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Oh, How I Love Jesus

20 EASY GOSPEL FAVORITES FOR PIANO

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FOREWORD

The hundred years from 1830 to 1930 produced some of the great melodies in church music. If you aren't a church-music-history buff you may not recognize the names Luther Bridgers, James McGranahan, John Stockton, Daniel Towner, or C. Austin Miles, but you likely do know "He Keeps Me Singing," "I Know Whom I Have Believed," "Down at the Cross," "At Calvary," and "In the Garden."

In that same order, those writers crafted this music from the golden era of Christian hymns. They were also active in church-music leadership, leading music for churches, revivals, and evangelistic meetings, and serving God in music throughout the nation.

The goal of this collection is to provide literature that will introduce young players as well as adult beginners to this rich genre of Christian hymnody. The keys are friendly, and the rhythms are straightforward. While the arranging approach is simple—a short introduction, one time through the tune, and a short ending—the styles vary widely, from the stately "I Am Resolved" to the swing feel of "He Keeps Me Singing."

More advanced players can use these arrangements as frameworks for playing with added embellishments, using the printed music as a guide. Students will be able to master these selections for home and church performance. (What young player has not been asked to perform for family and friends at home and church?)

I'm grateful for the creativity and spiritual depth of the nineteenth- and early twentieth-century church composers. I hope you will find these pieces useful. It was a blessing to me to write them.

—Stan Pethel

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Oh, How I Love Jesus

Traditional American Melody
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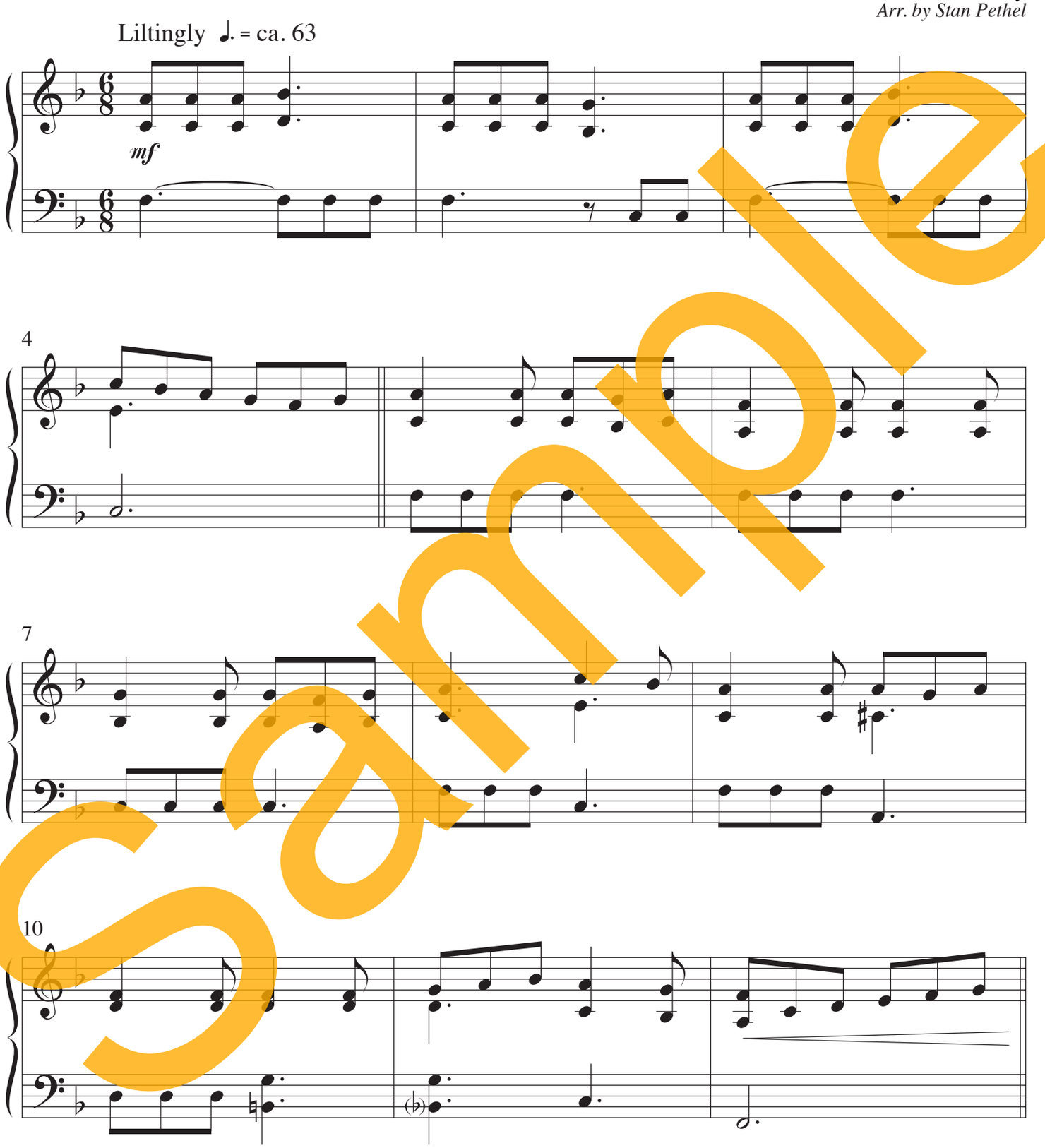

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At Calvary

DANIEL B. TOWNER
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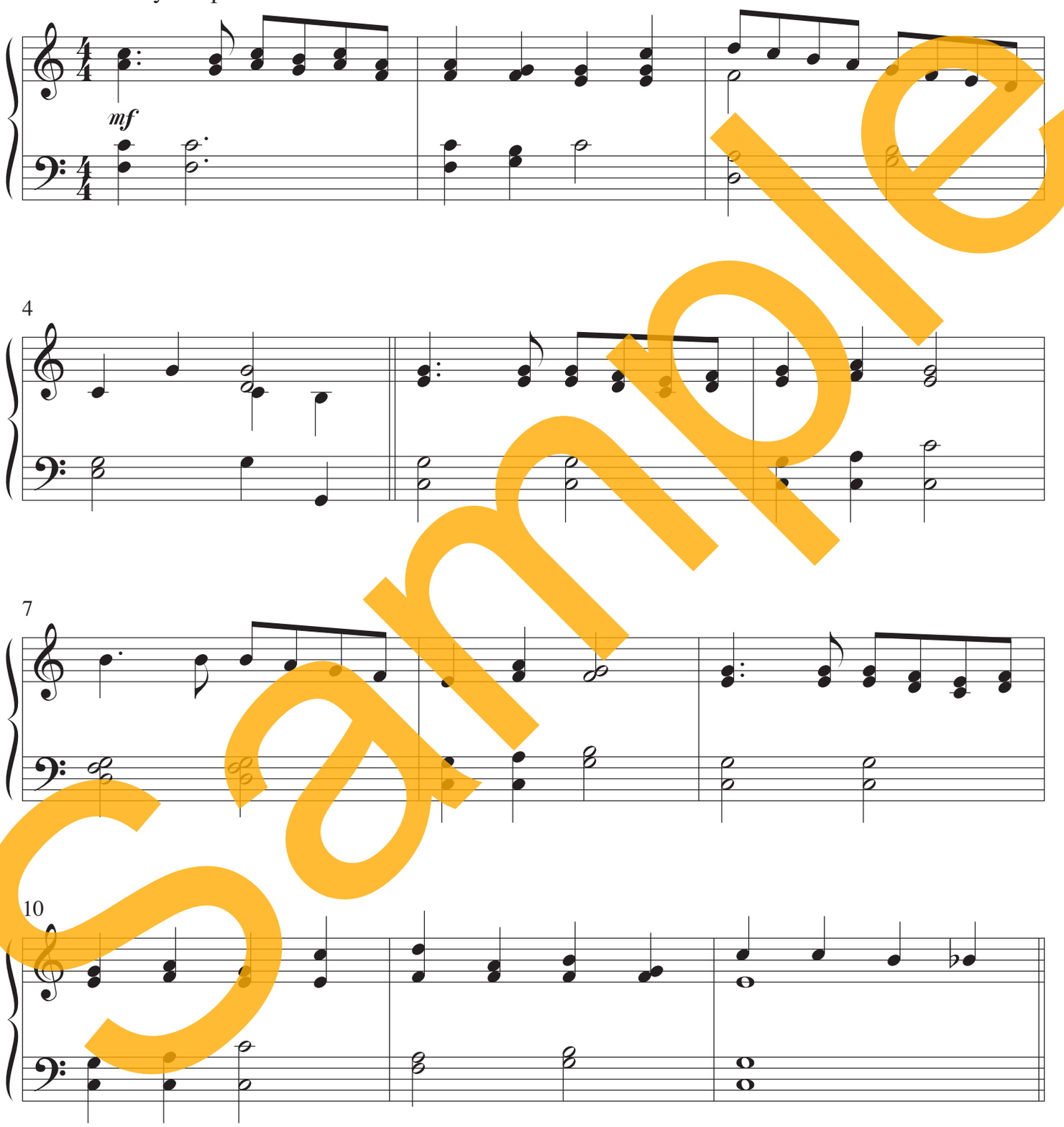
Steady tempo ♩ = ca. 104



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Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine

PHOEBE P. KNAPP
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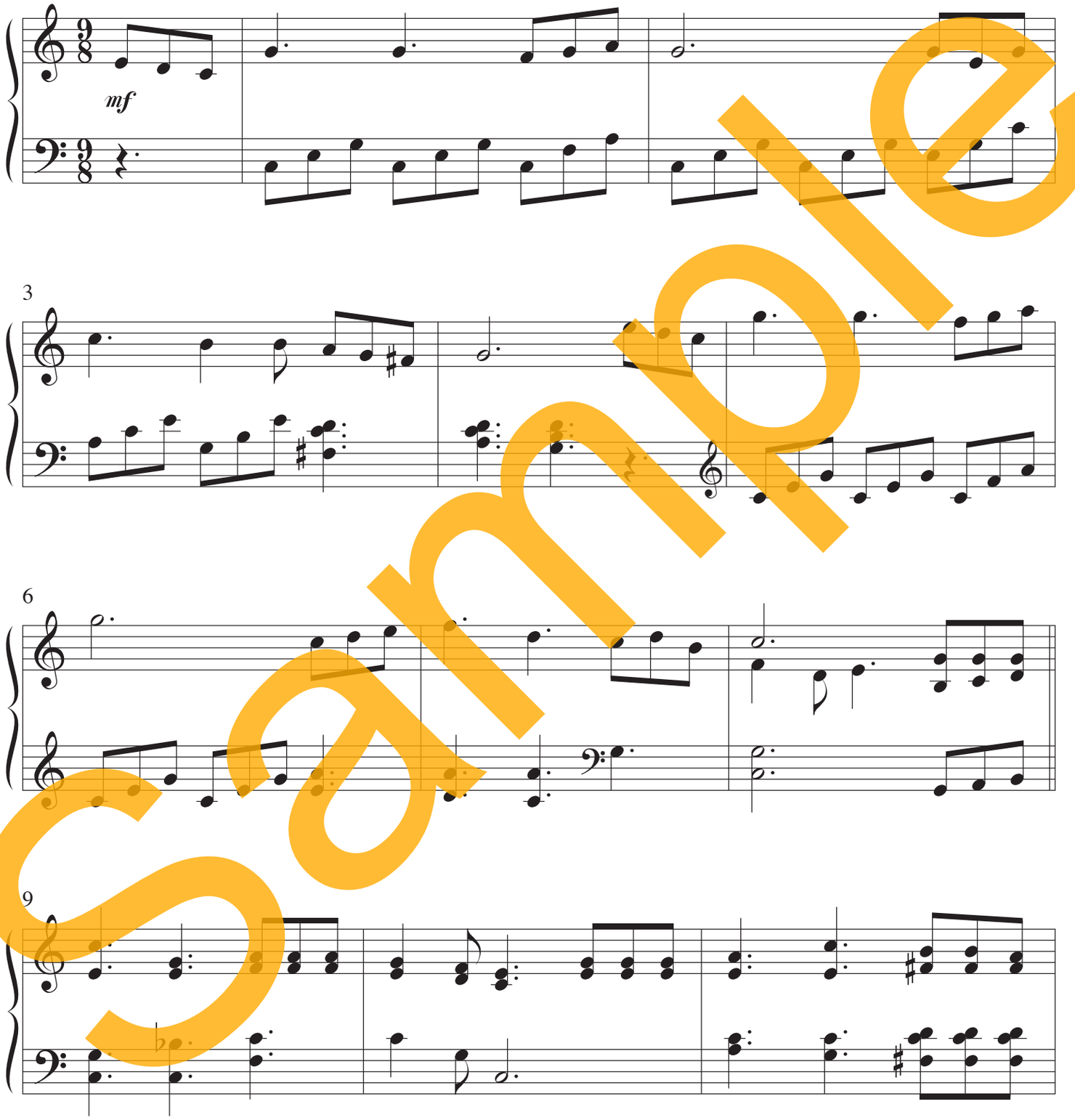

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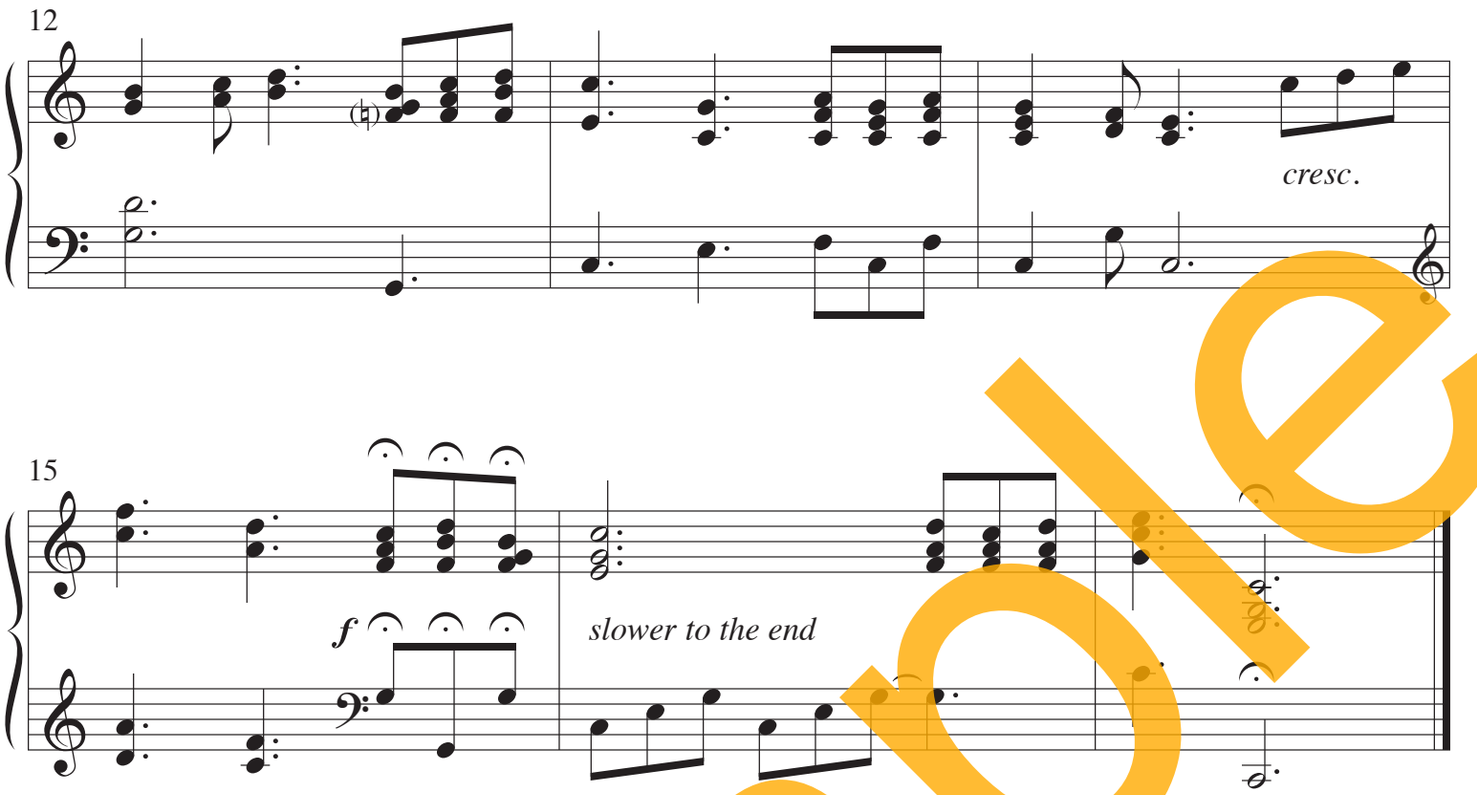

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Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

WILLIAM MOORE
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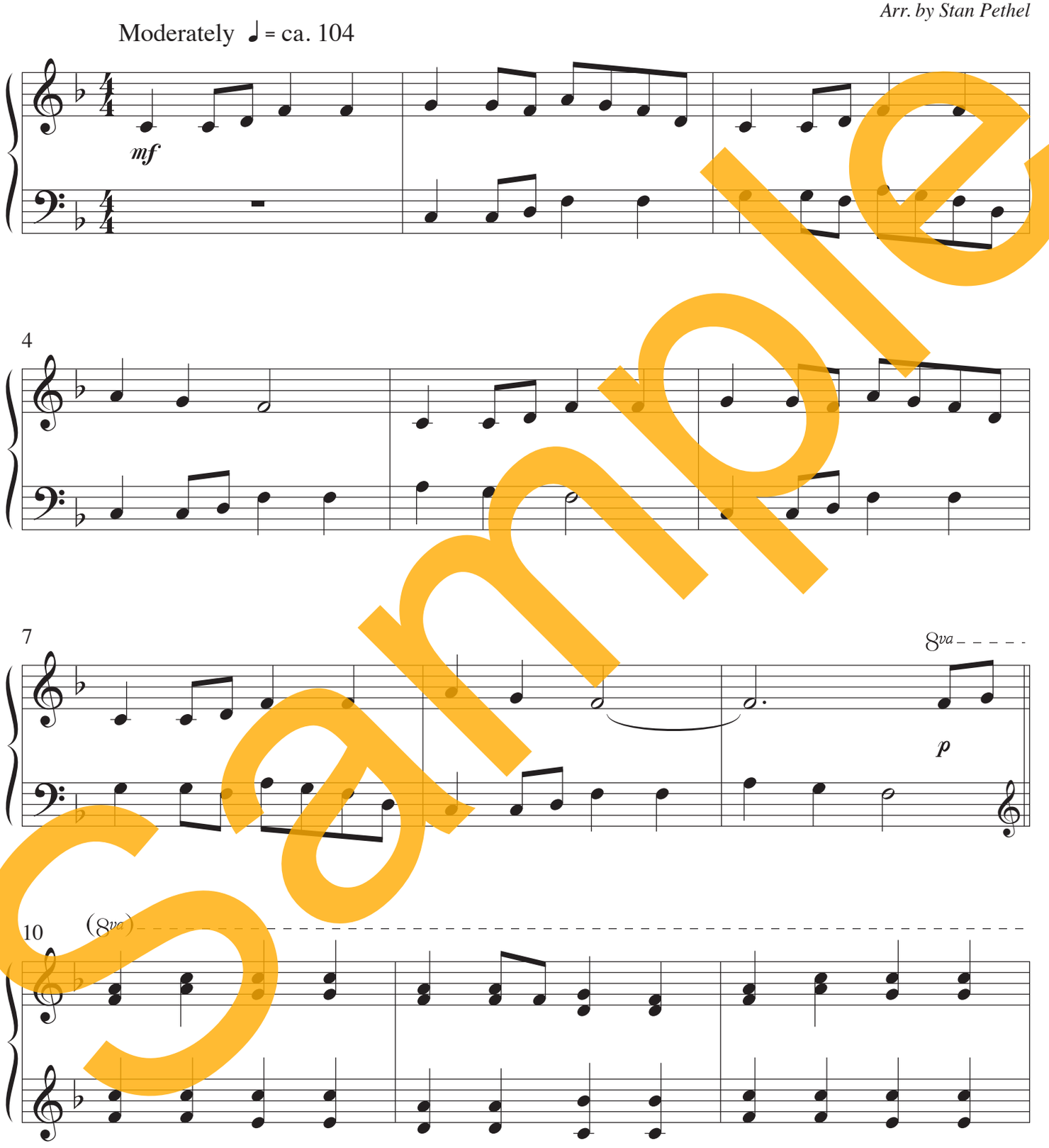

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Down at the Cross

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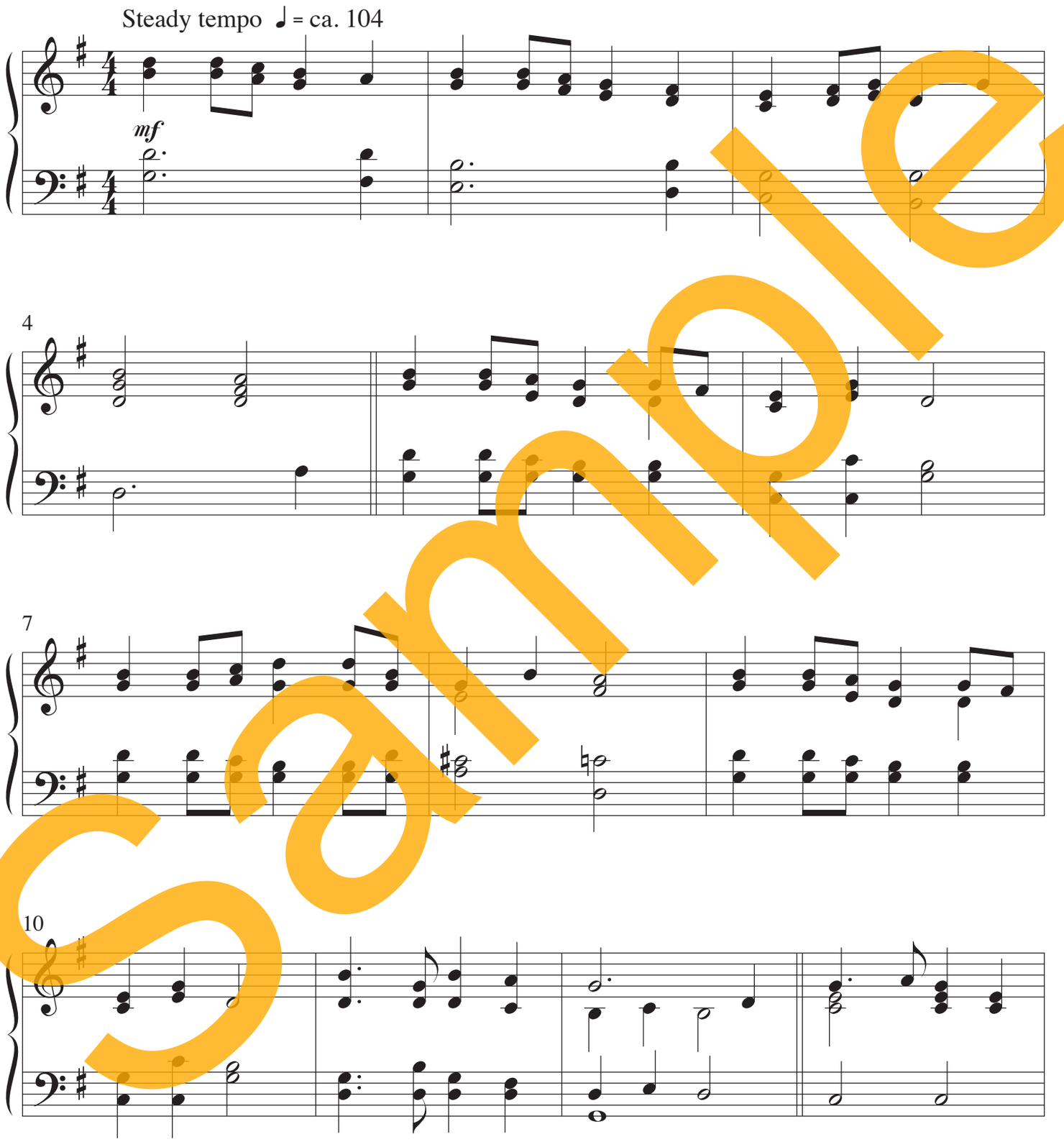

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He Keeps Me Singing

LUTHER B. BRIDGERS
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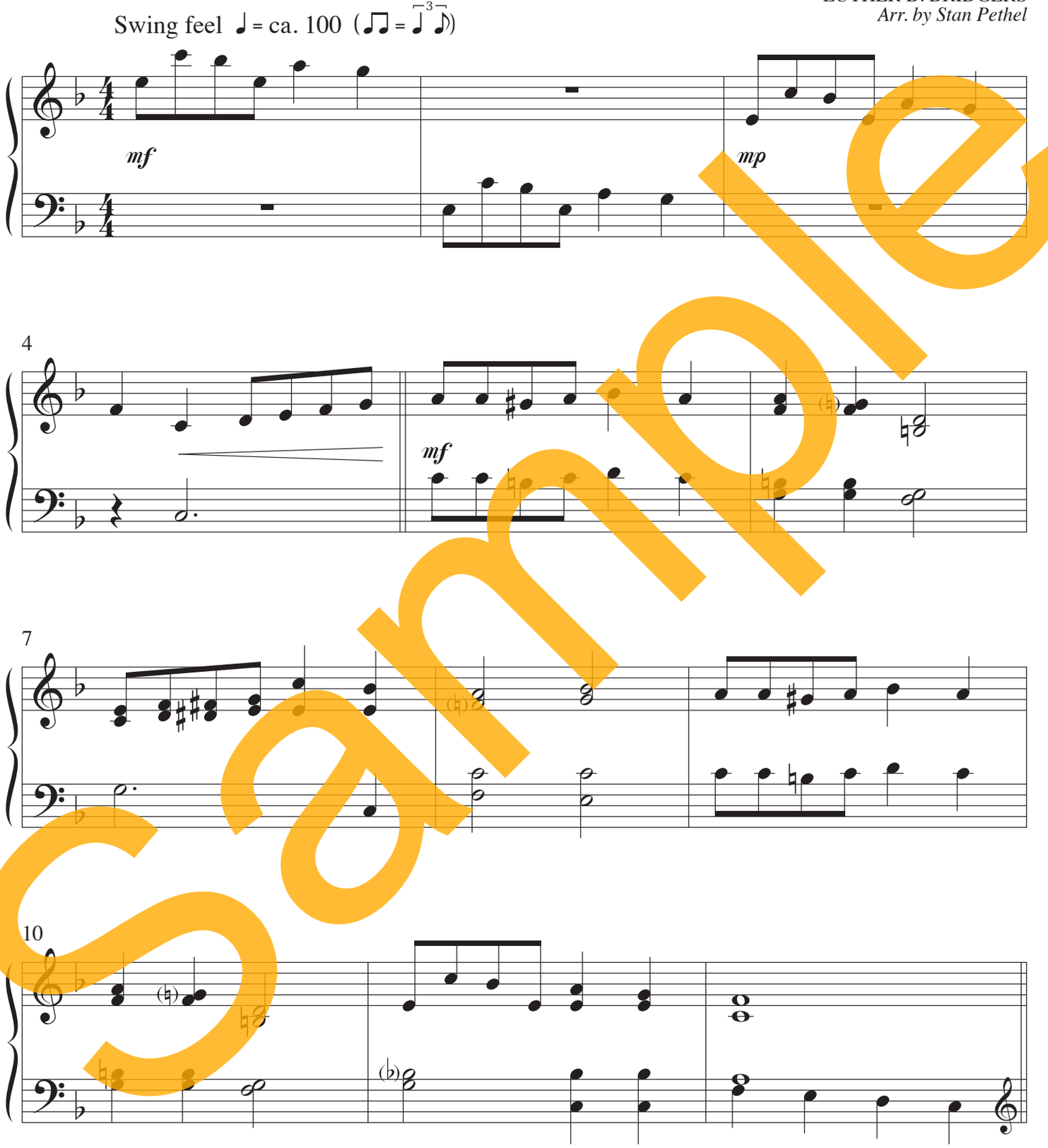

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The Old Rugged Cross

GEORGE BENNARD
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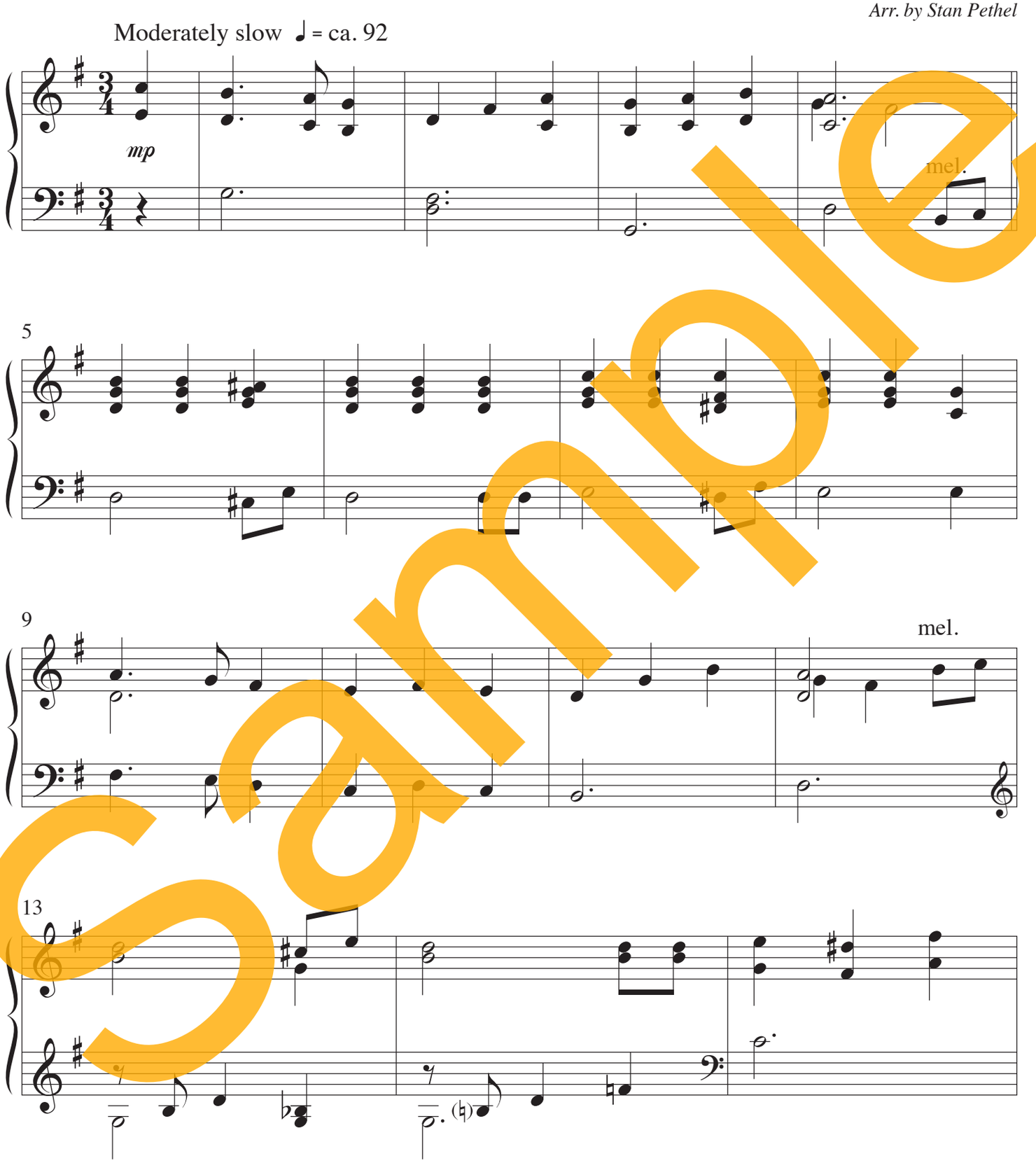

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Amazing Grace

Moderately ♩ = ca. 96

Virginia Harmony, 1831
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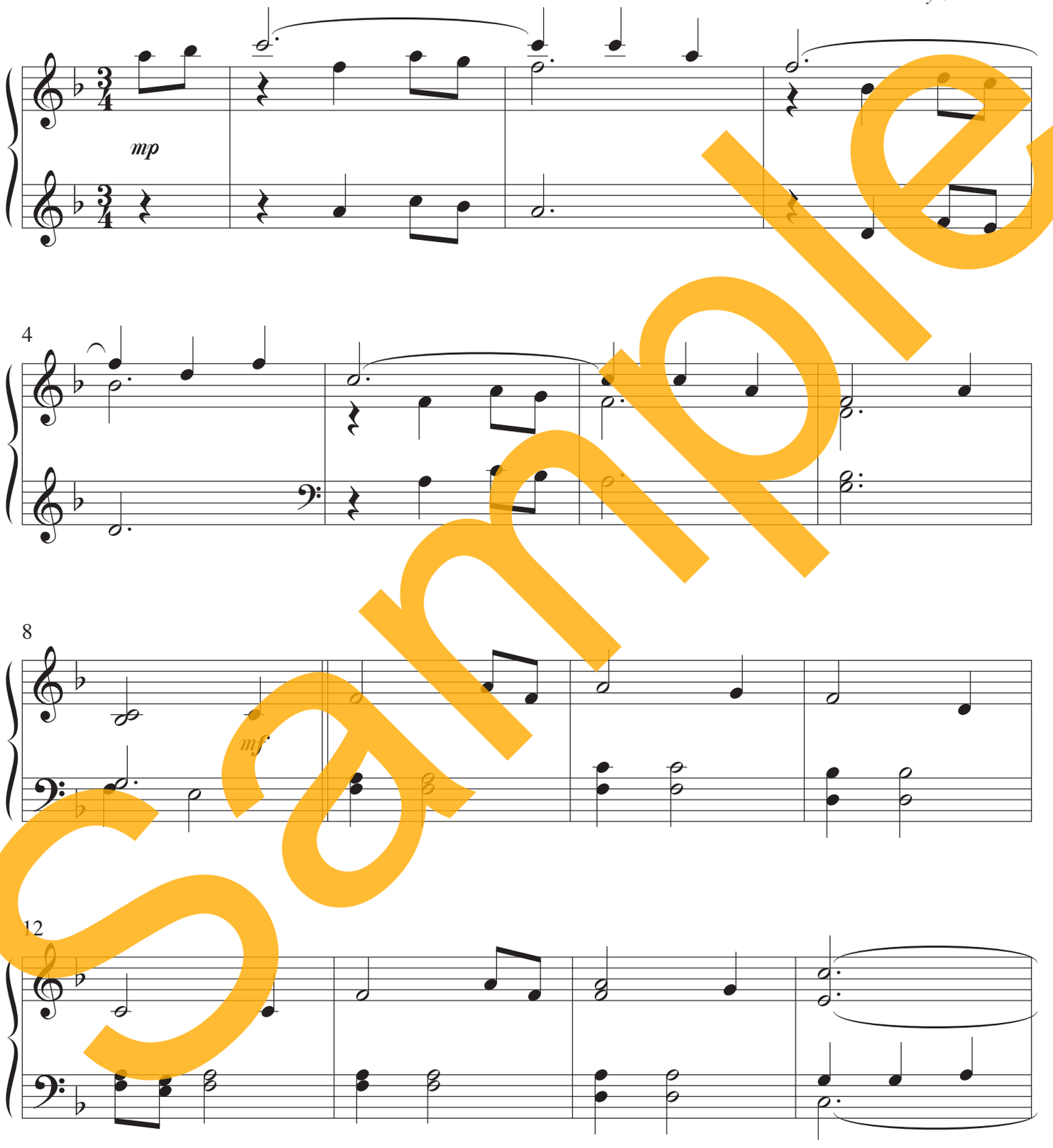

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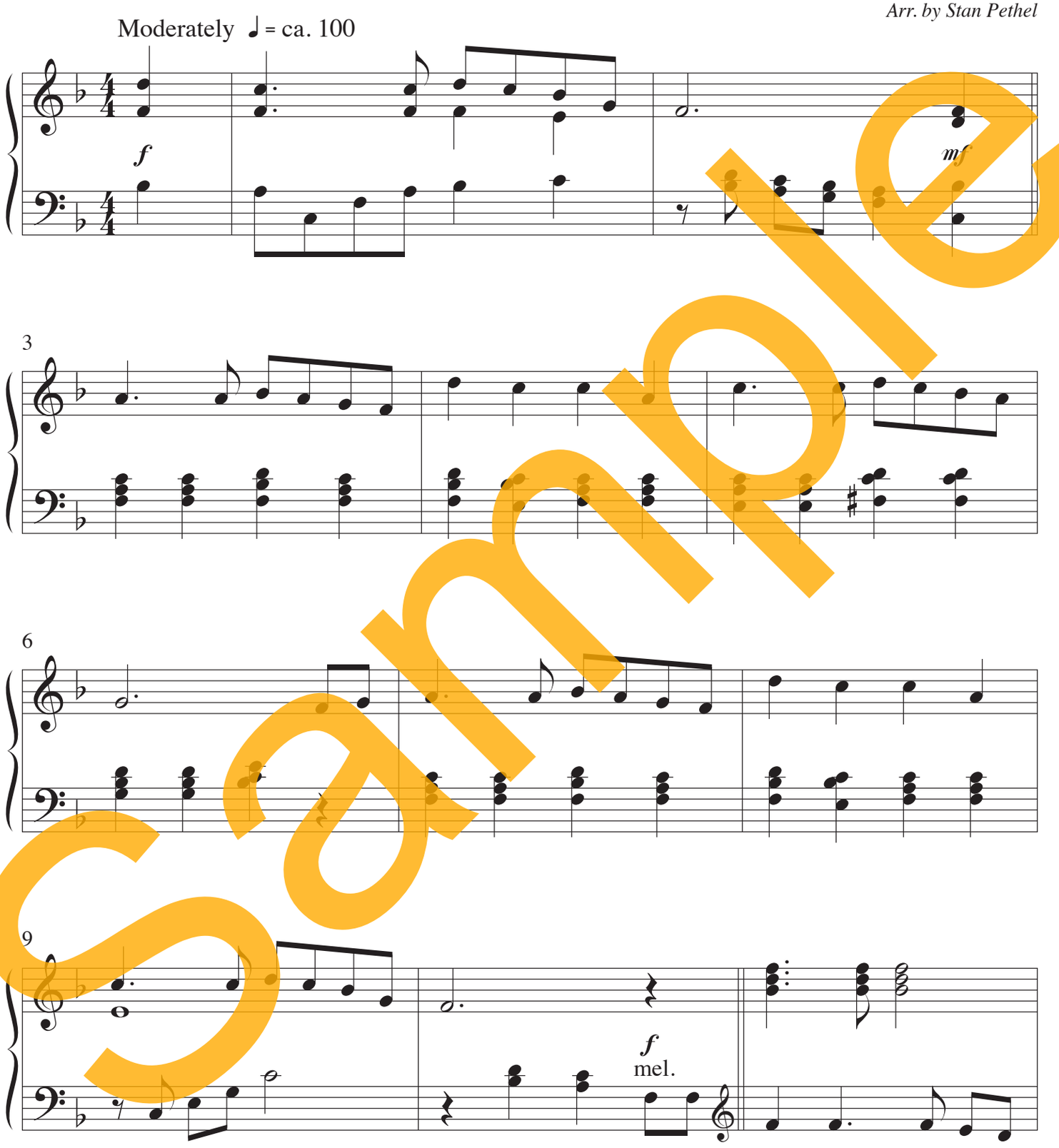

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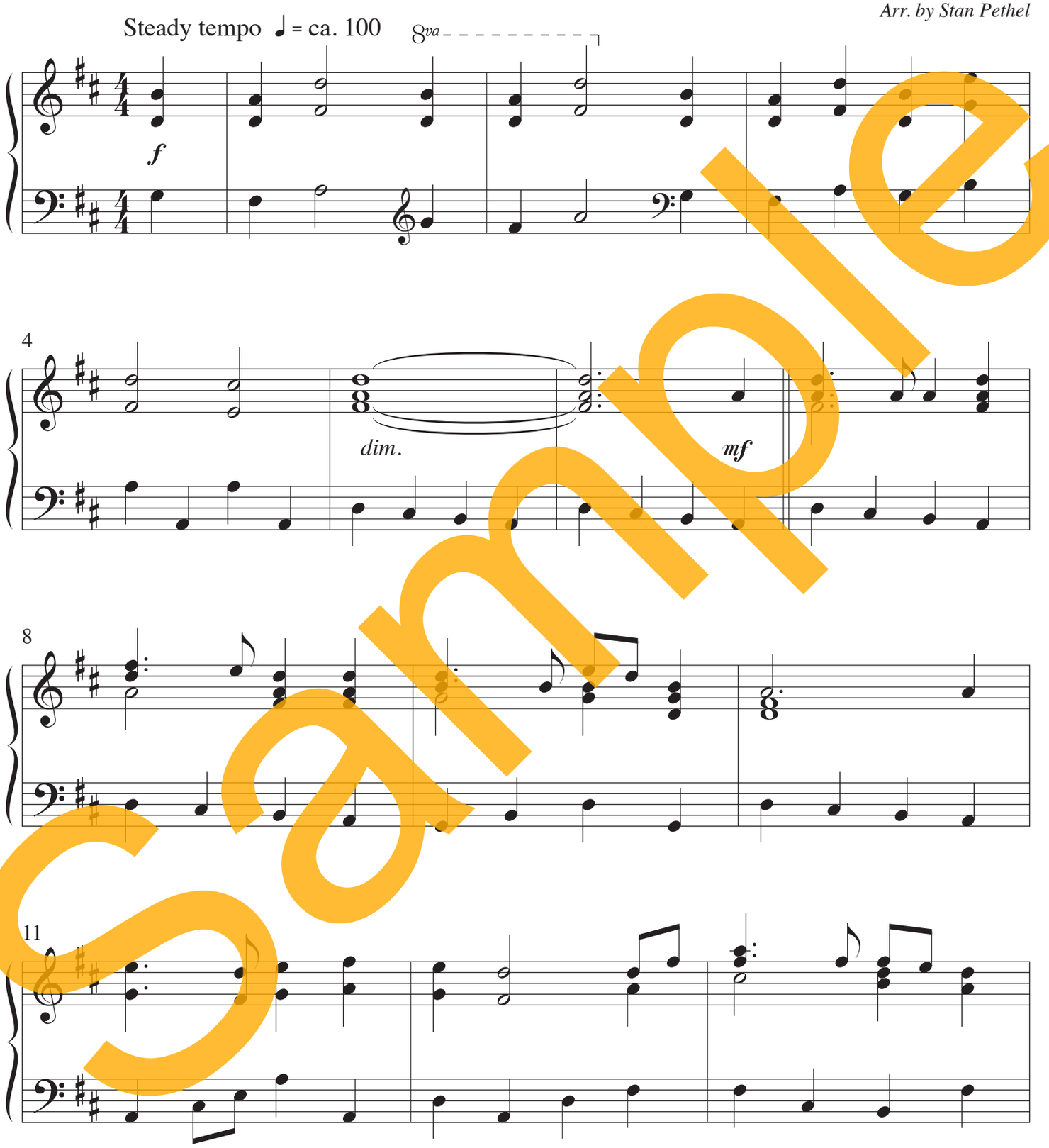

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In the Garden

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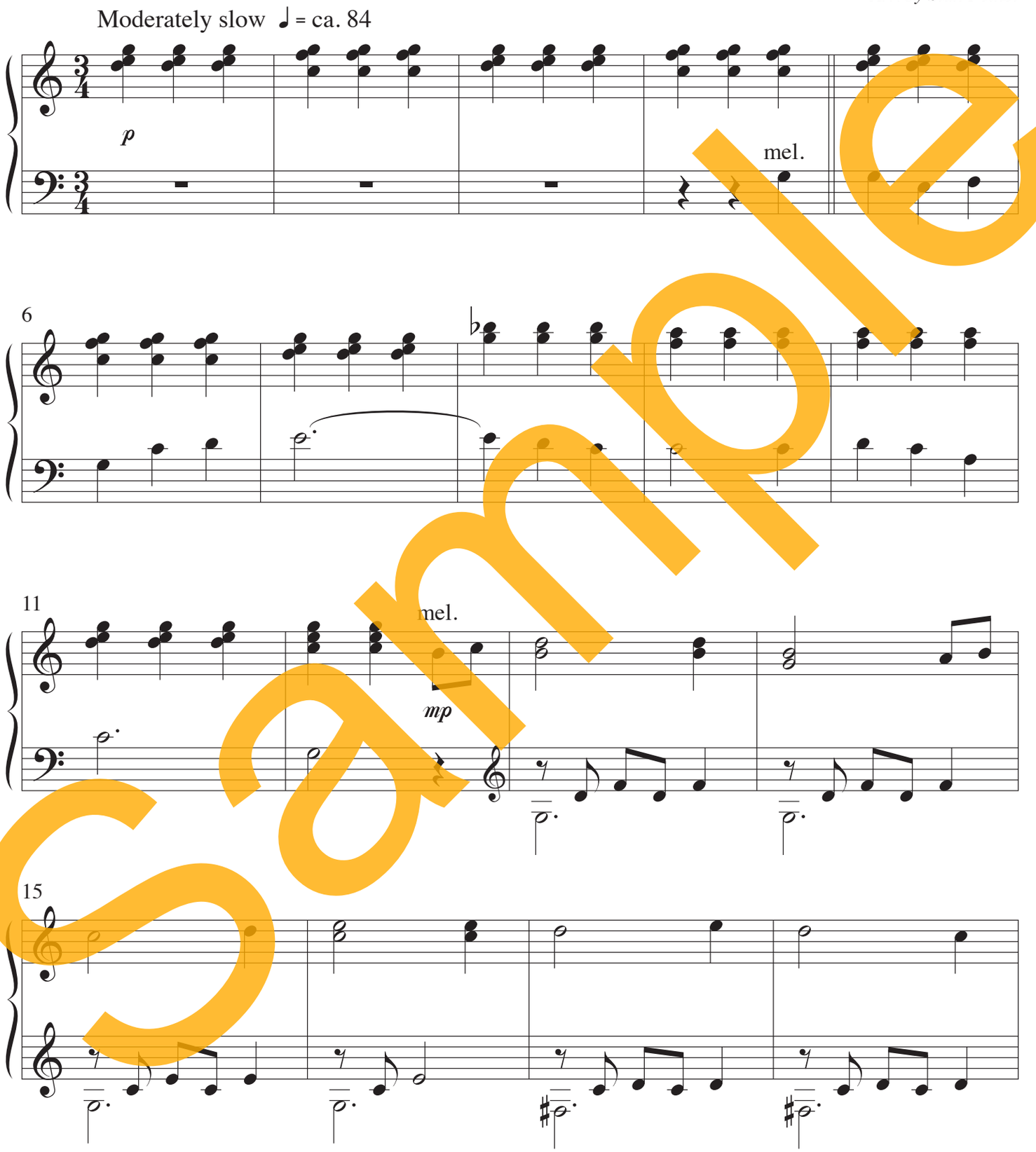

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Jesus Loves Me

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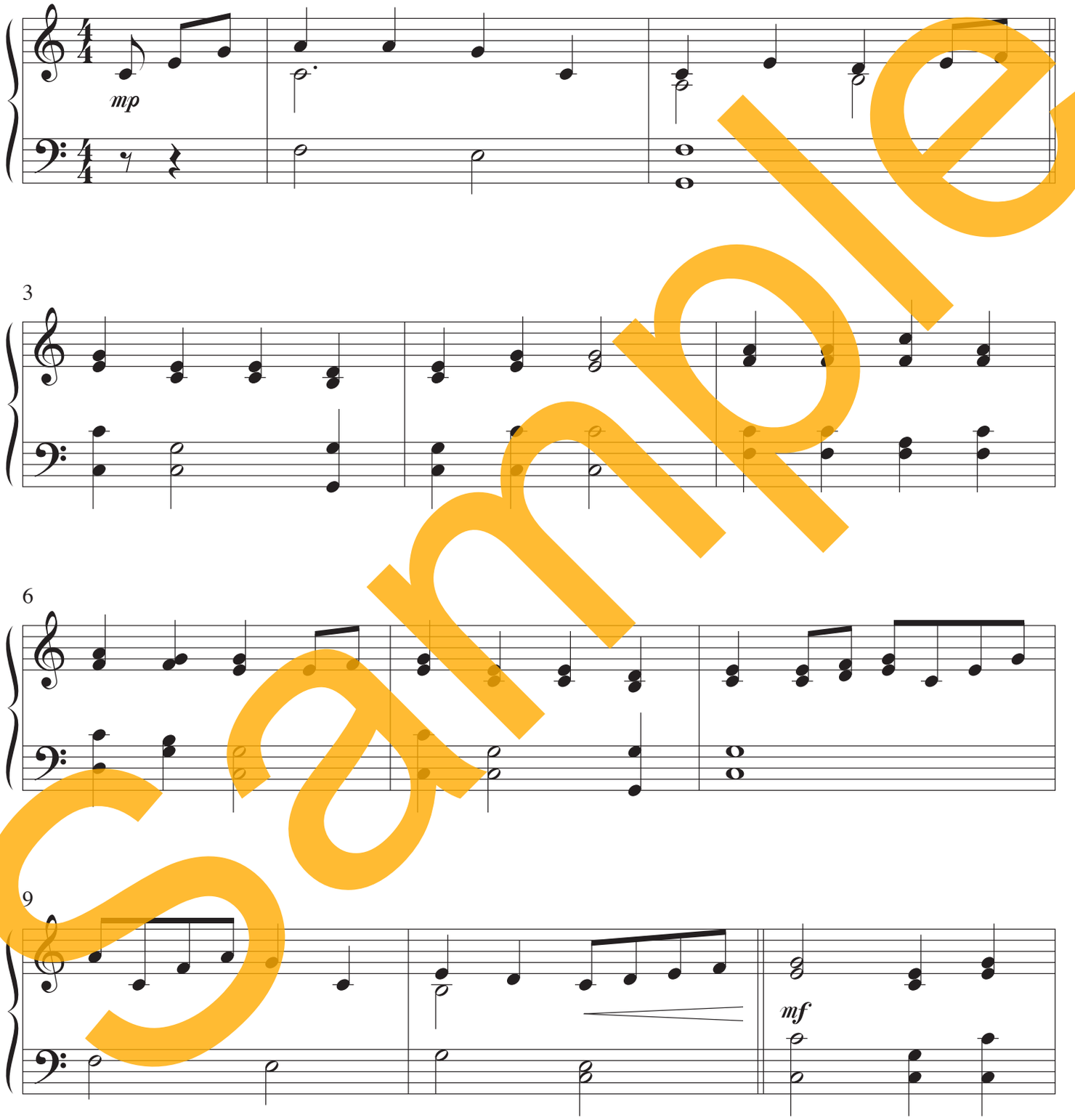
Expressively ♩ = ca. 92



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Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

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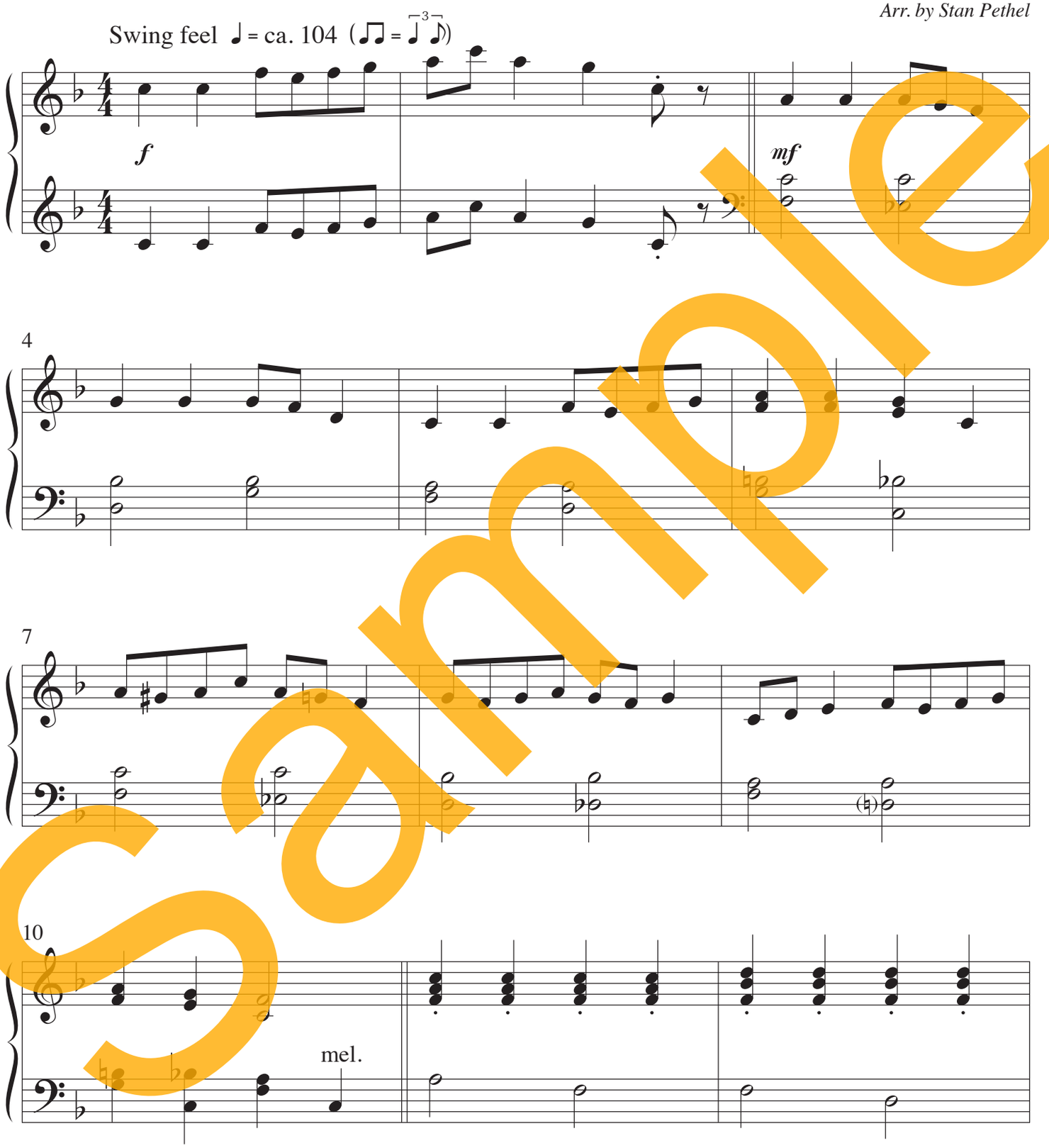

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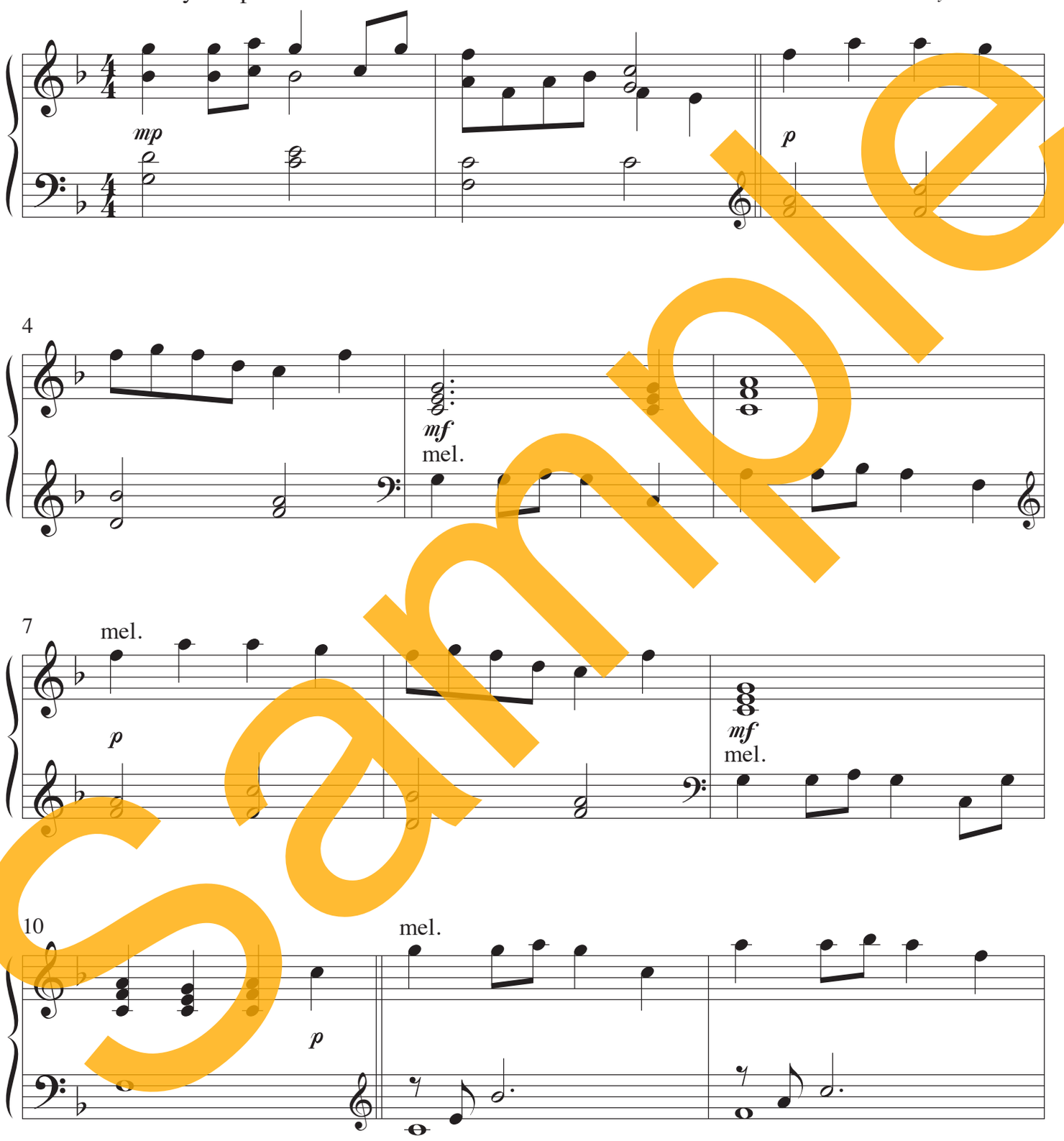

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Revive Us Again

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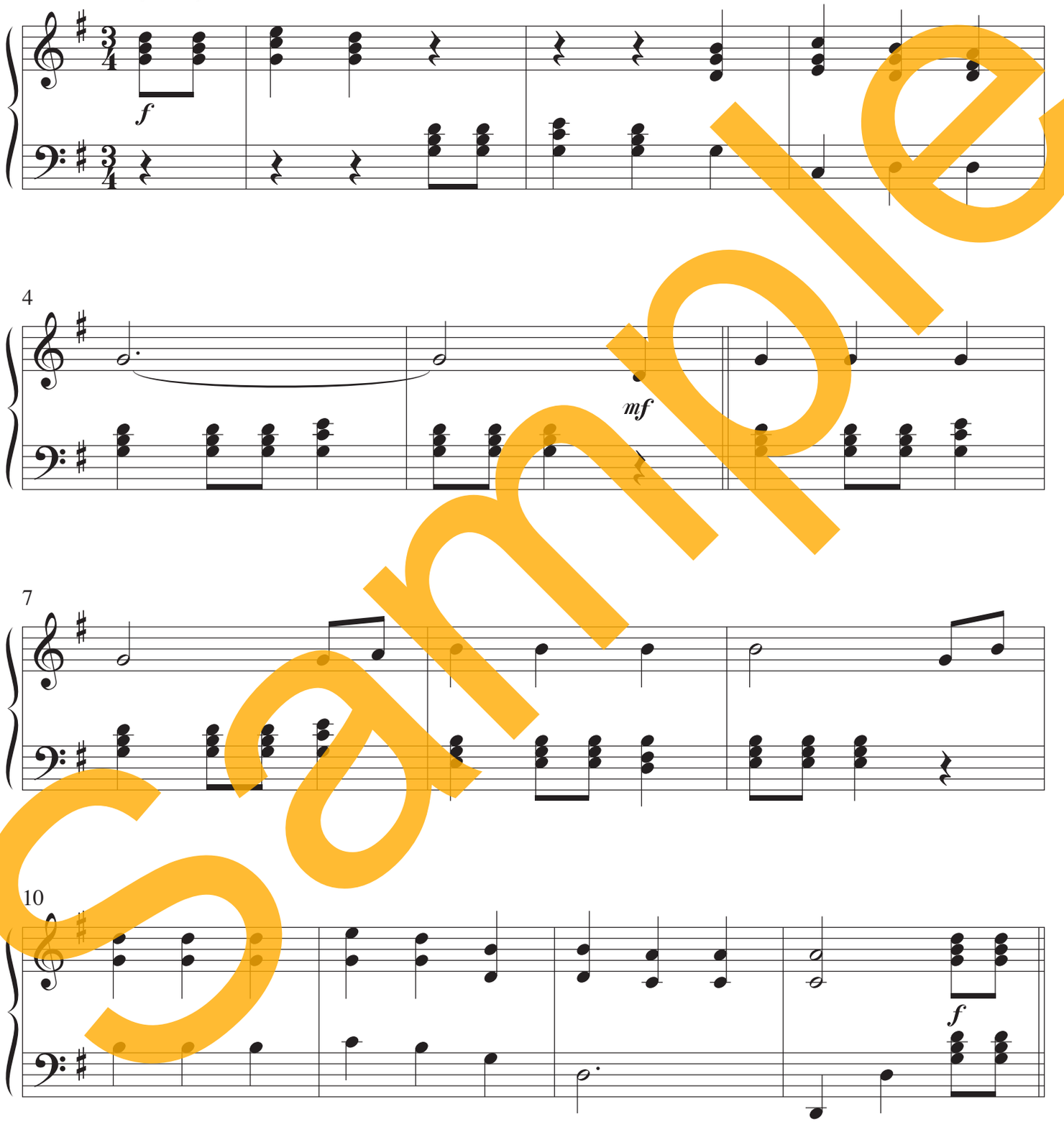
Joyously ♩ = ca. 104



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There's a Land That Is Fairer Than Day

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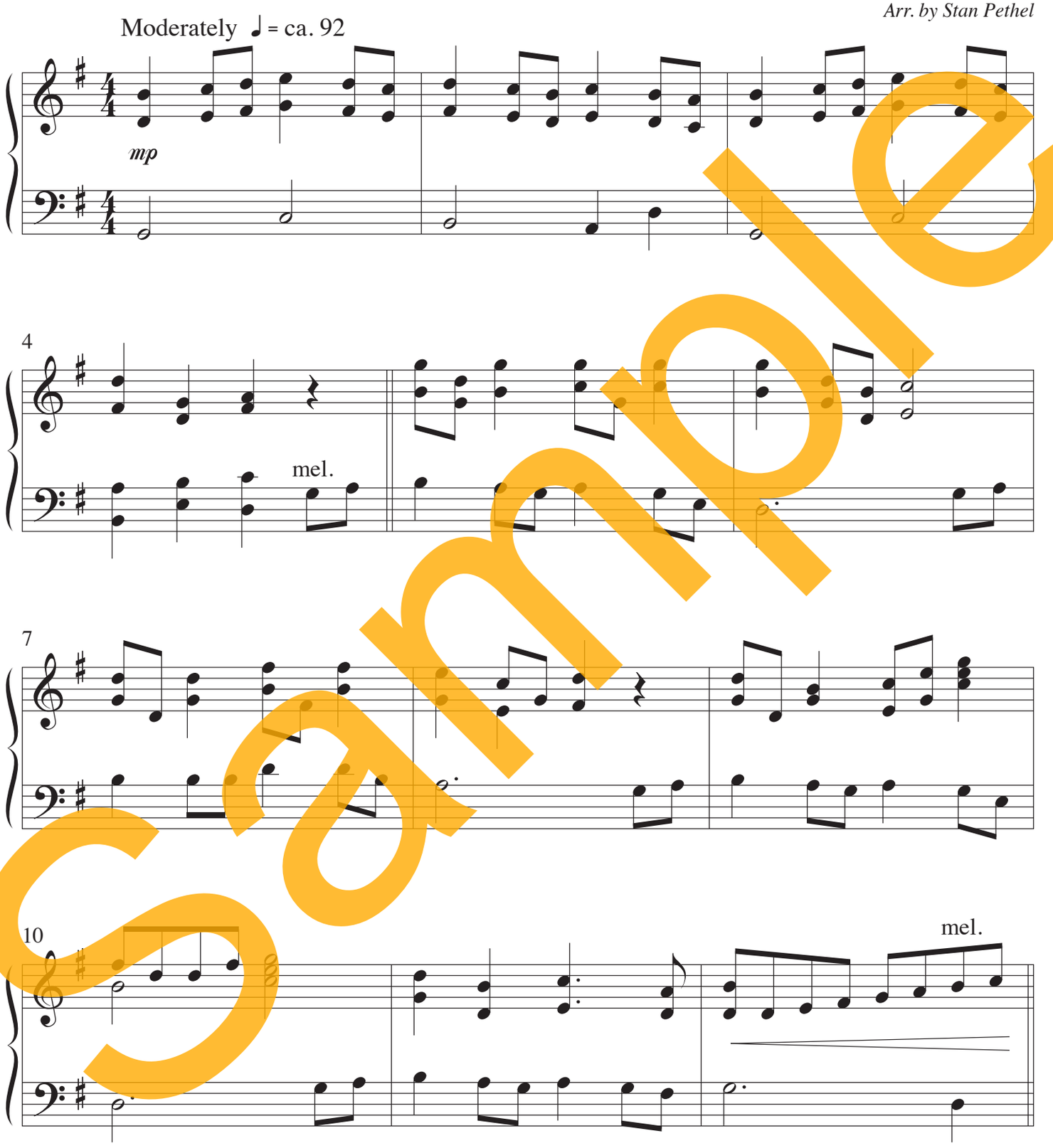

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Standing on the Promises

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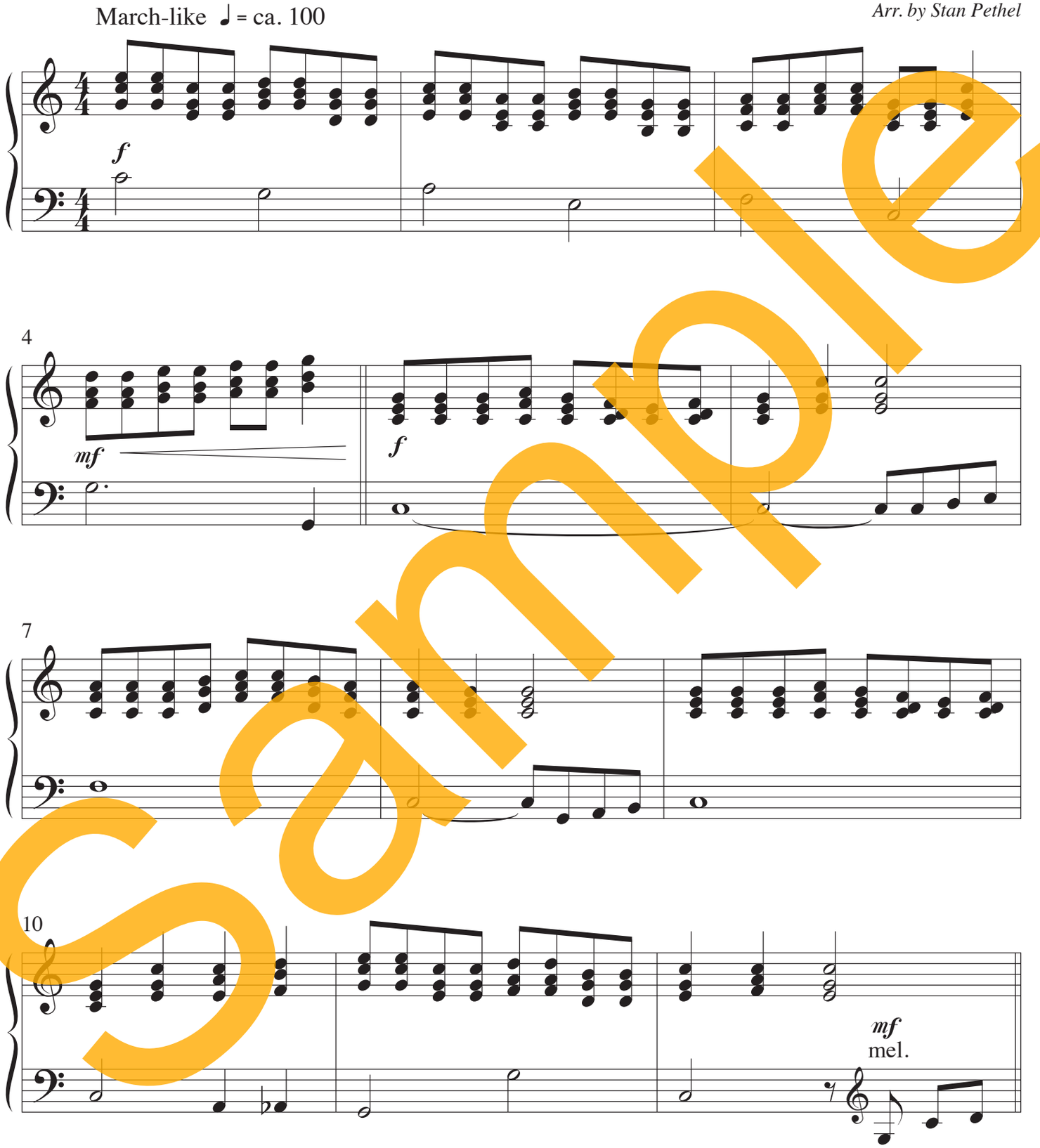

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I Am So Glad

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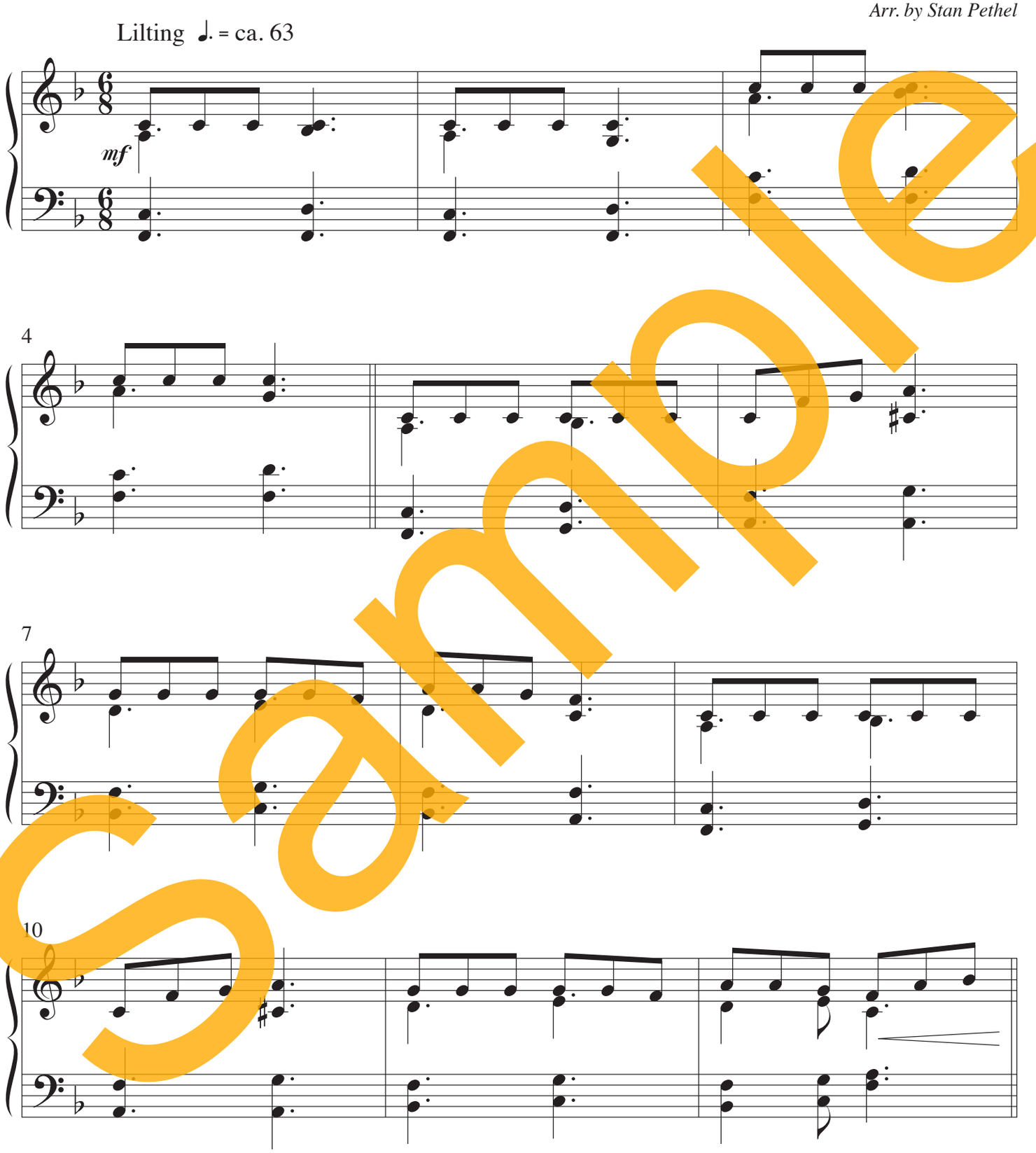

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I Am Resolved

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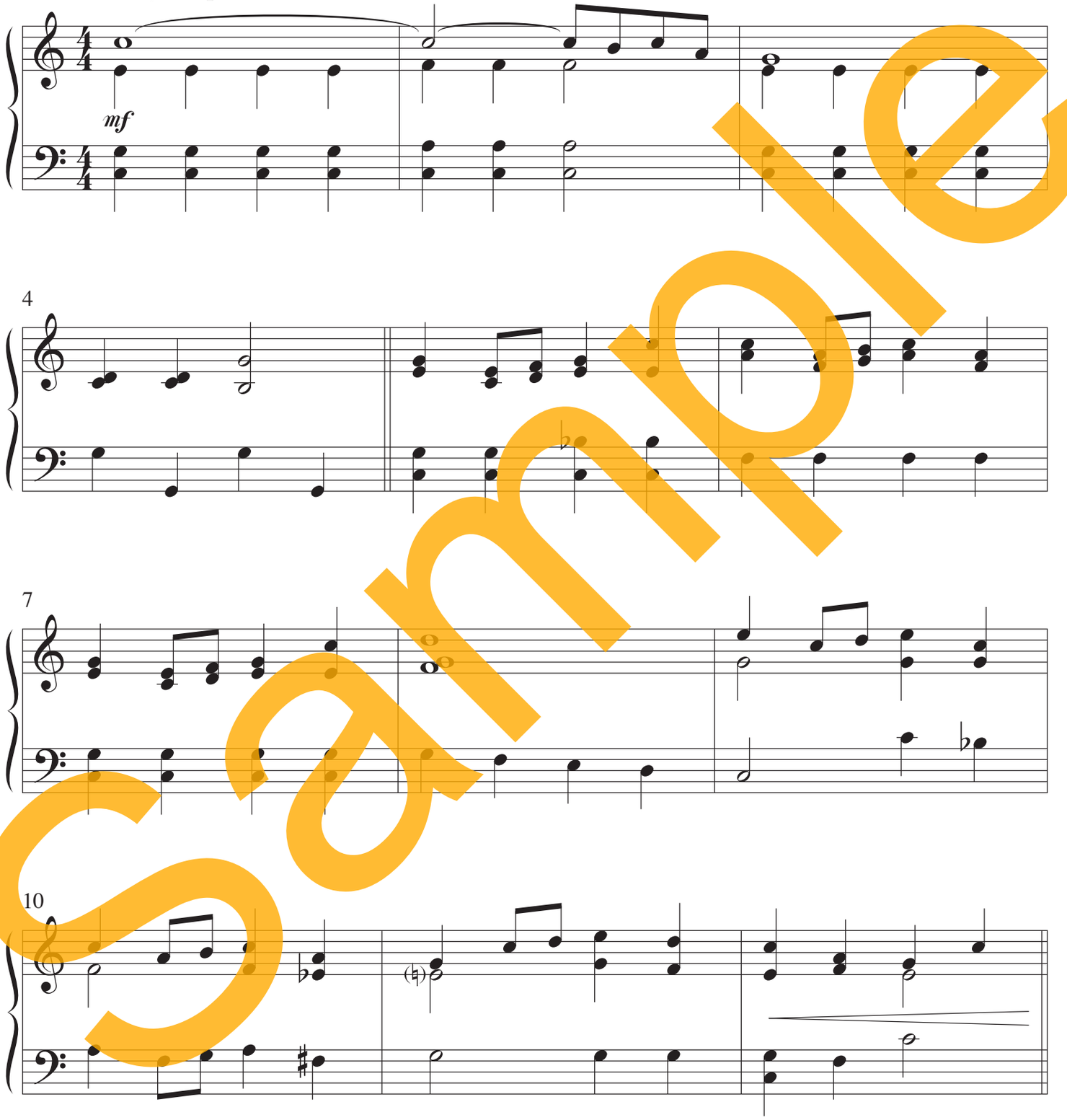

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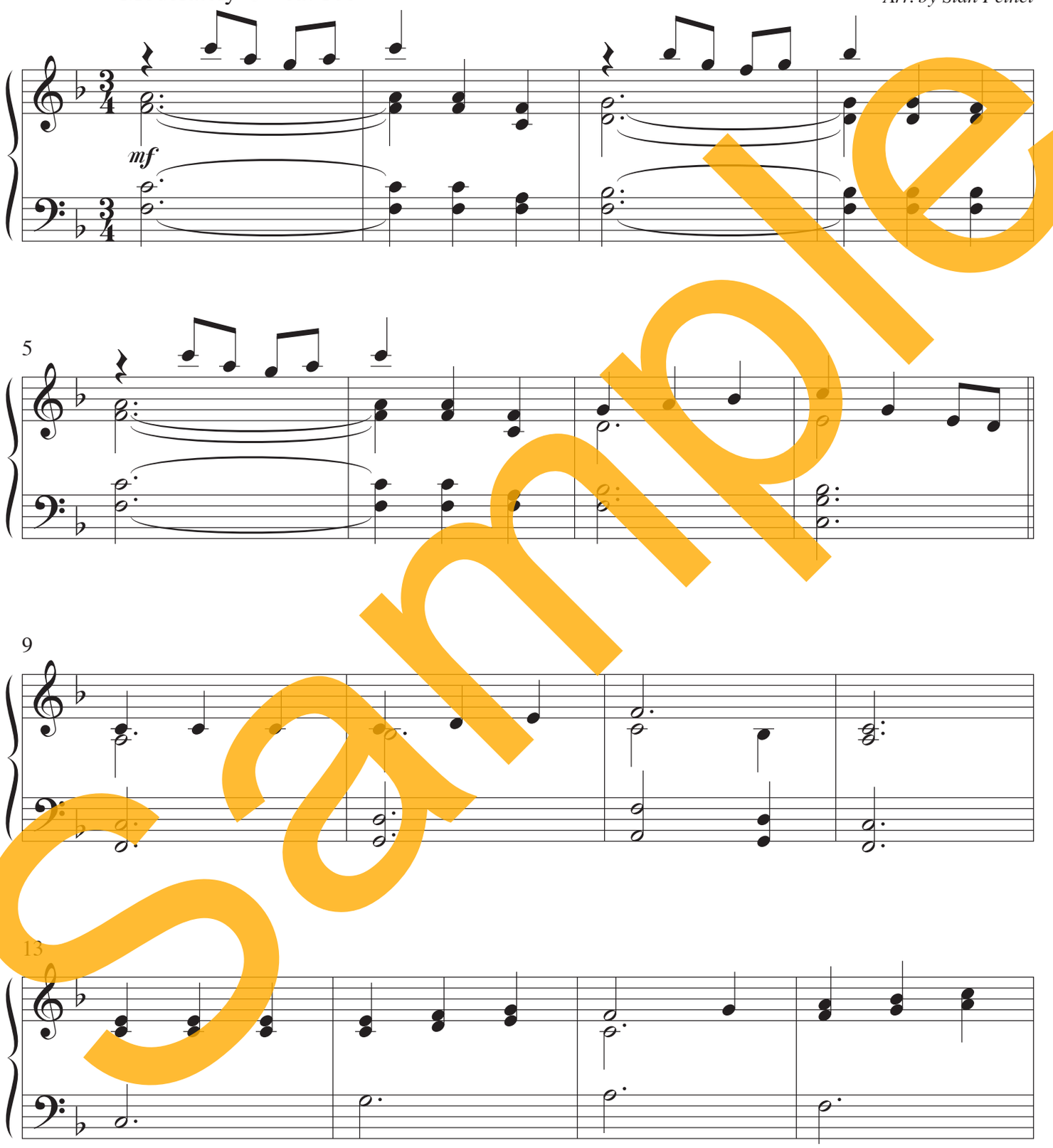

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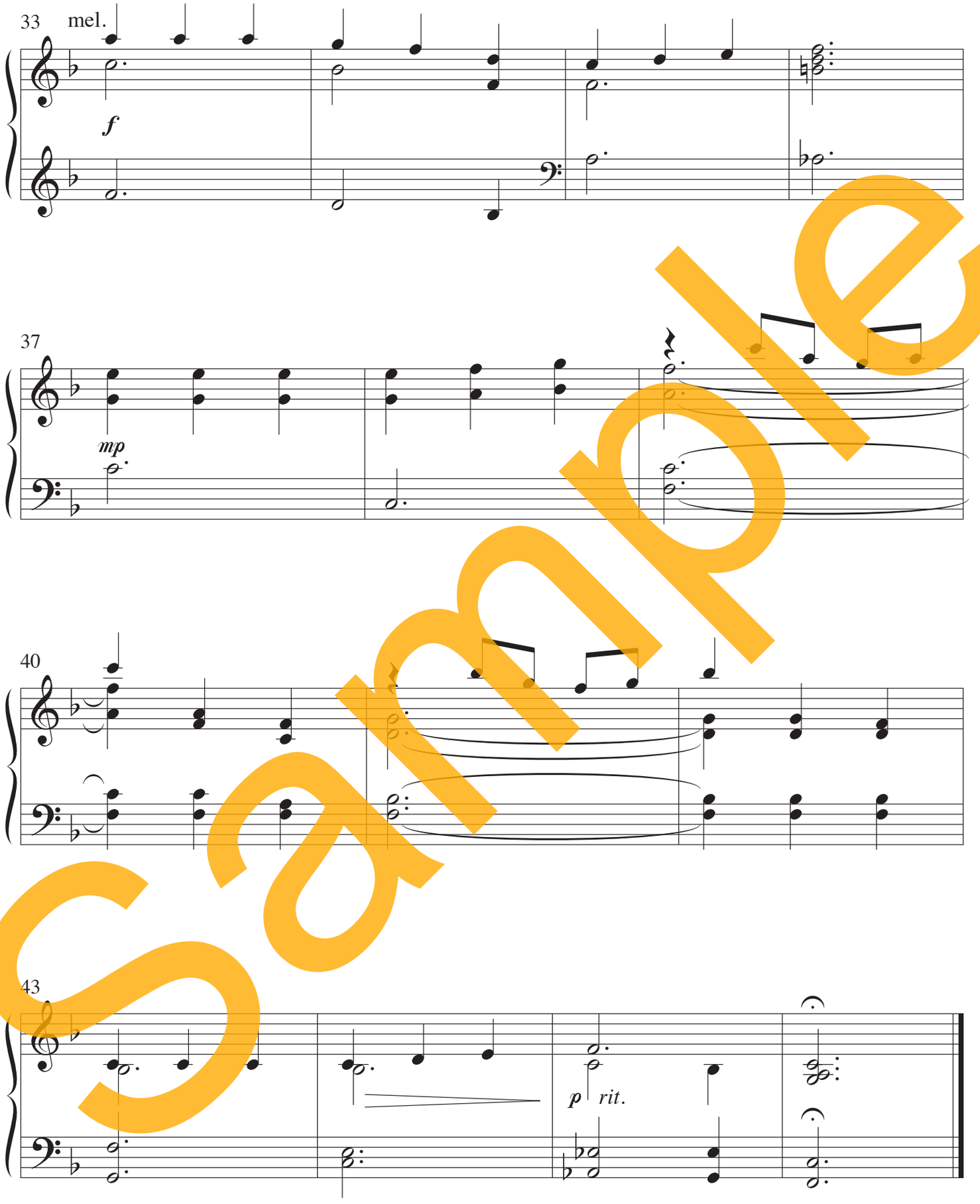

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