Away With These Self-Loving Lads

A Song from:
The First Booke of songs or Ayres
of foure parts,
with Tableture for the Lute
1597

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Way with theſe ſelfe louing lads, whom *Cupids* arrowe

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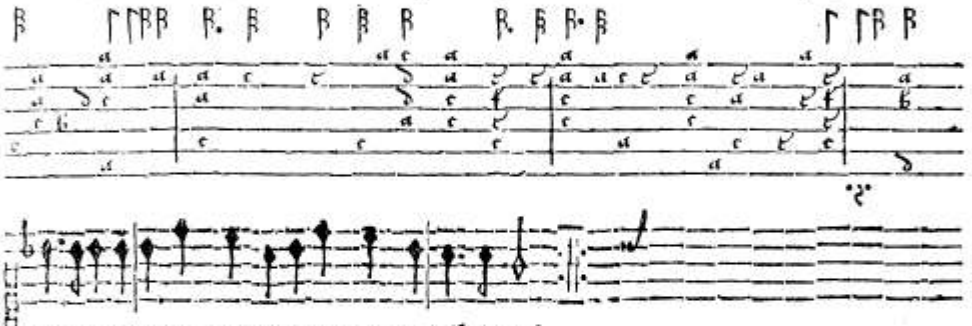

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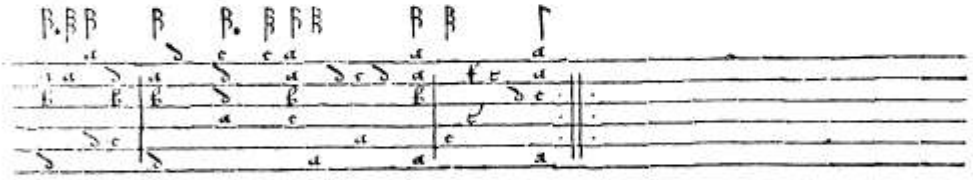

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God *Cupids* ſhaft like deſtinie,
Doth either good or ill decree:
Deſert is borne out of his bow,
Reward vpon his feet doth go,
What fooles are they that haue not knowne
That loue likes no lawes but his owne?

3

My ſong they be of *Cynthias* praiſe,
I weare her rings on hollidaies,
On euery tree I write her name,
And euery day I reade the ſame:
Where honor, *Cupids* riuall is,
There miracles are ſeene of his:

4

If *Cinthia* craue her ring of me,
I blot her name out of the tree,
If doubt do darken things held deere,
Then well fare nothing once a yeere:
For many run, but one muſt win,
Fooles only hedge the Cuckoo in.

5

The worth that worthineſſe ſhould moue
Is loue, which is the bowe of loue,
And loue as well the foſter can,
As can the mighty Noble-man:
Sweet Saint, tis true you worthie be,
Yet without loue nought worth to me.

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BASSVS.

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TENOR.

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Ensemble.

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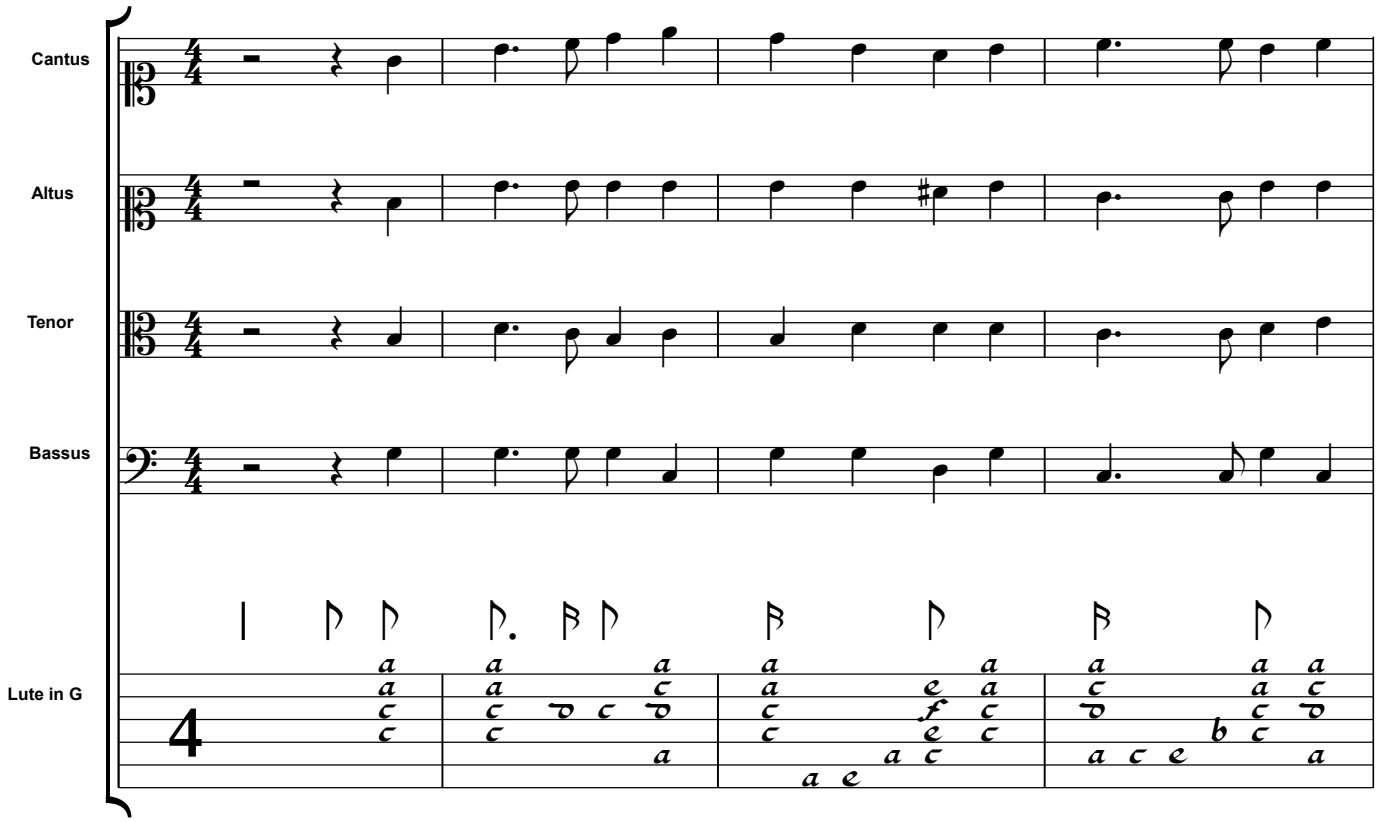

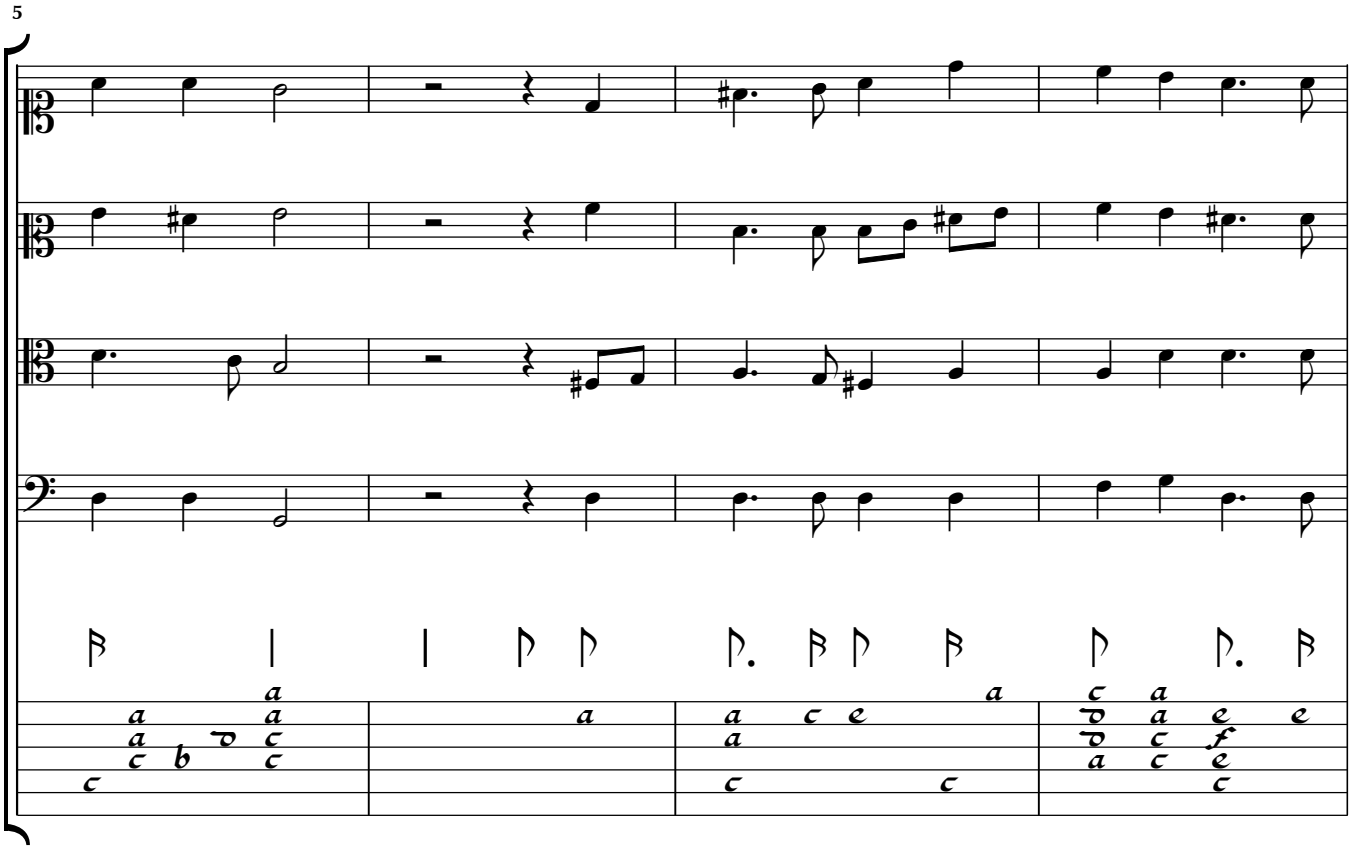

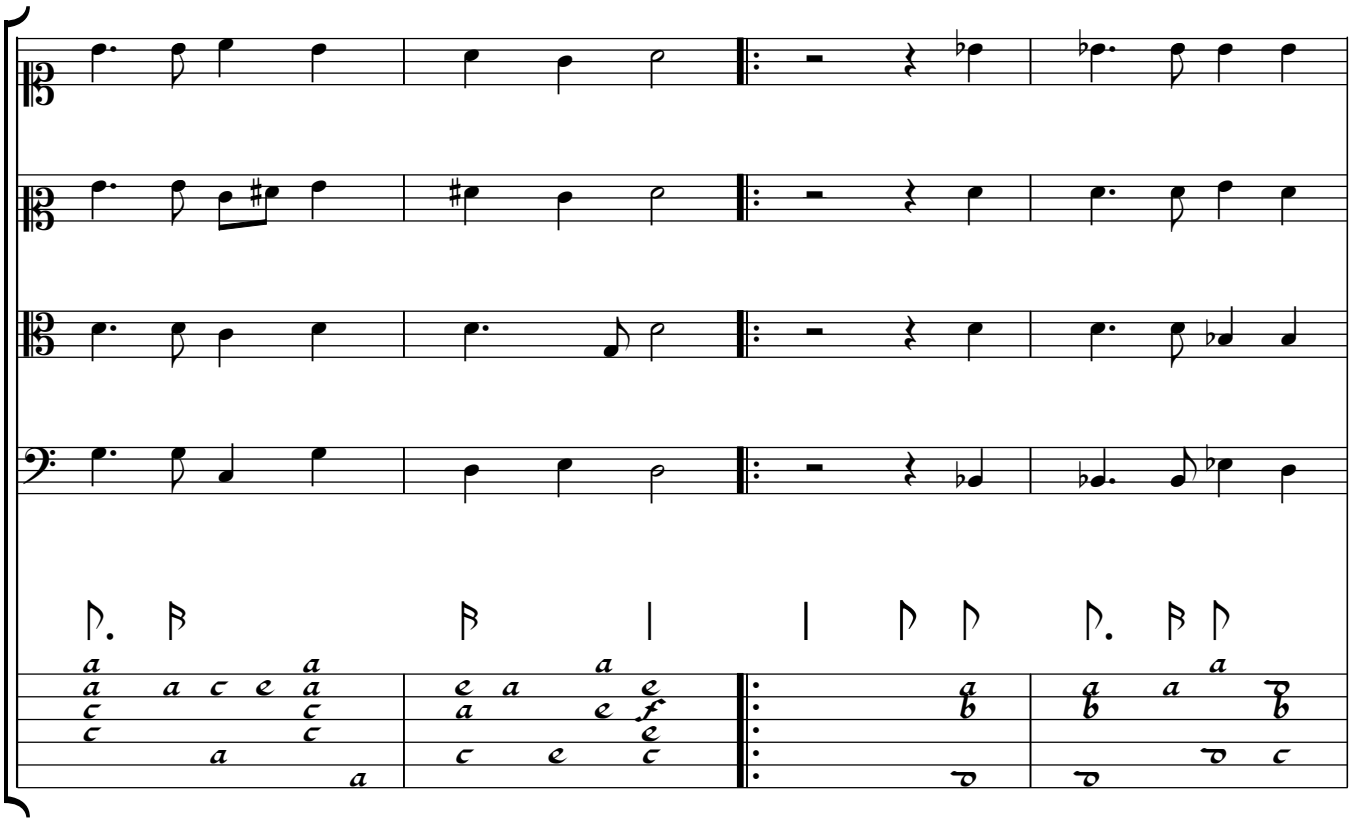

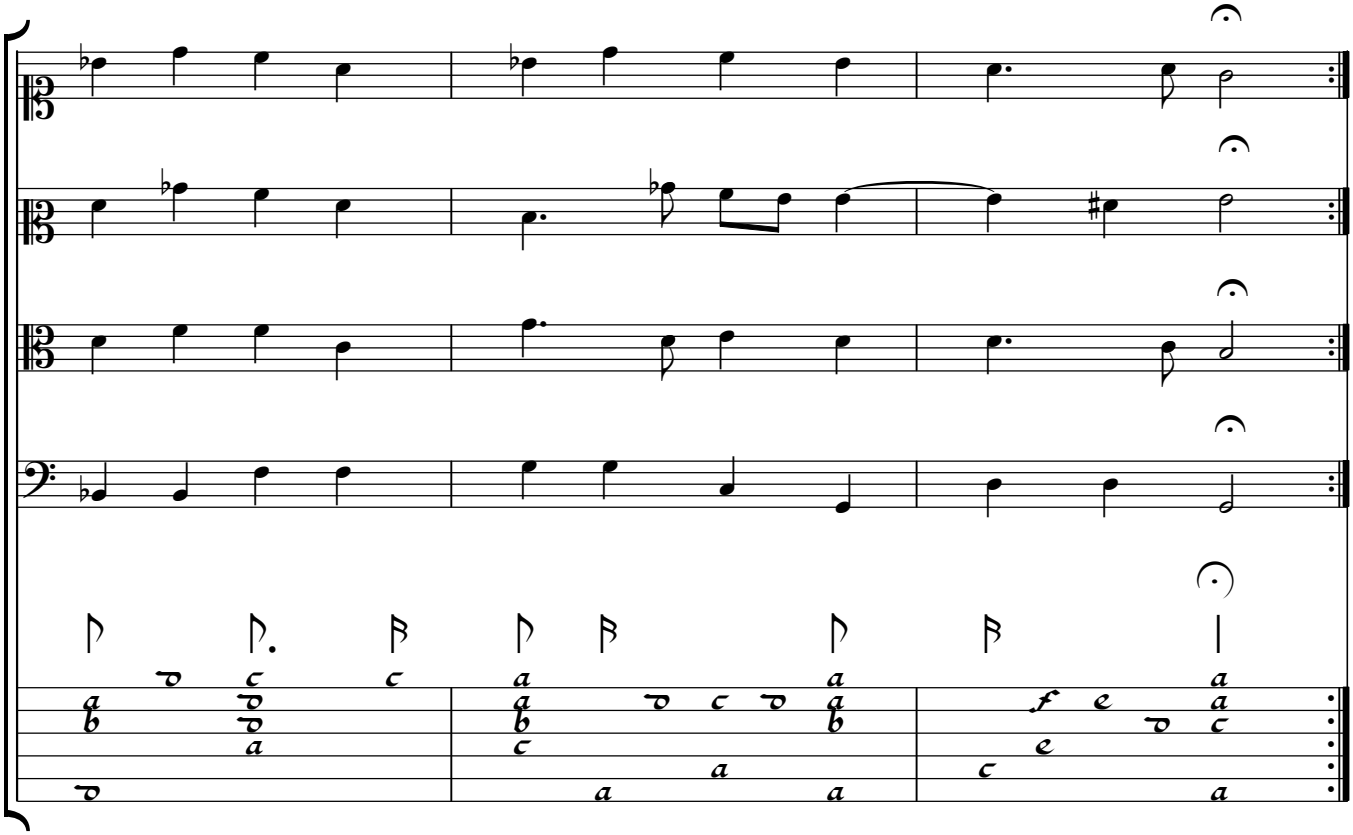

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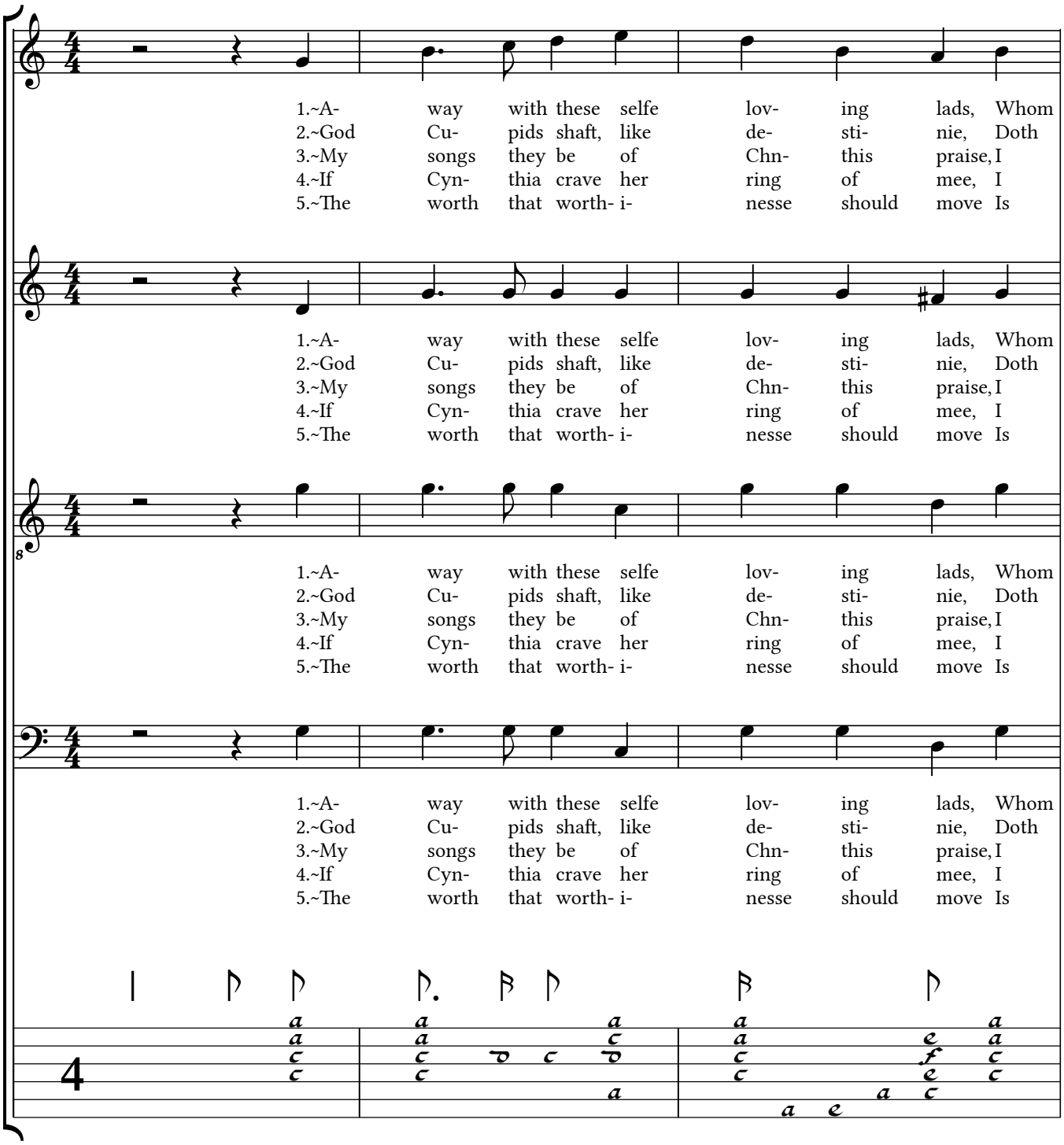

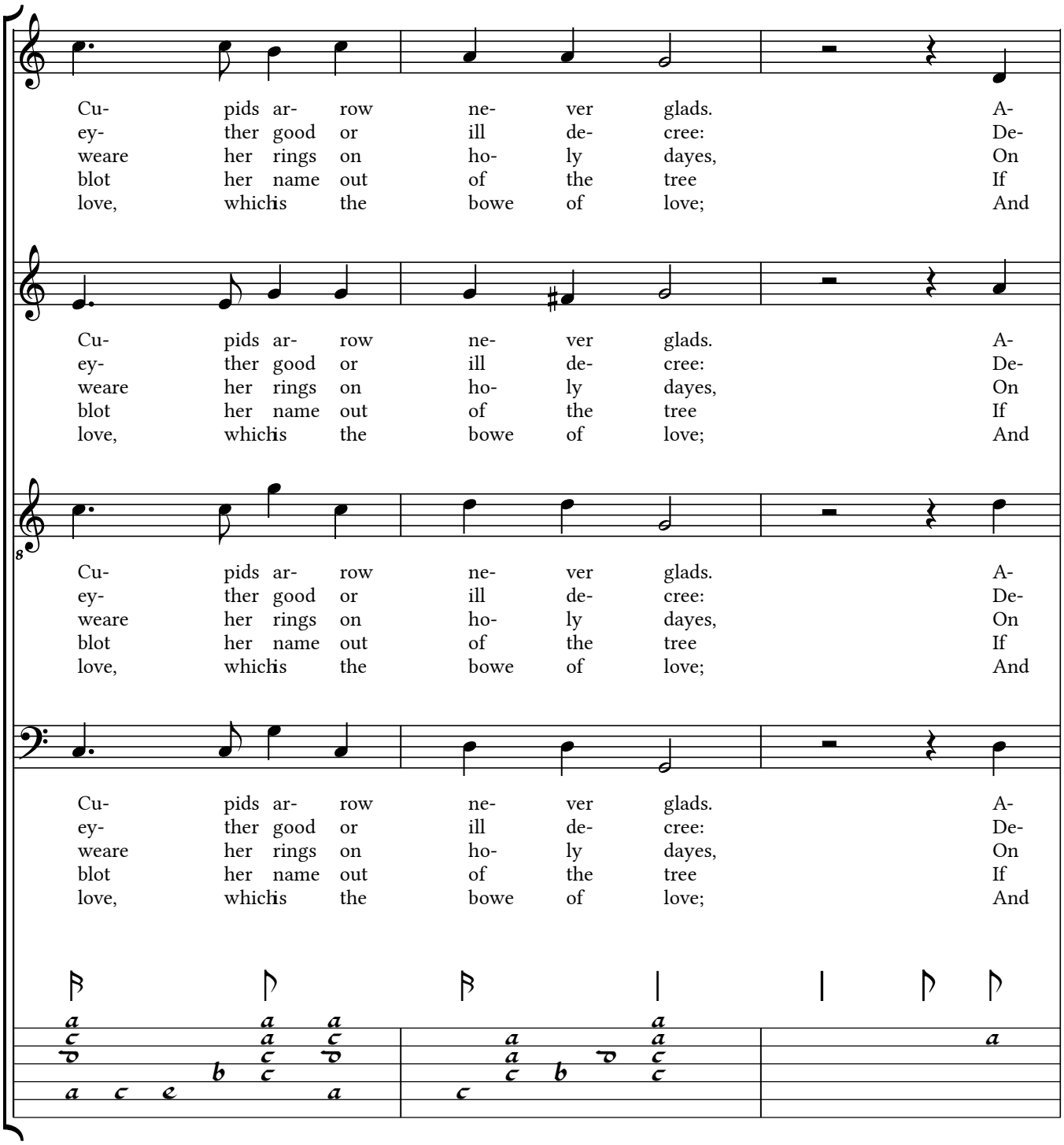
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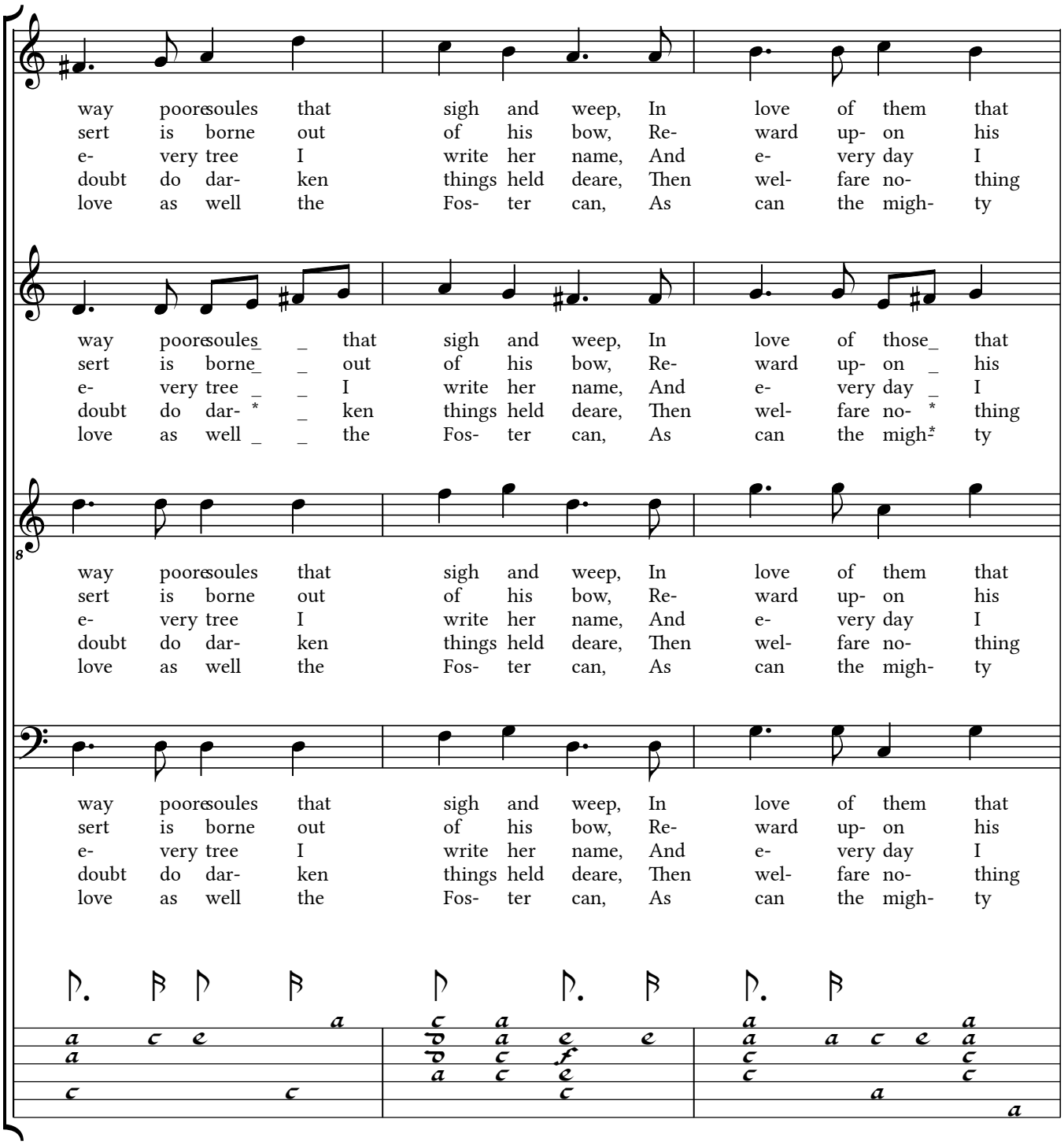
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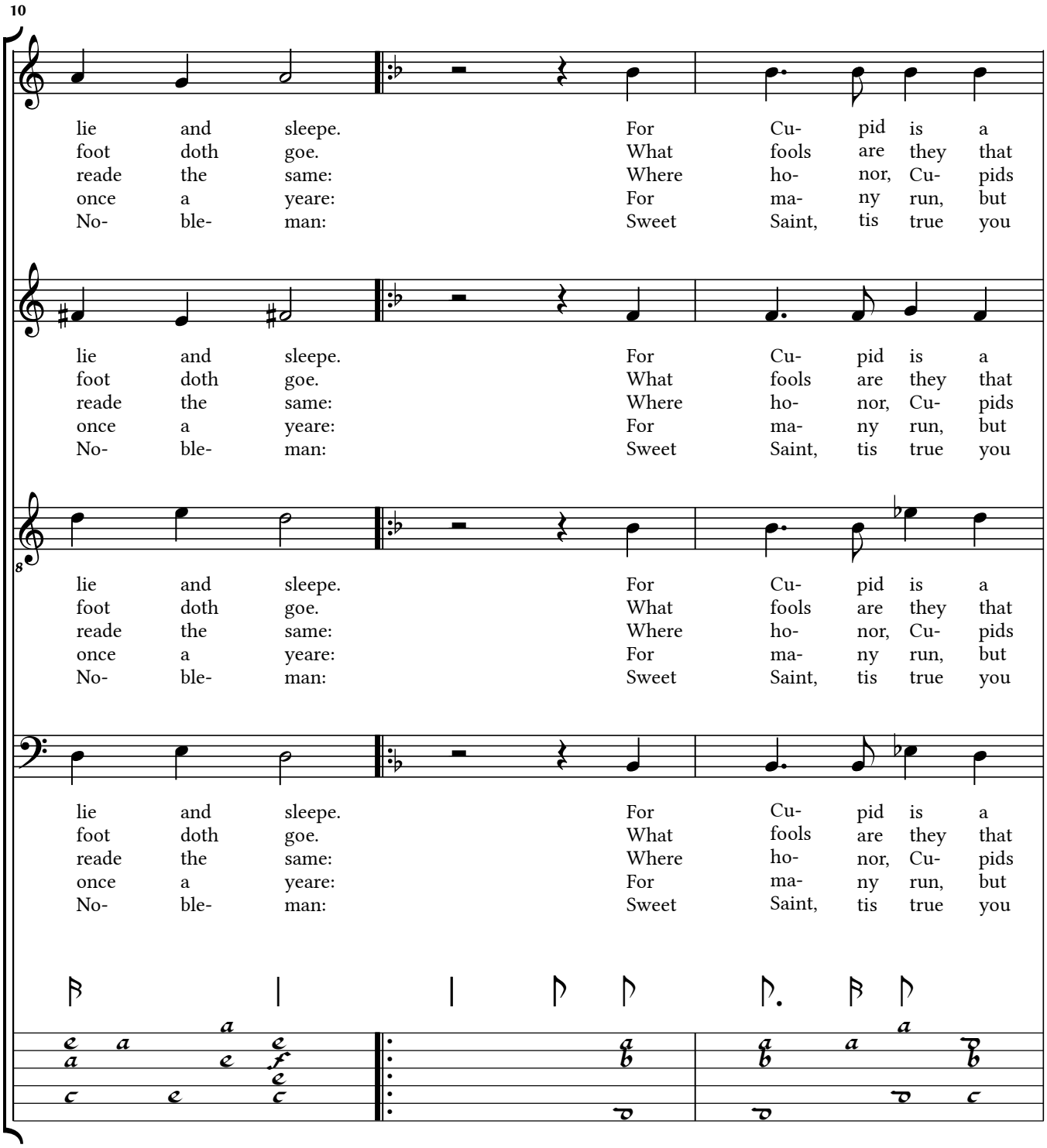
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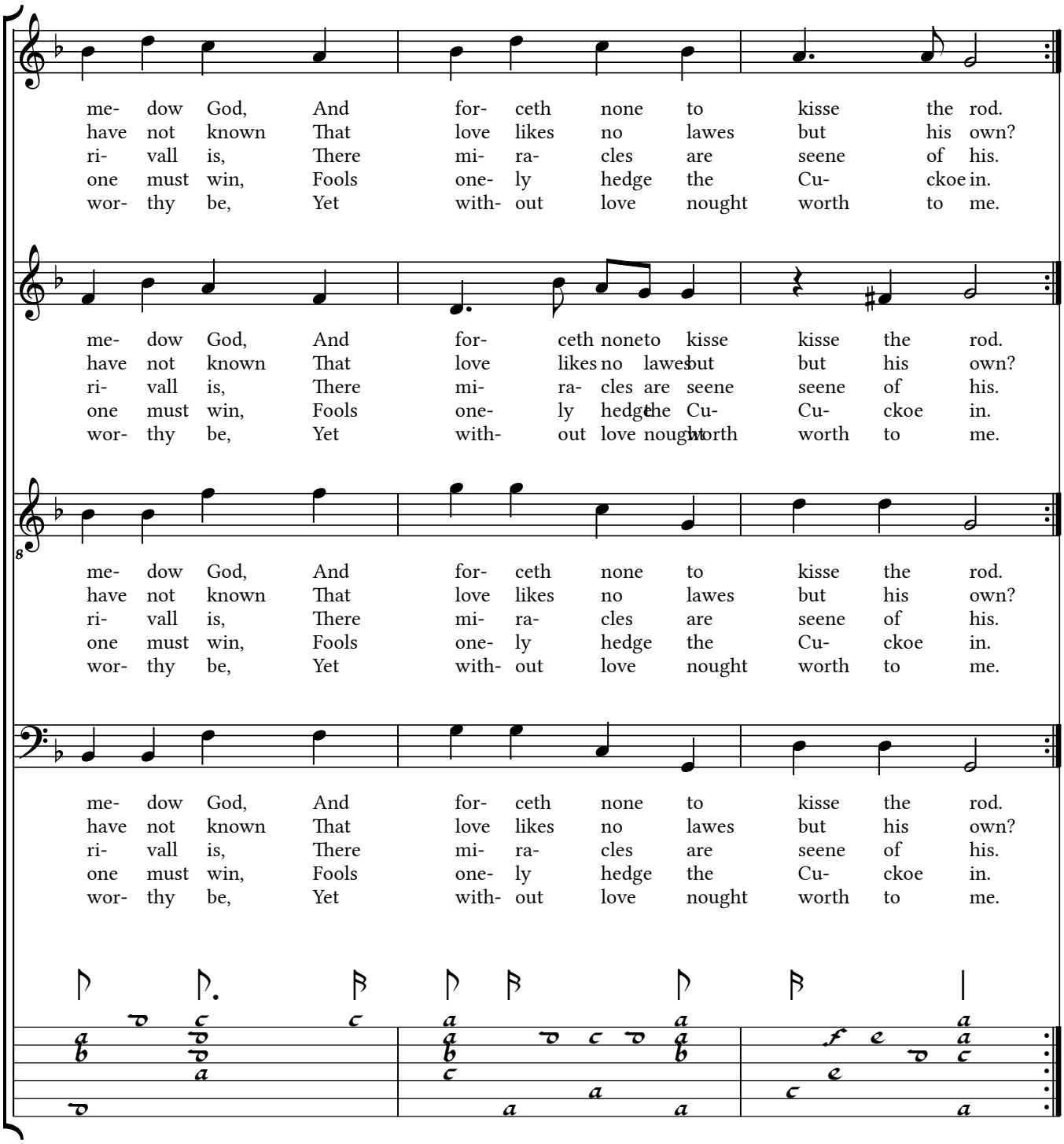
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