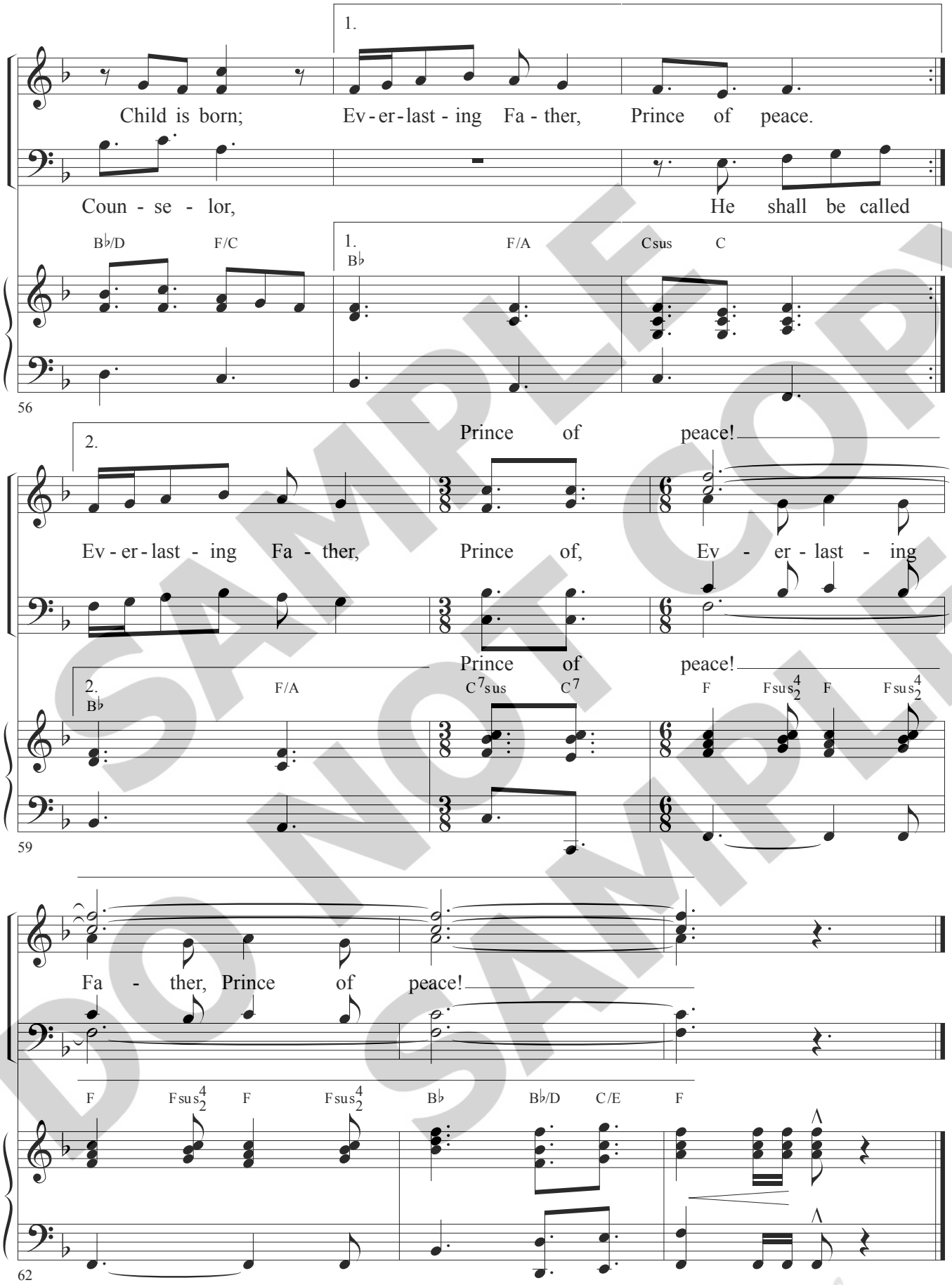


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### » PRAYER

Blessed Savior, Son of God
Though everything was created through you,
On this night, you pour yourself into your creation.

You incarnate yourself—
Taking on flesh and blood
Becoming not just a man
Not just a child
But a baby...
Born to a poor young mother and her fiancé
Miles from home
At the mercy of strangers
Under the very stars your hands have made.

*Perform...* **INFANT HOLY, INFANT LOWLY**

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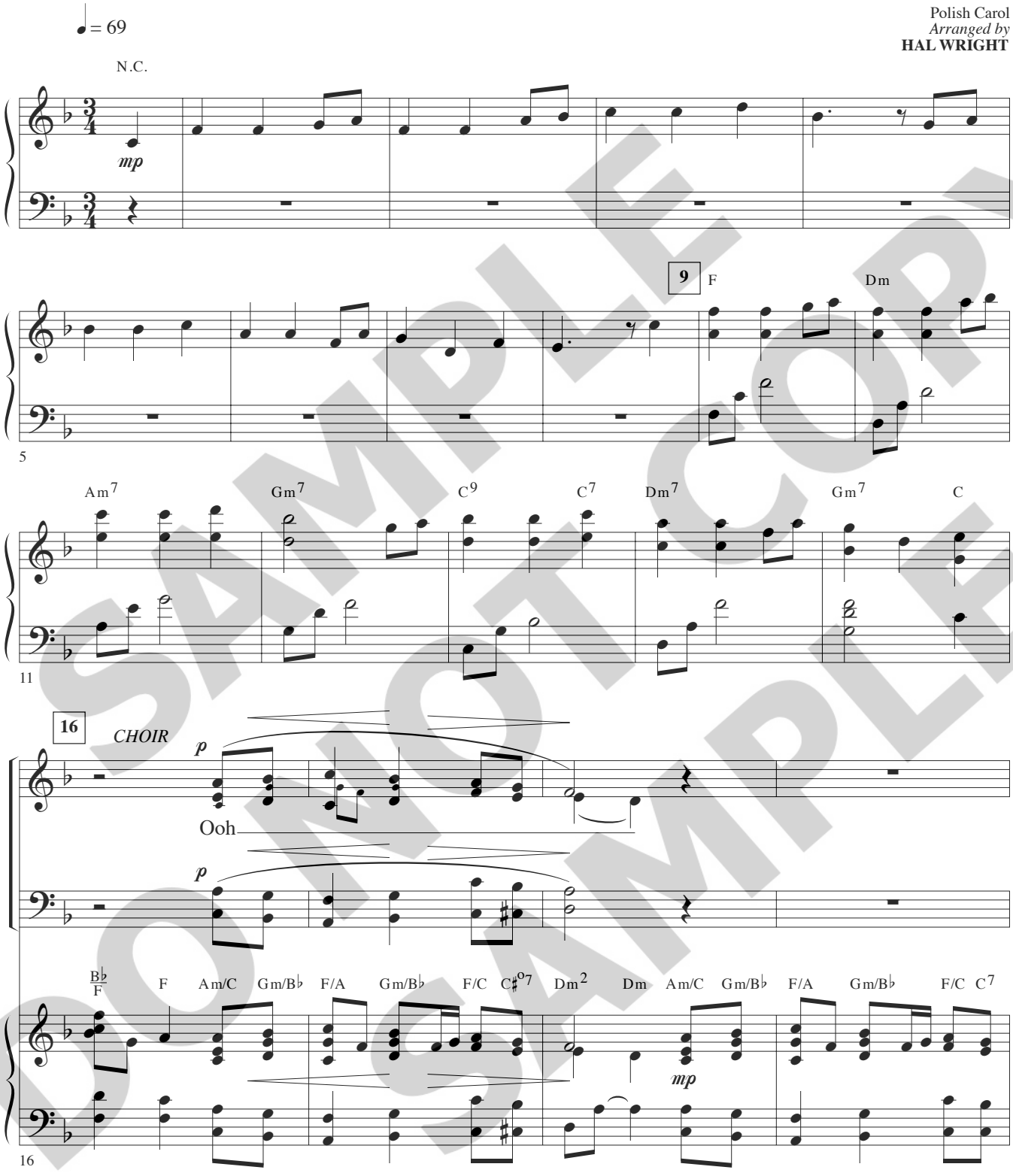
# Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

Polish Carol
*Arranged by*
**HAL WRIGHT**

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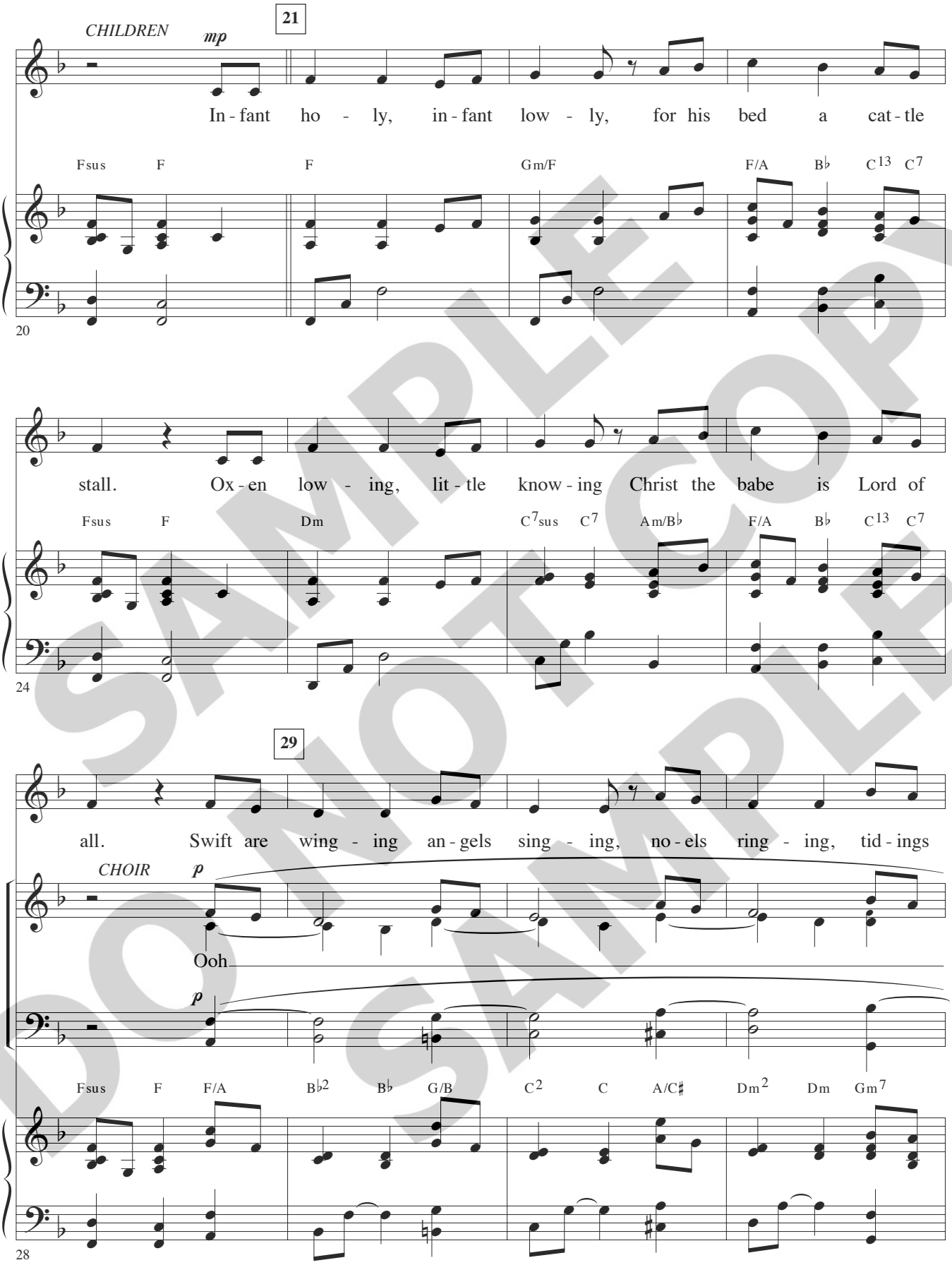


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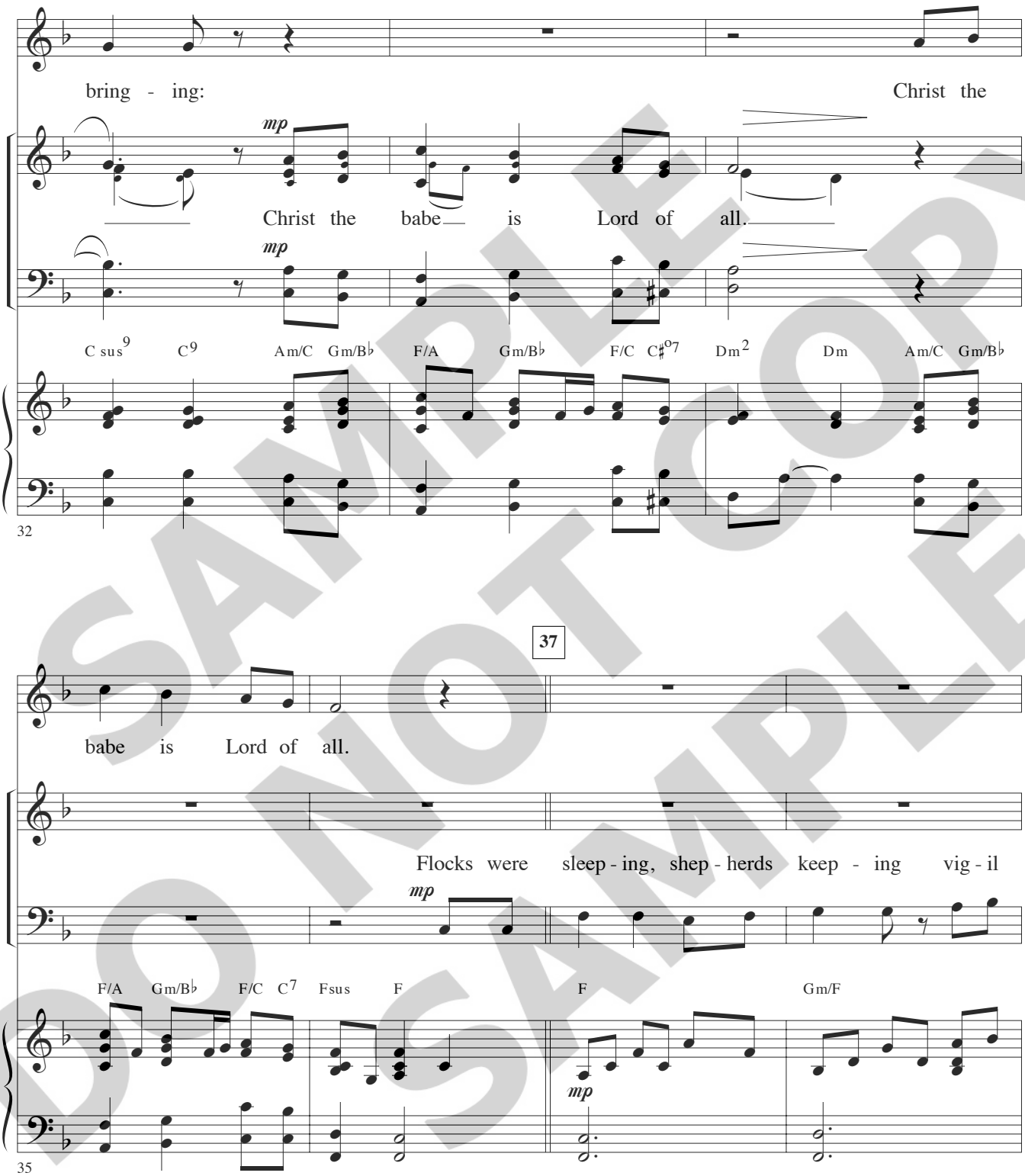


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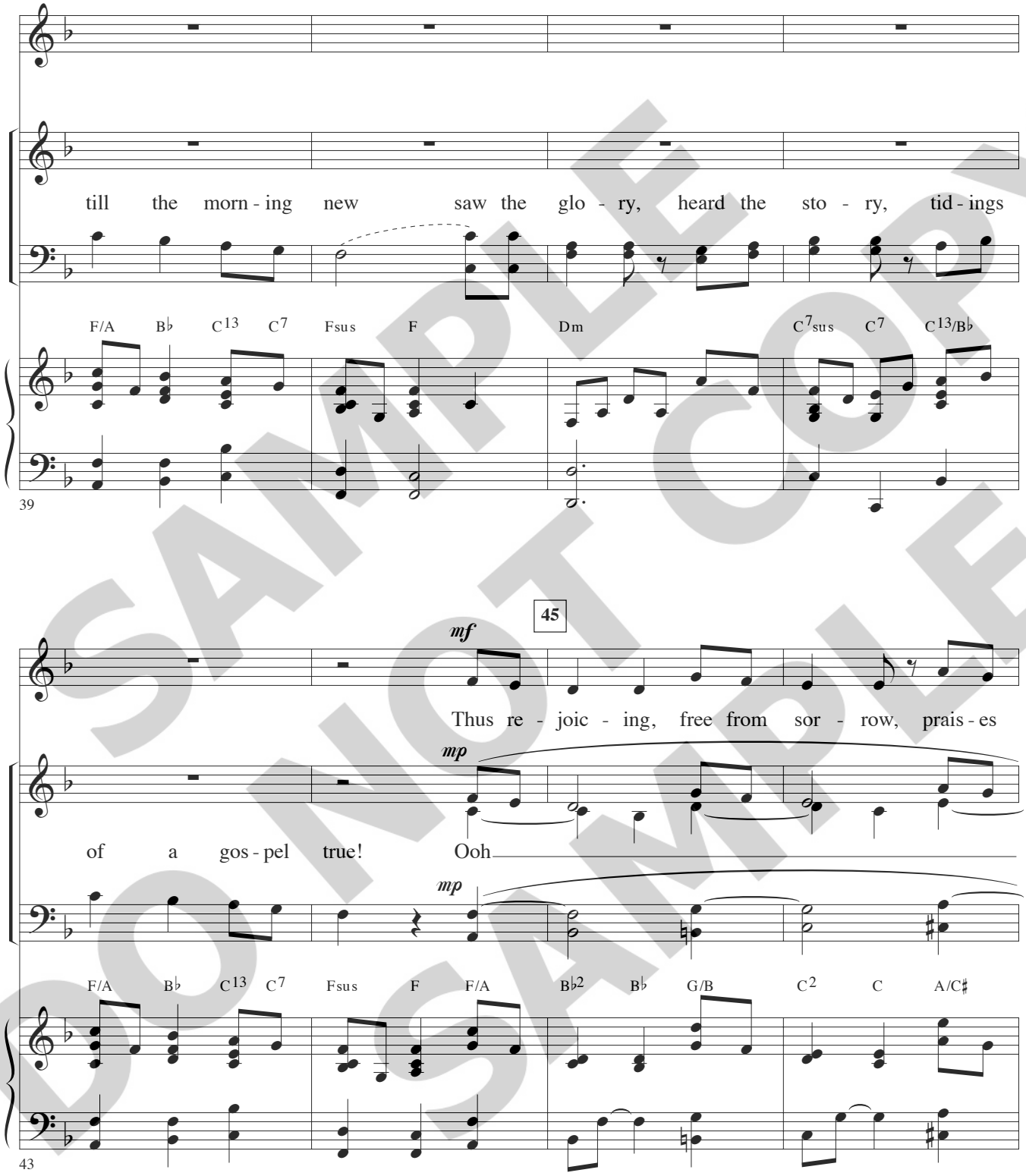


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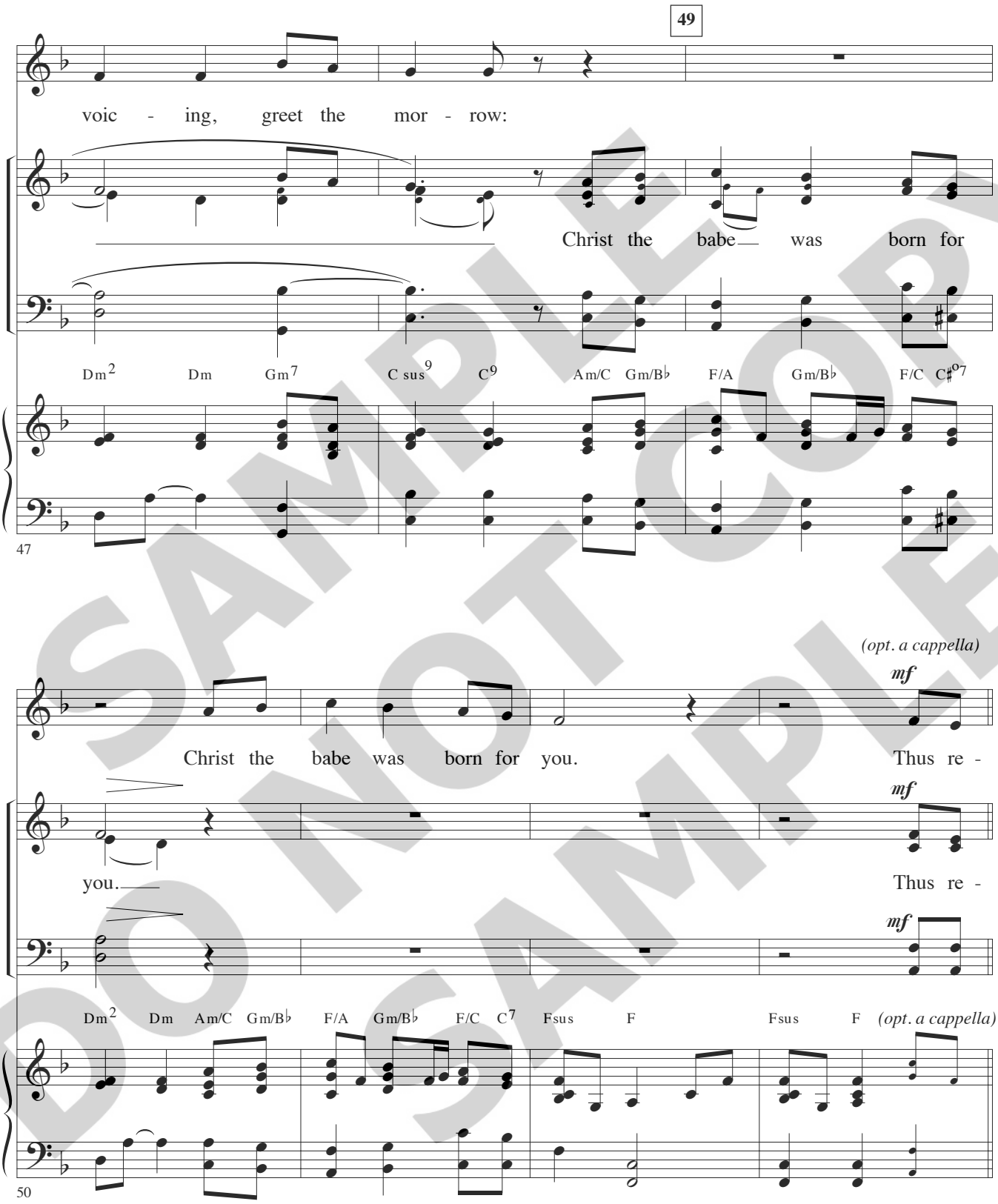


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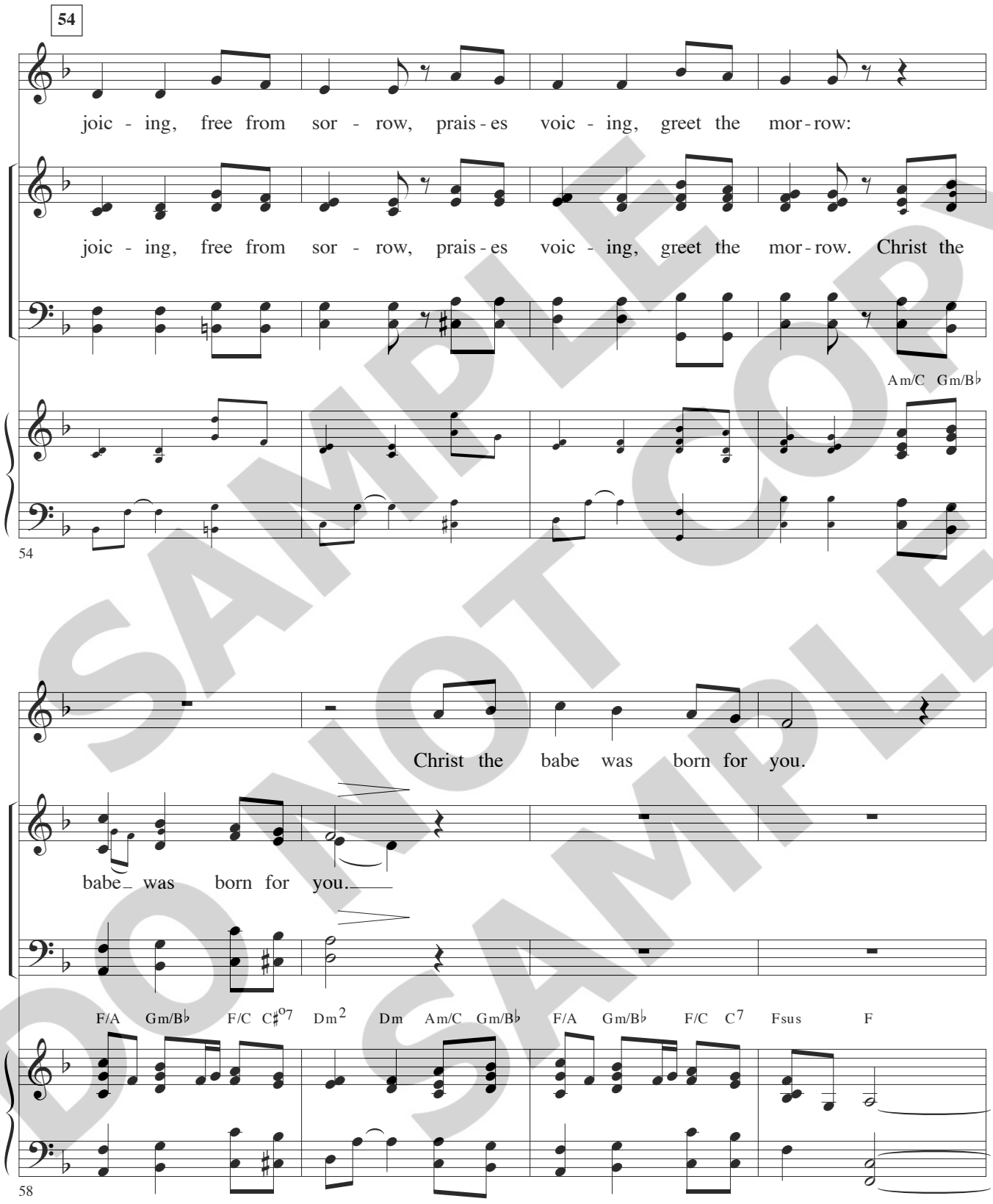


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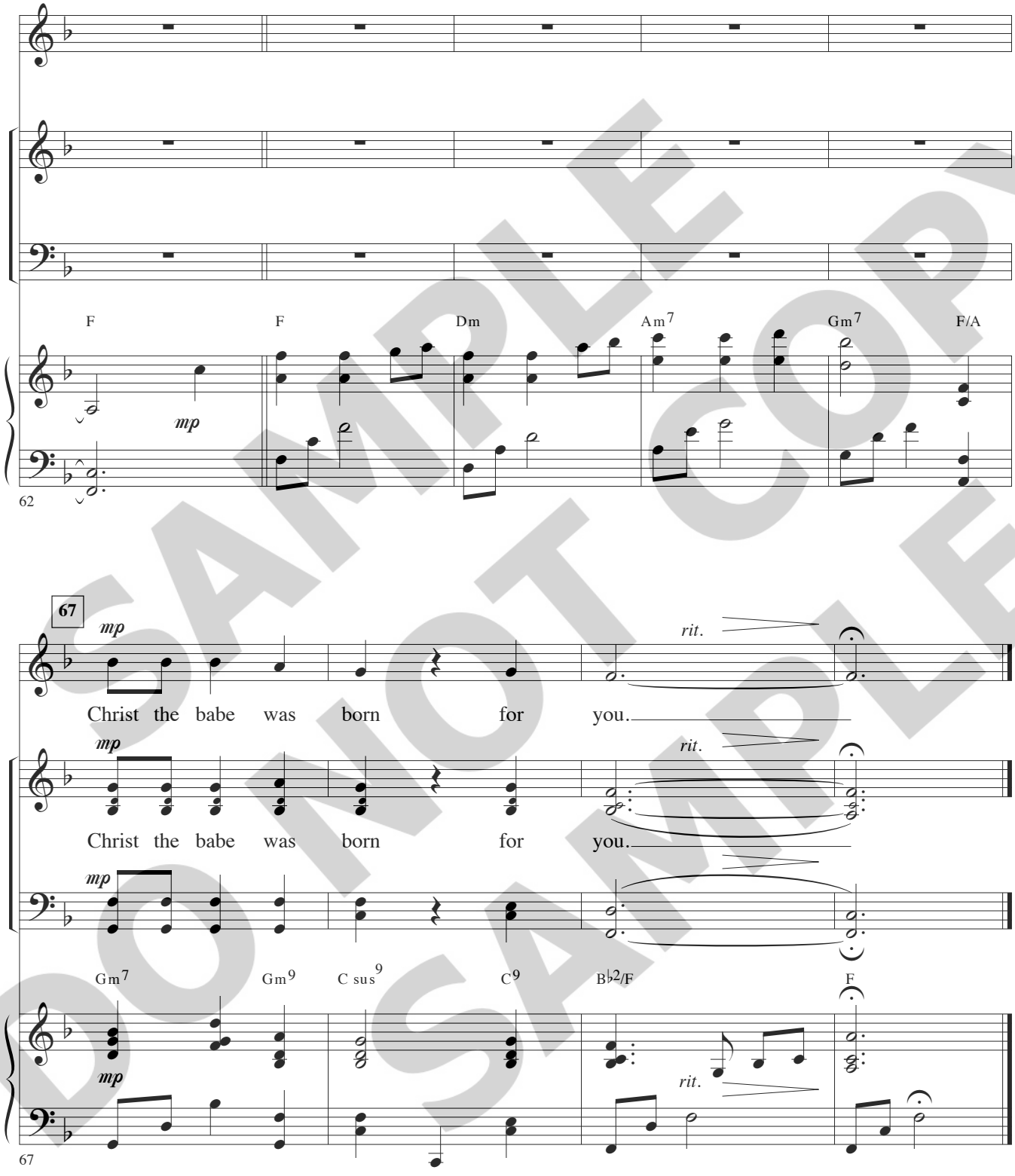


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» NARRATION

It IS everyday that a baby is born.
So what makes *this child* so different?

Jesus is not just Mary's baby; he's God's Son.

He's not just visited by shepherds;
He *is the Great Shepherd* who will lay down his life for his flock.

He will not just receive the gifts of wise men who seek him;
He *is the gift* sent from the Lord on High to seek and save the lost.
Christmas changes *everything*...

*Perform...* **A STAR IS BORN**

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# A Star Is Born

(Solo)

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**Jesus Is Emmanuel**

Words and Music by
**DAVID M. EDWARDS**
*Arranged by*
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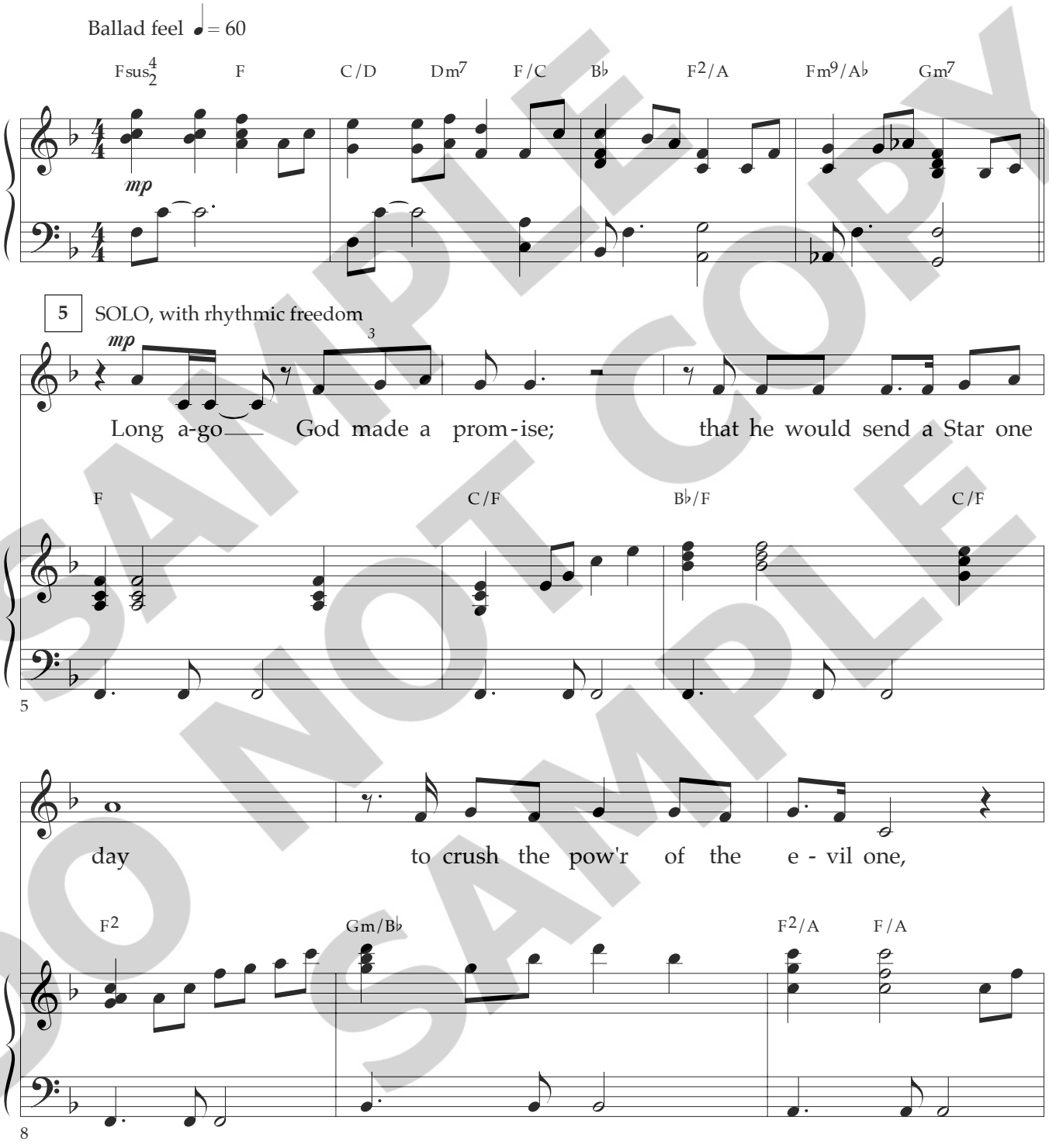


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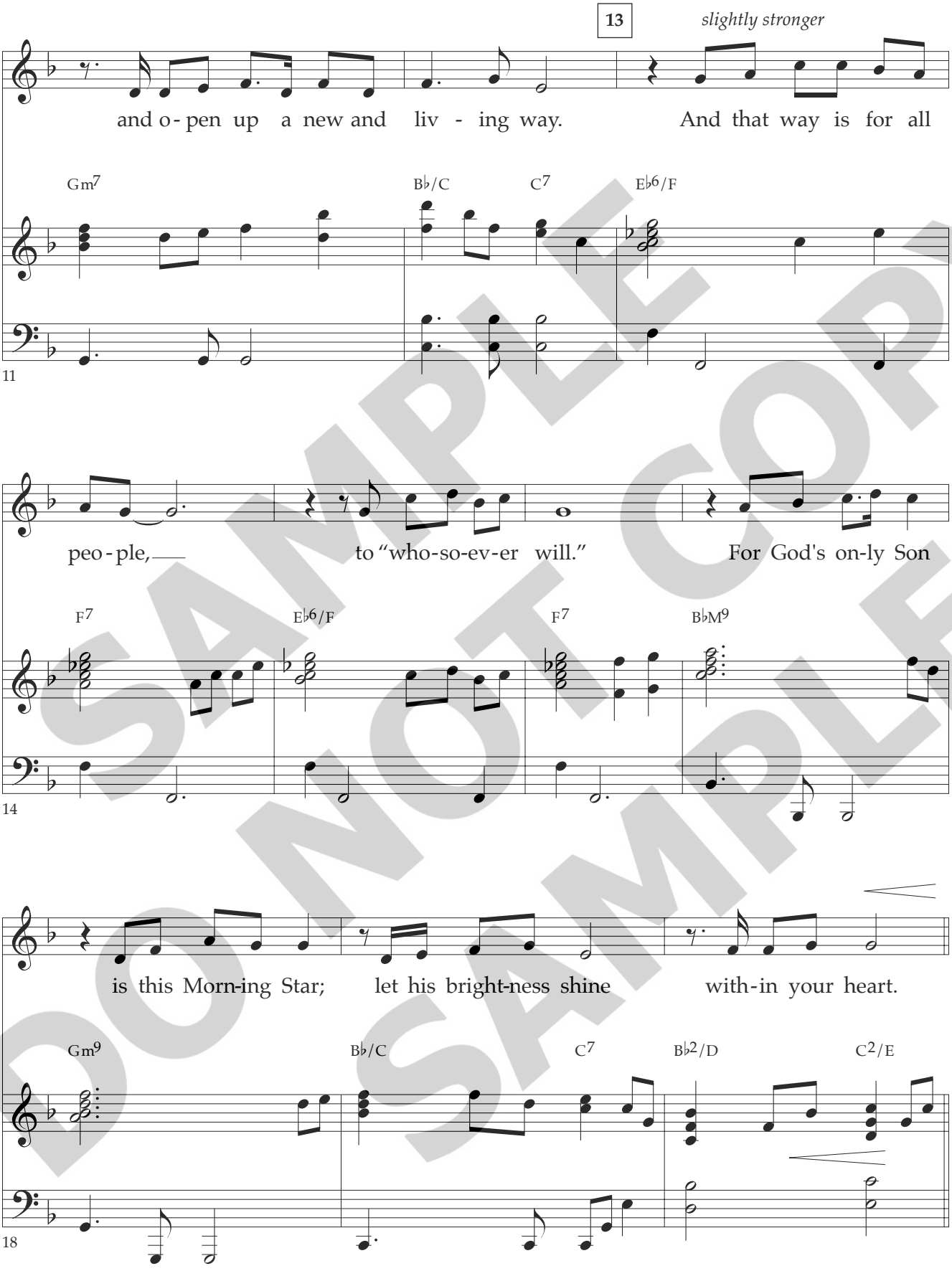


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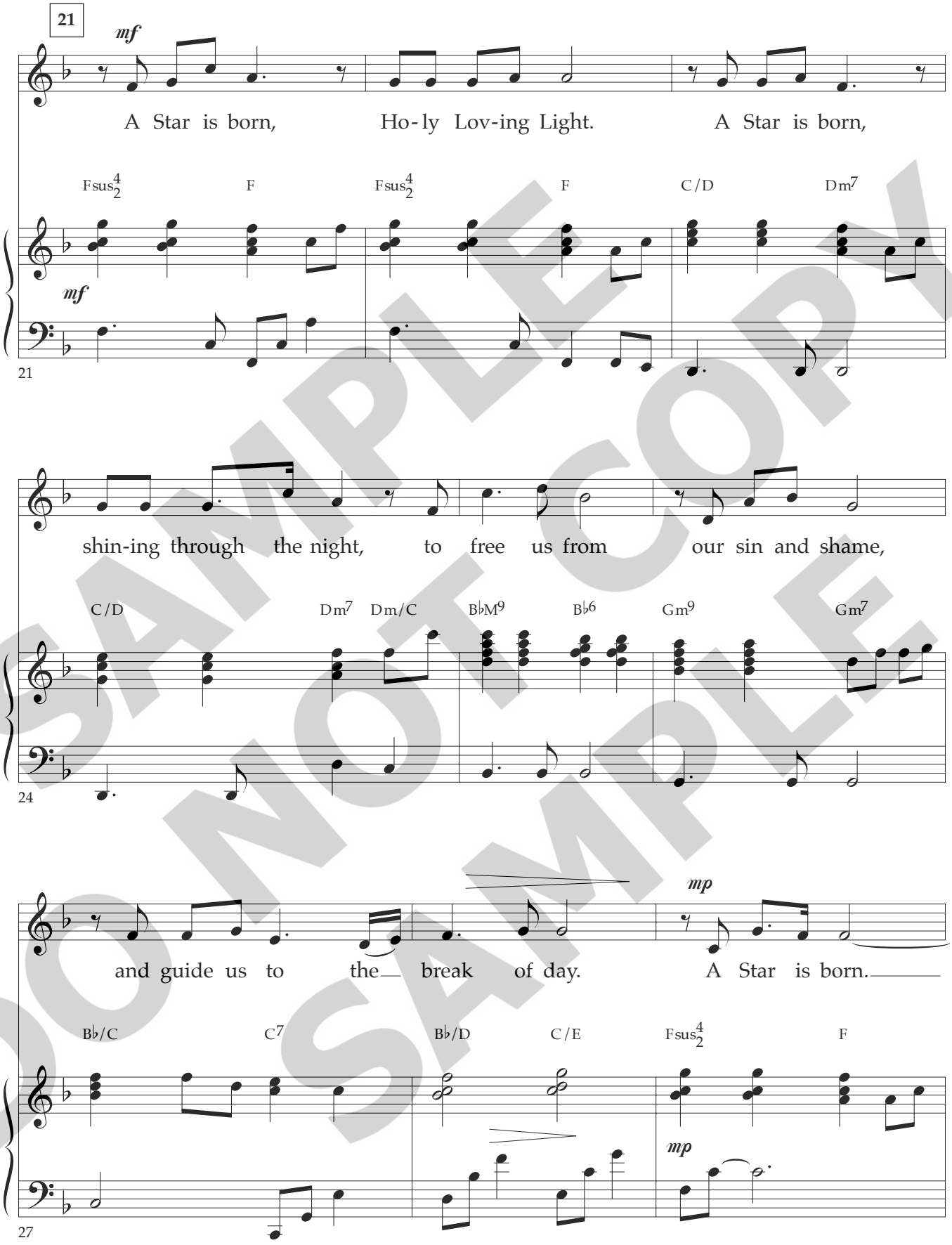


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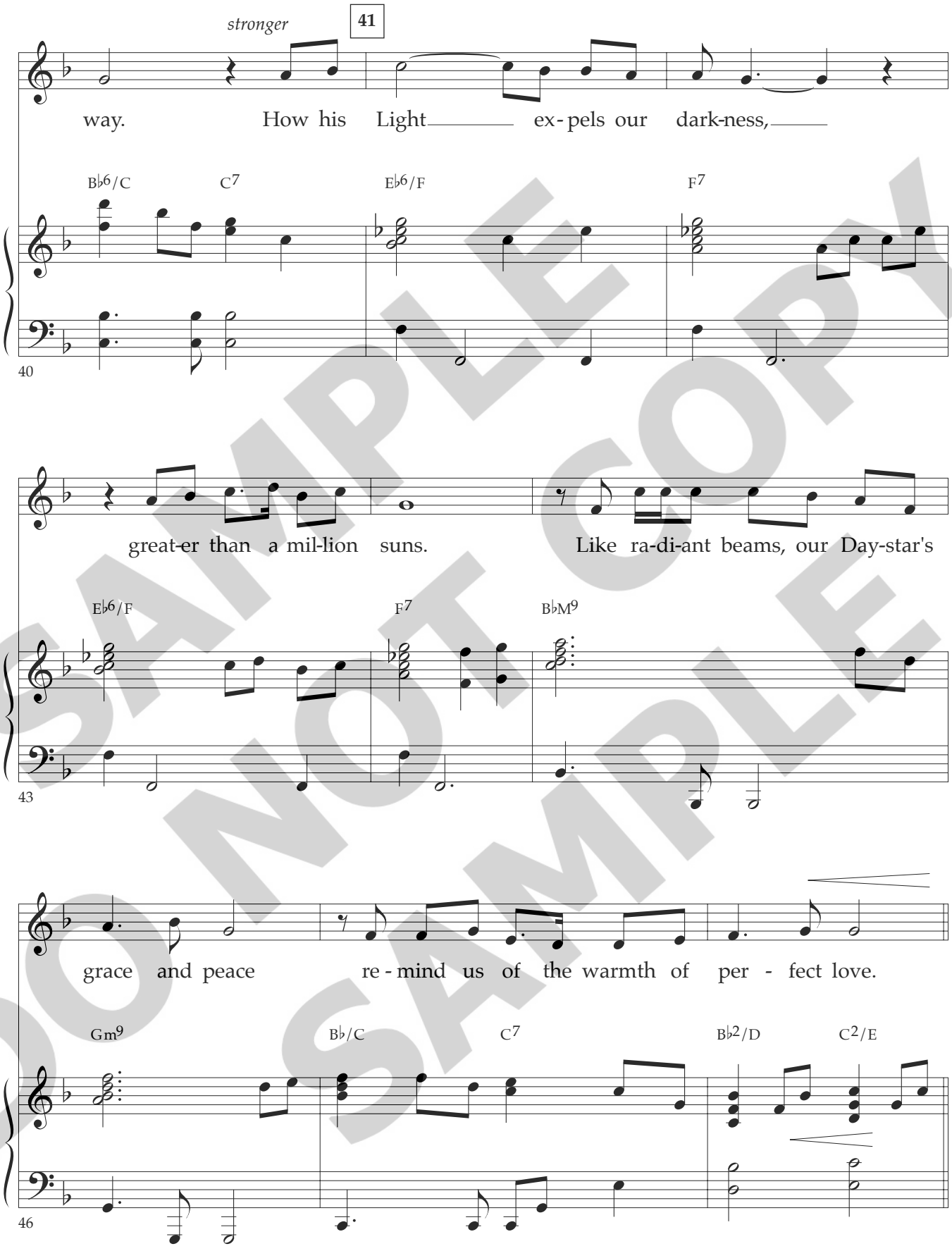


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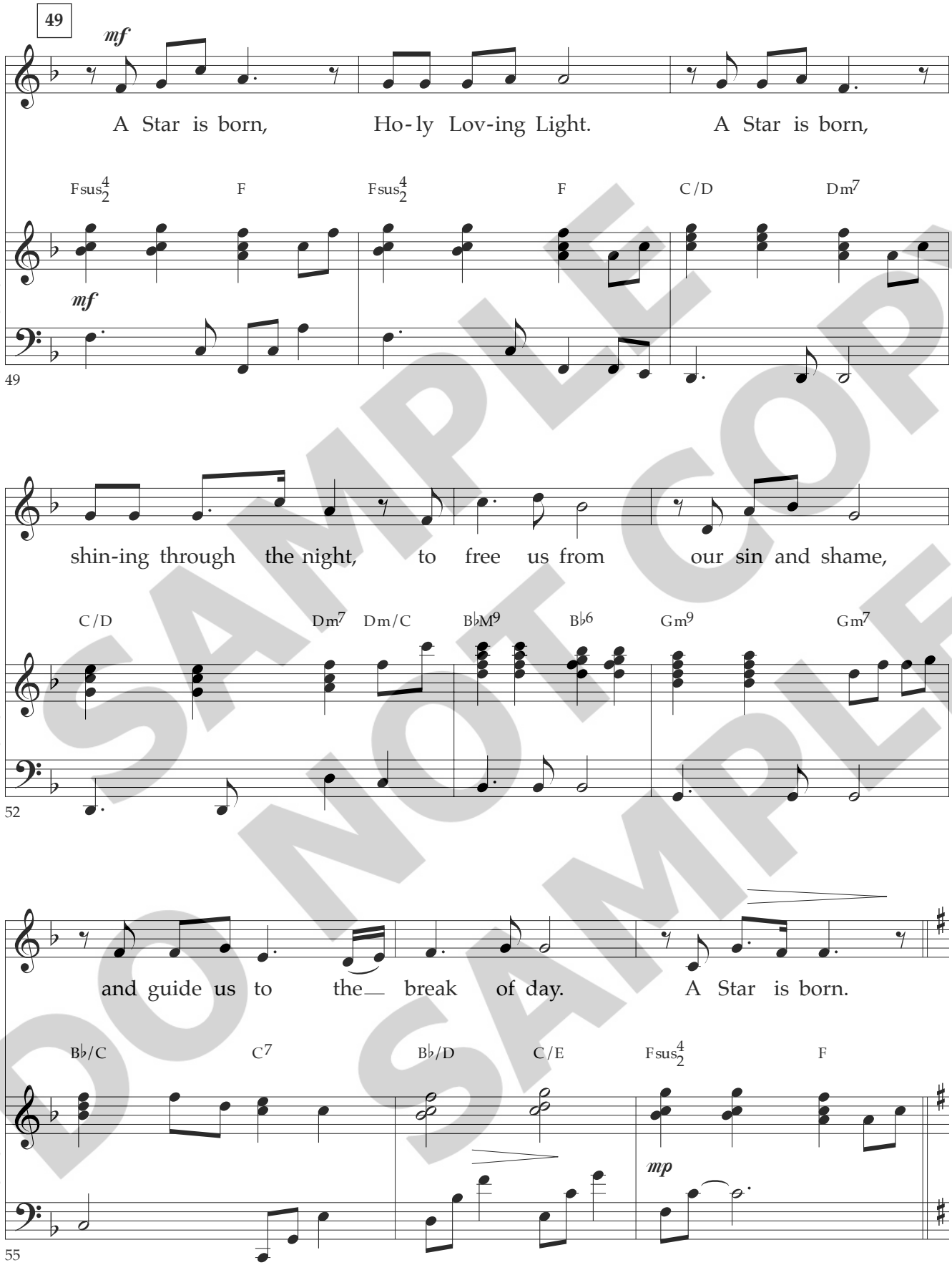


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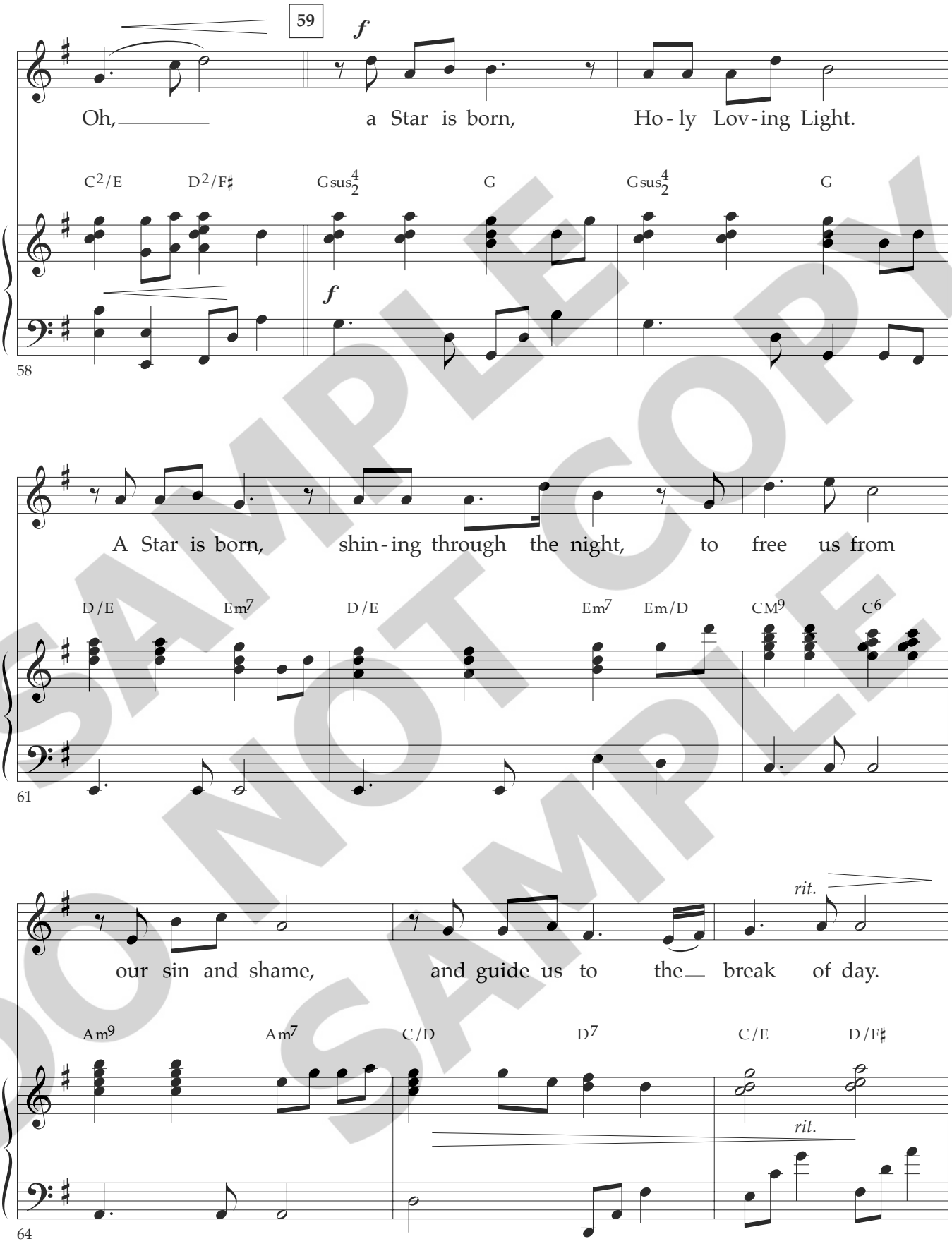


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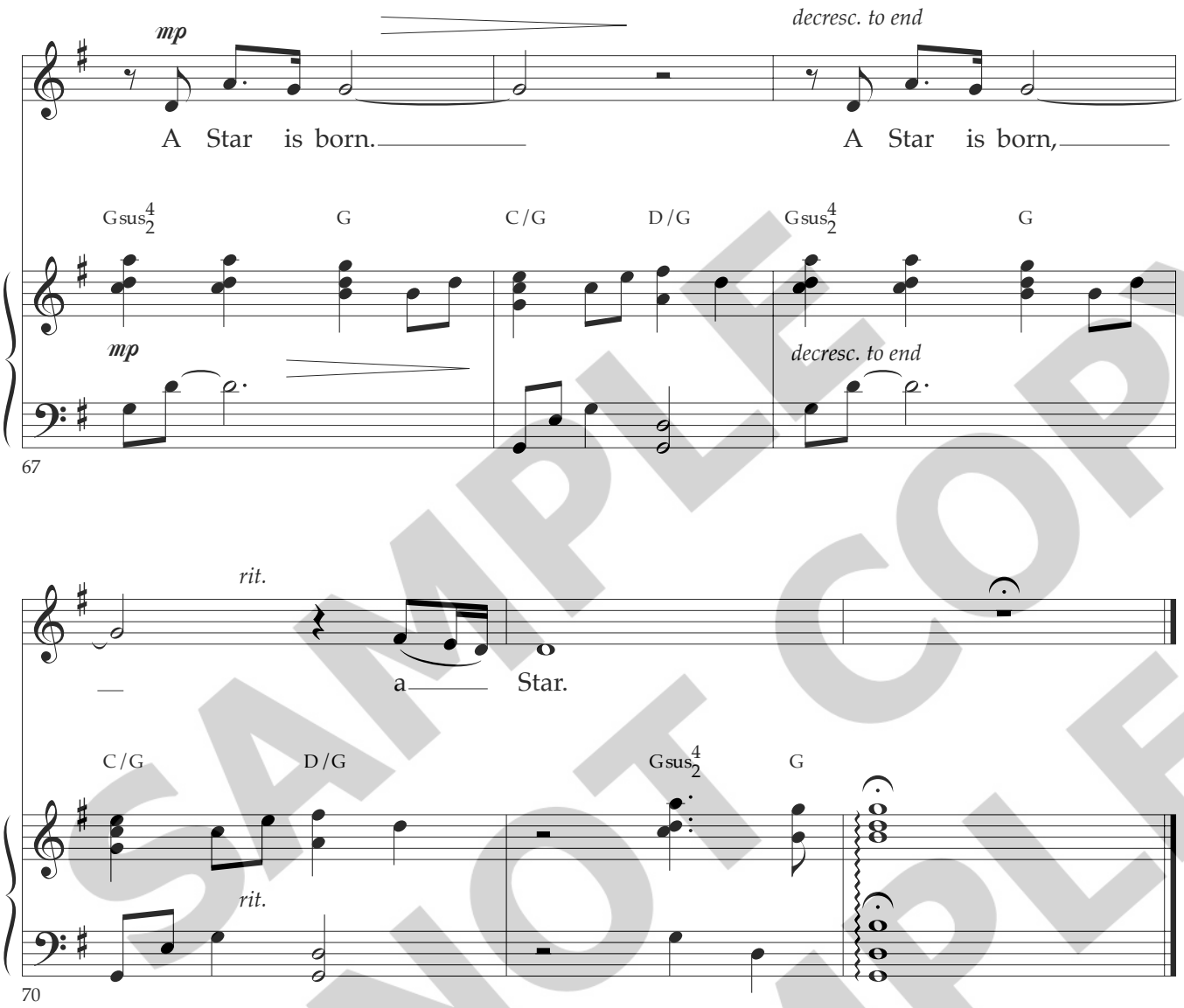


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» NARRATION

Lord, we respond in awe, wonder, and joy.
But most of all, we respond in worship.

For the One who made the world has come to redeem the world.
Our Creator has become our Savior.
And one day, you will come again—
Not as a humble baby but as the glorious King—
At whose Name every knee will bow and every tongue confess Lordship.

Alleluia... for Christ has come.

*Perform...* **O HOLY NIGHT**

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# O Holy Night!

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Words by JOHN S. DWIGHT
Music by ADOLPHE ADAM
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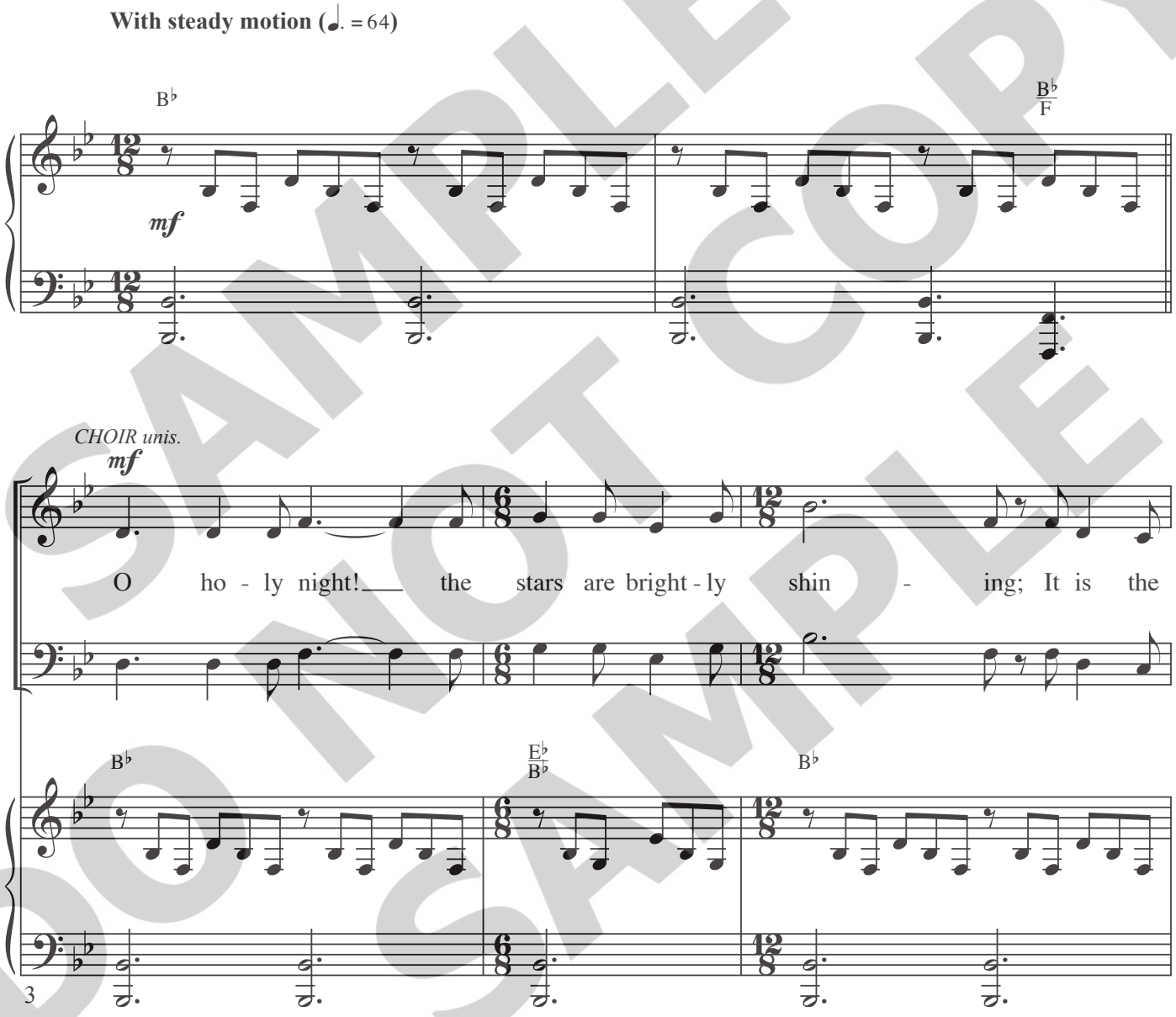


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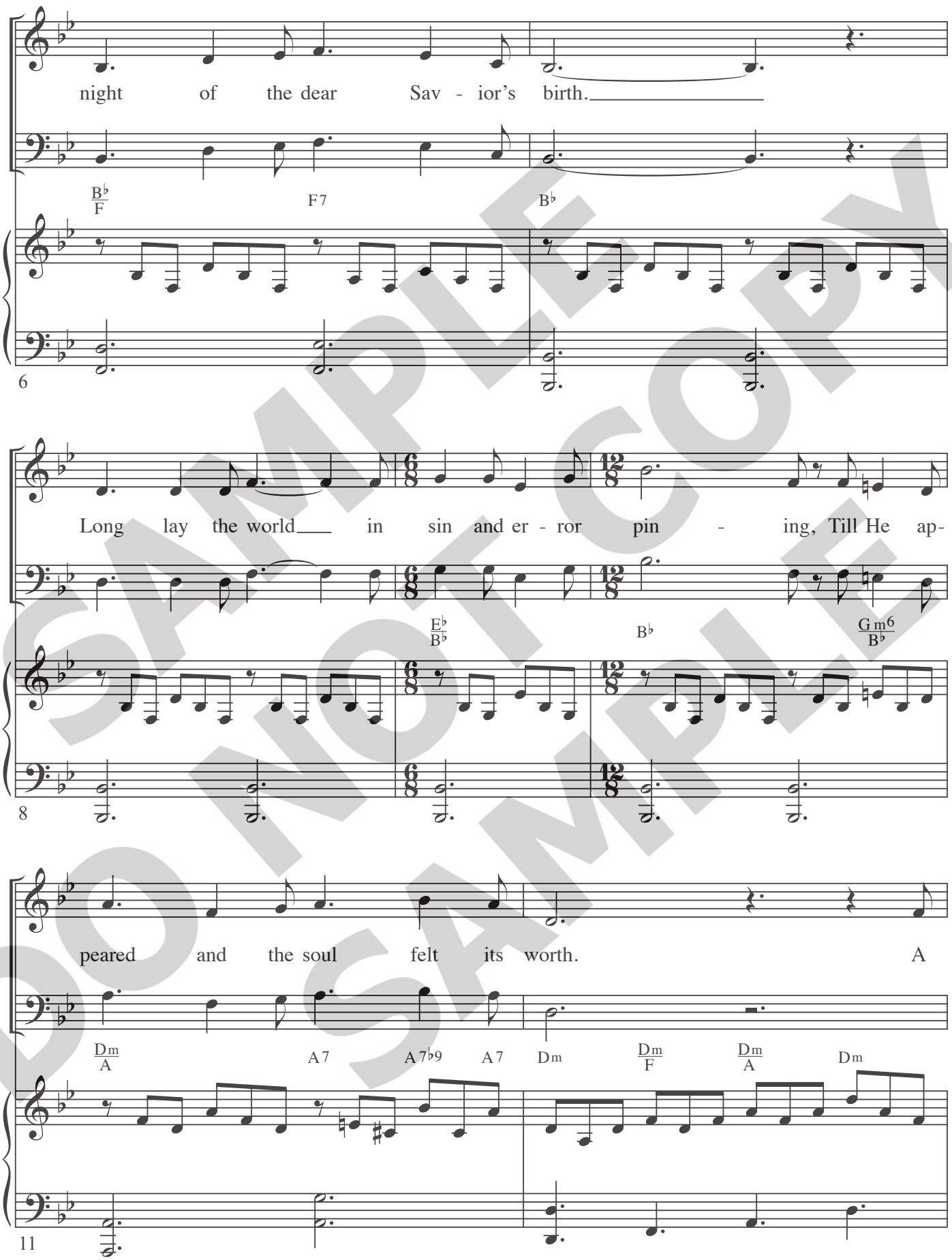


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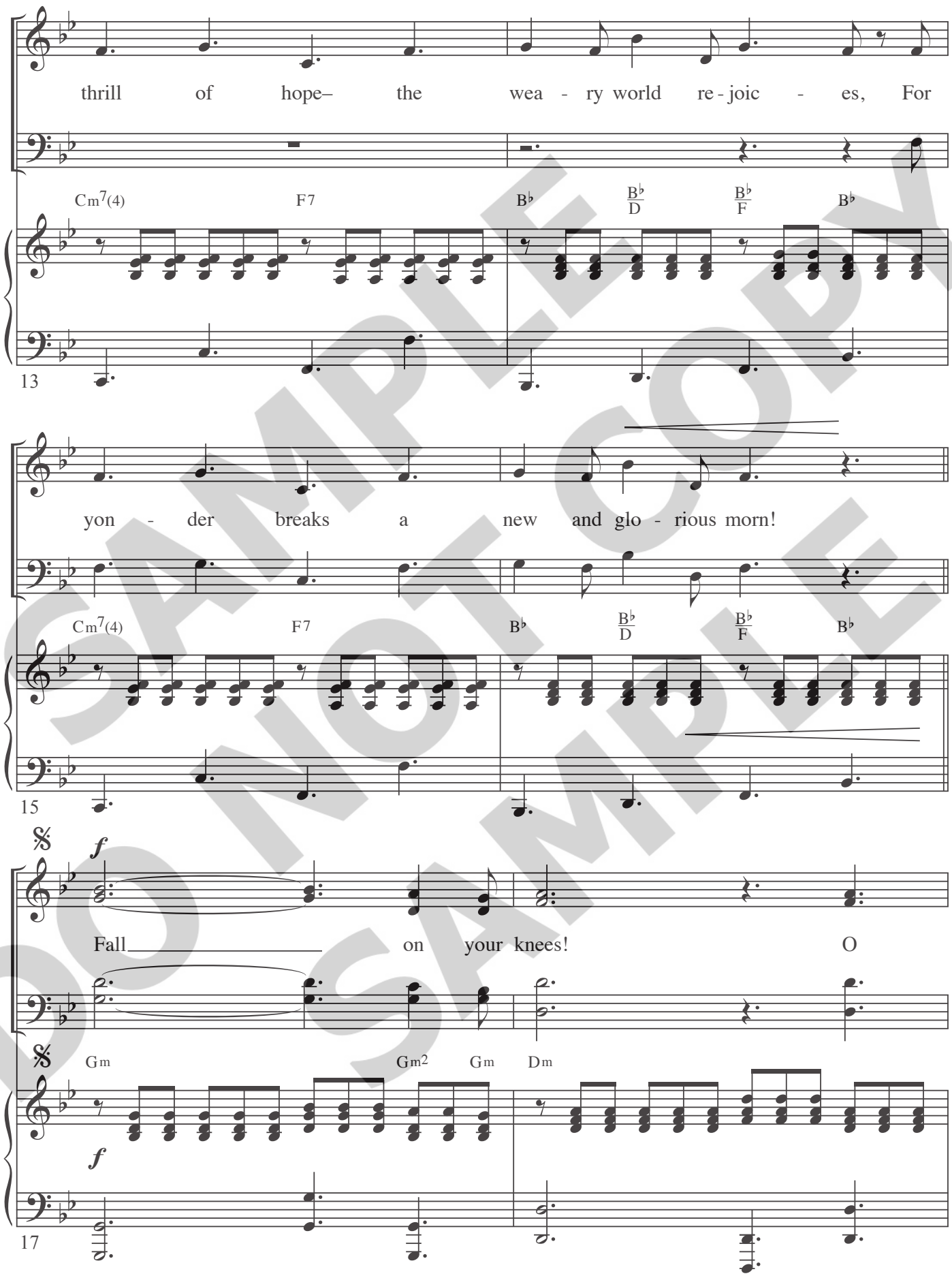


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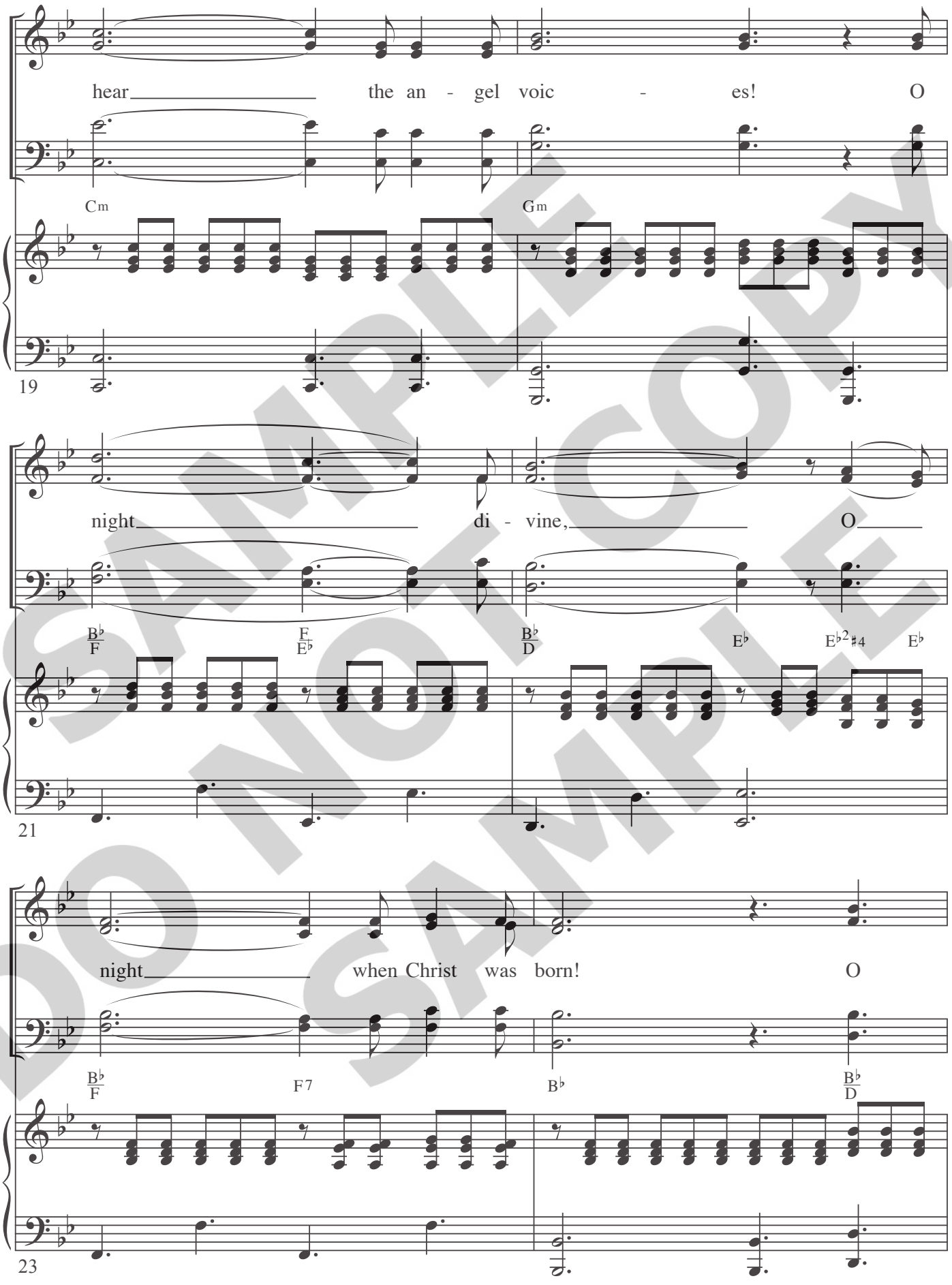


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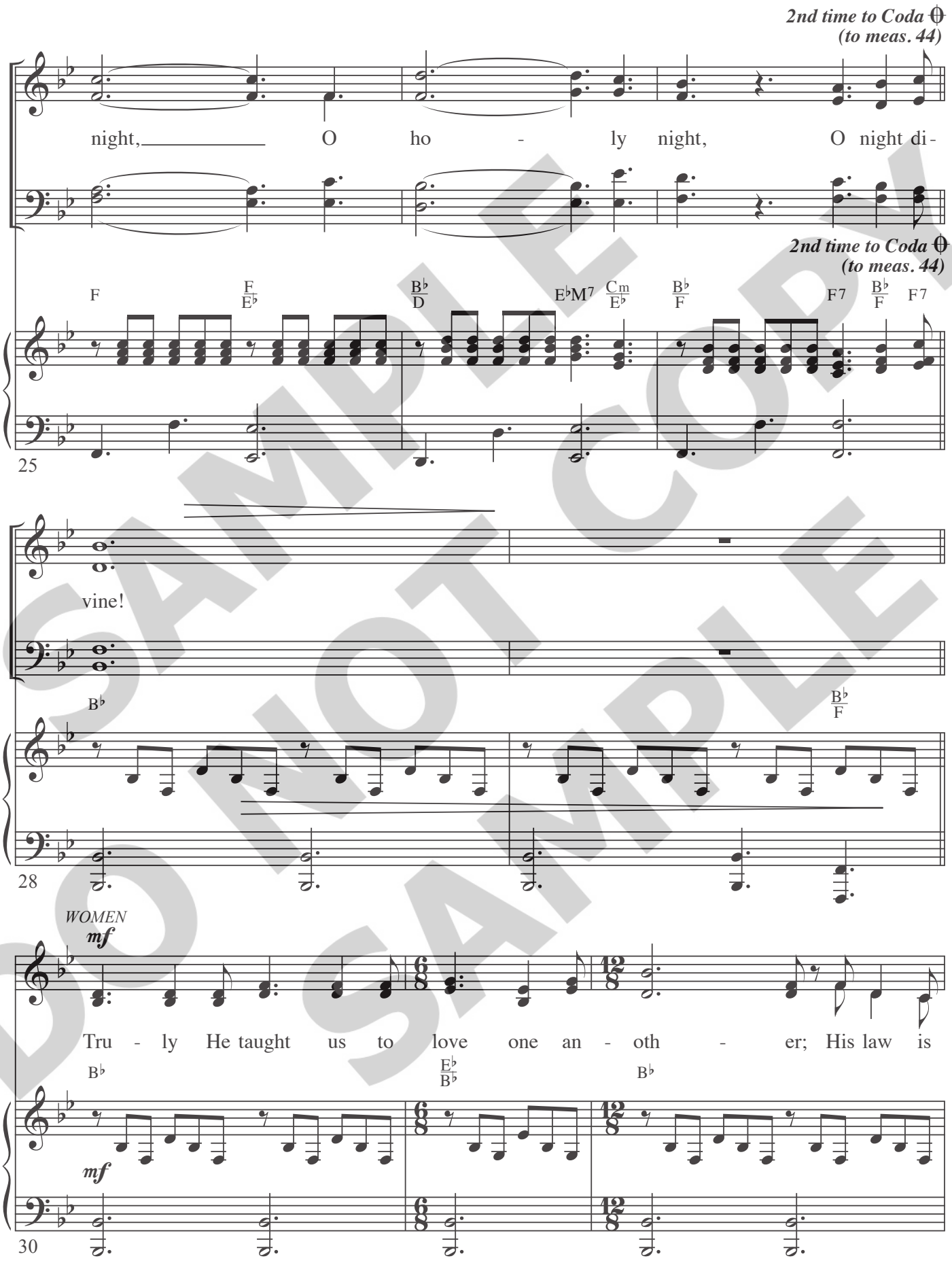


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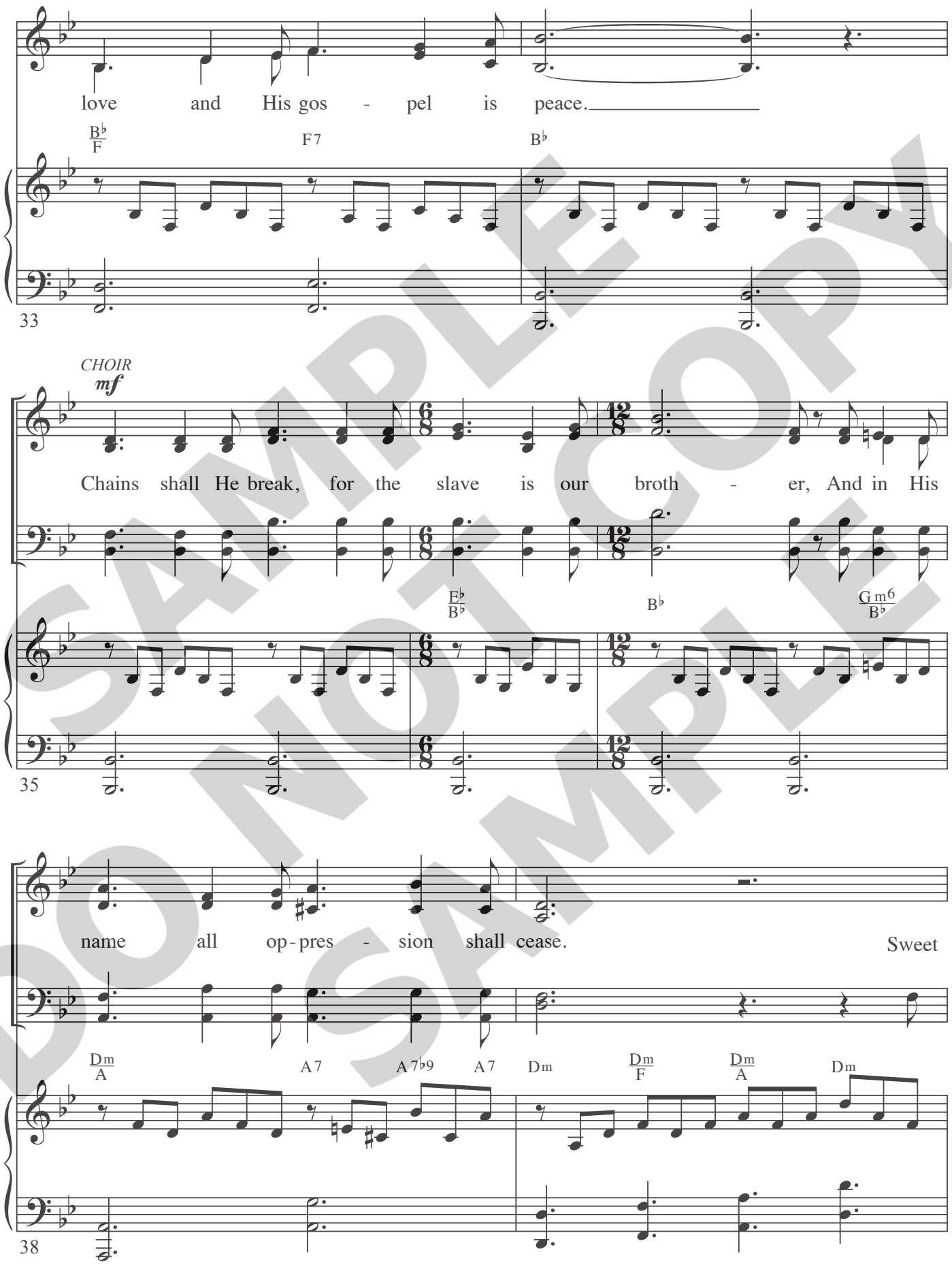


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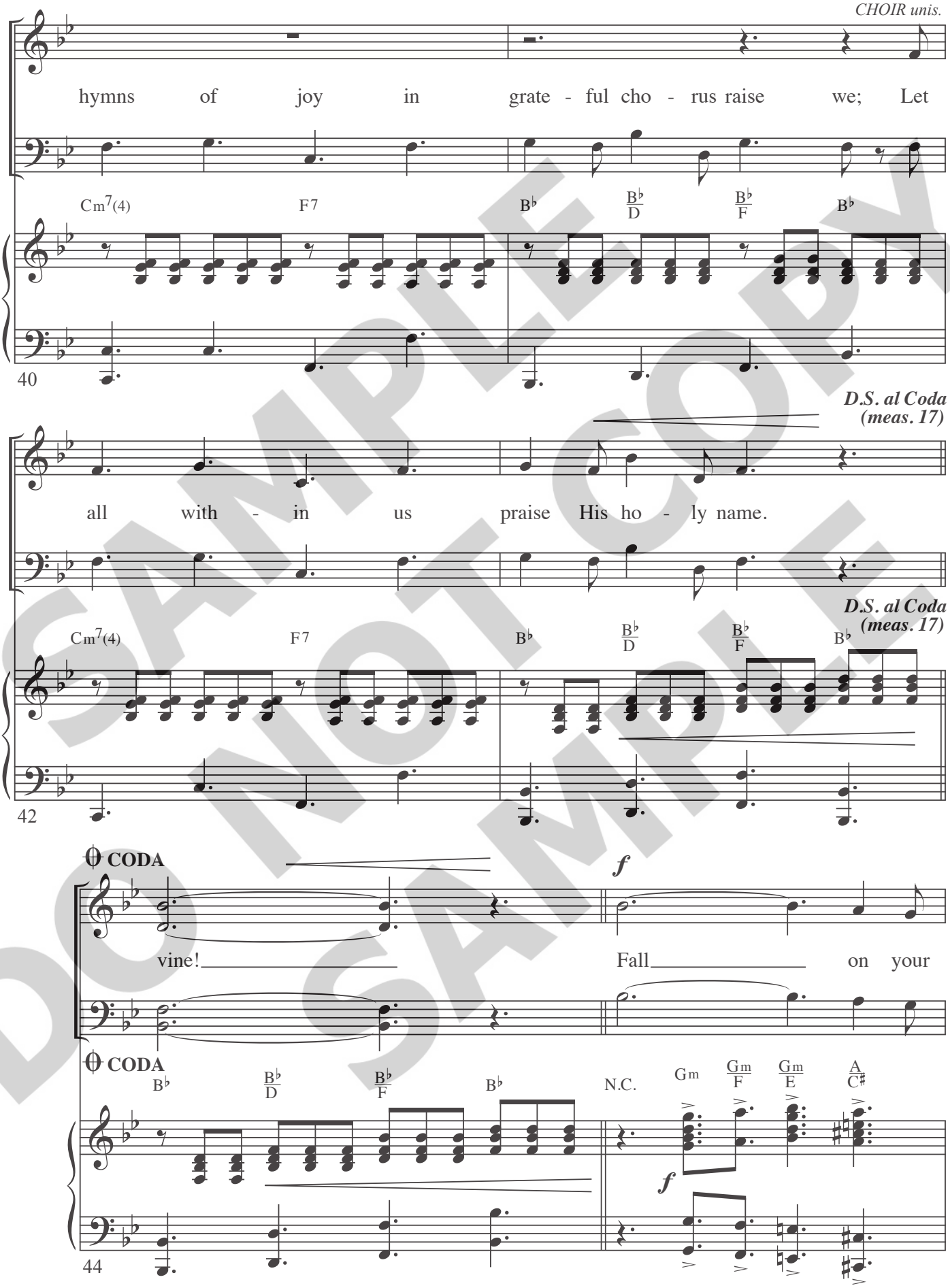


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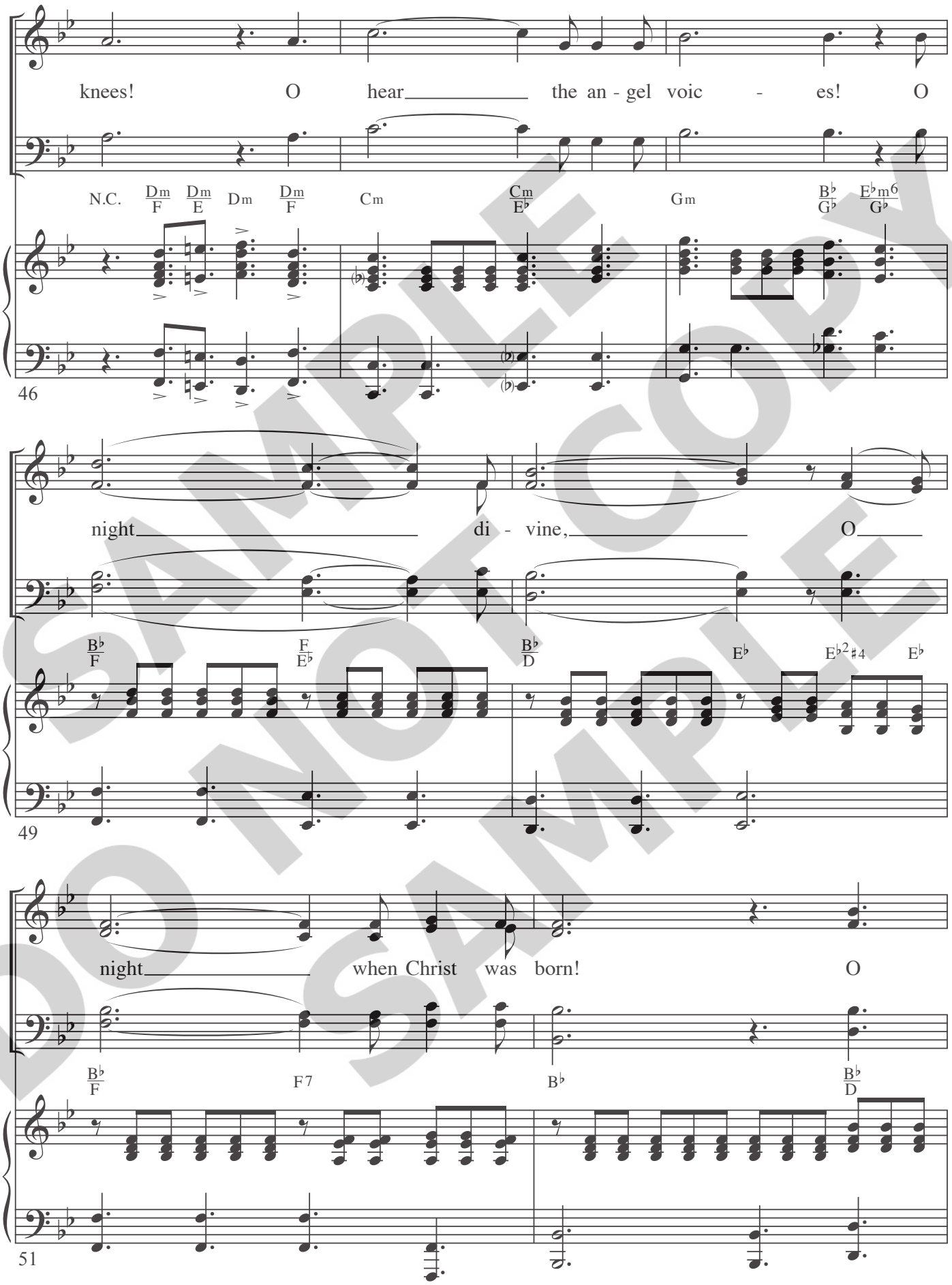


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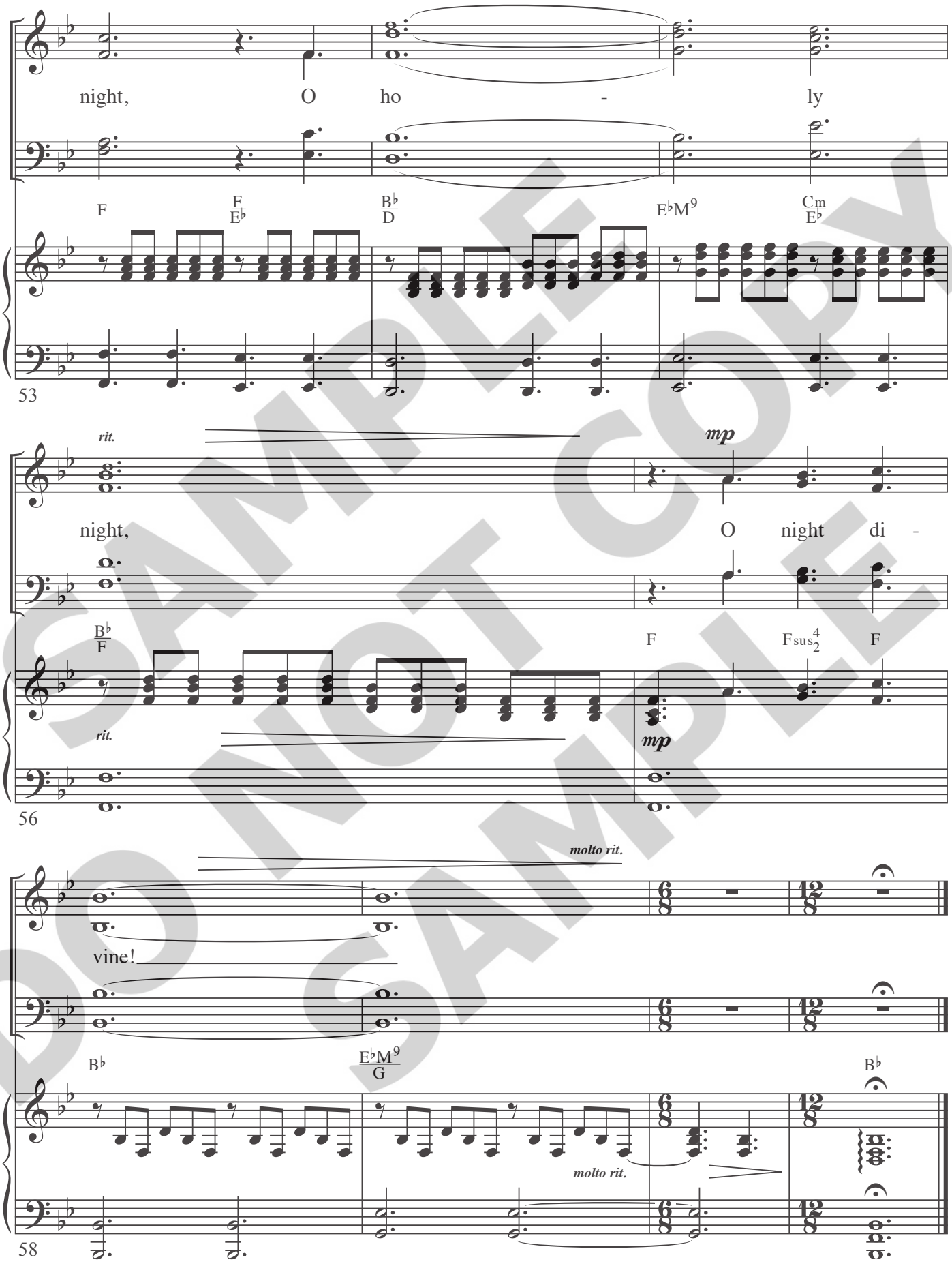


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