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## Level Descriptions

**Level 1:** Easy to moderately easy rhythmically and in technical demands; hands mostly in the middle of the keyboard

**Level 2:** Intermediate to moderate difficulty with a variety of musical styles; expanded range and more rhythmically demanding

**Level 3:** Advanced musically and in technical demands; use of full keyboard, scale and arpeggio passages, and stylistically demanding

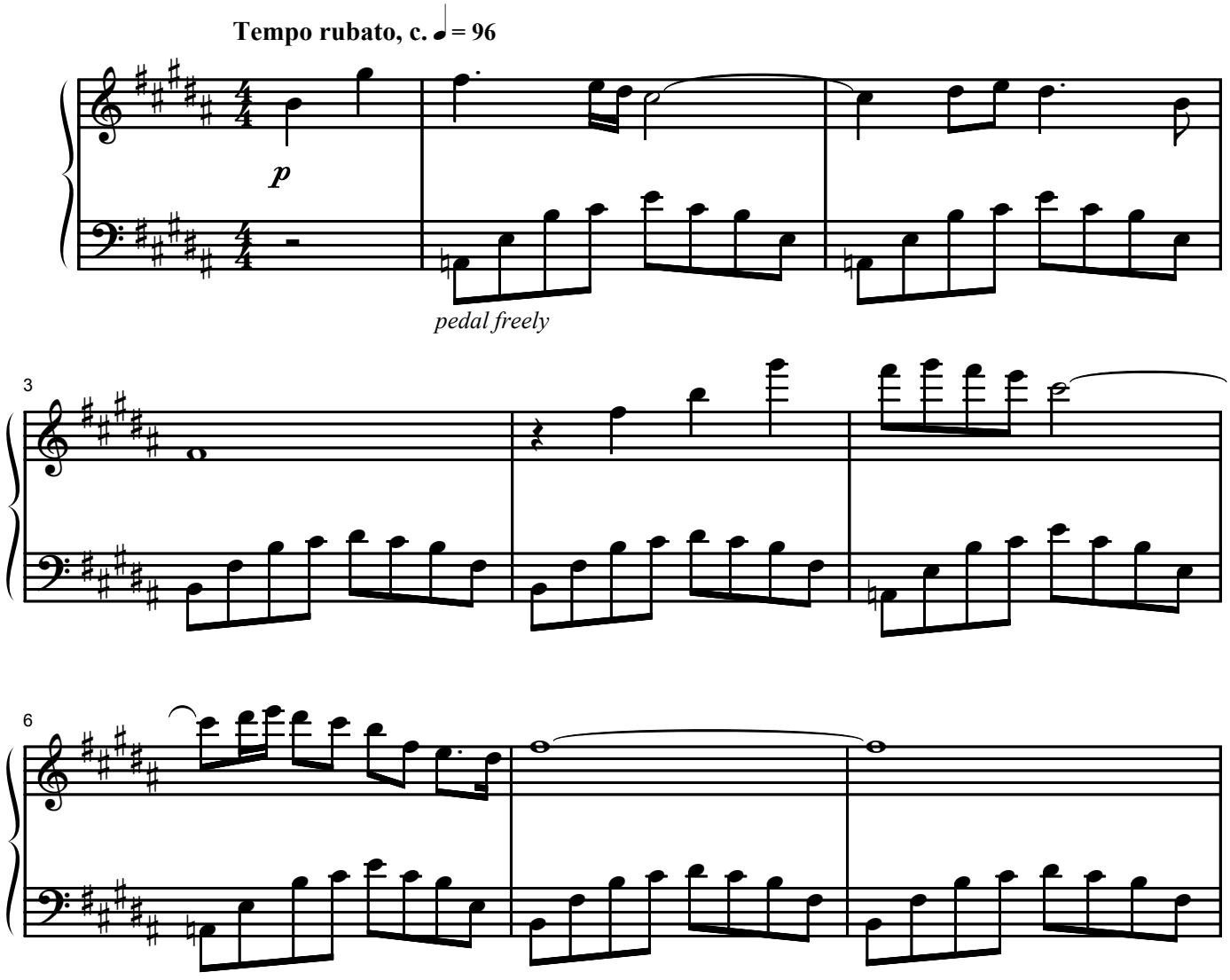
# Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

*Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming*
*From tender stem hath sprung!*
*Of Jesse's lineage coming,*
*As men of old have sung.*
*It came, a flow'ret bright,*
*Amid the cold of winter,*
*When half-spent was the night.*

*Isaiah 'twas foretold it,*
*The Rose I have in mind;*
*With Mary we behold it,*
*The Virgin Mother kind.*
*To show God's love aright,*
*She bore to men a Savior*
*When half-spent was the night.*

~Traditional German~
Translation: Theodore Baker, 1894

Larry Shackley
*Tune:* **ES IST EIN' ROS' ENTSPRUNGEN**
*Kölner Gesangbuch,* 1599

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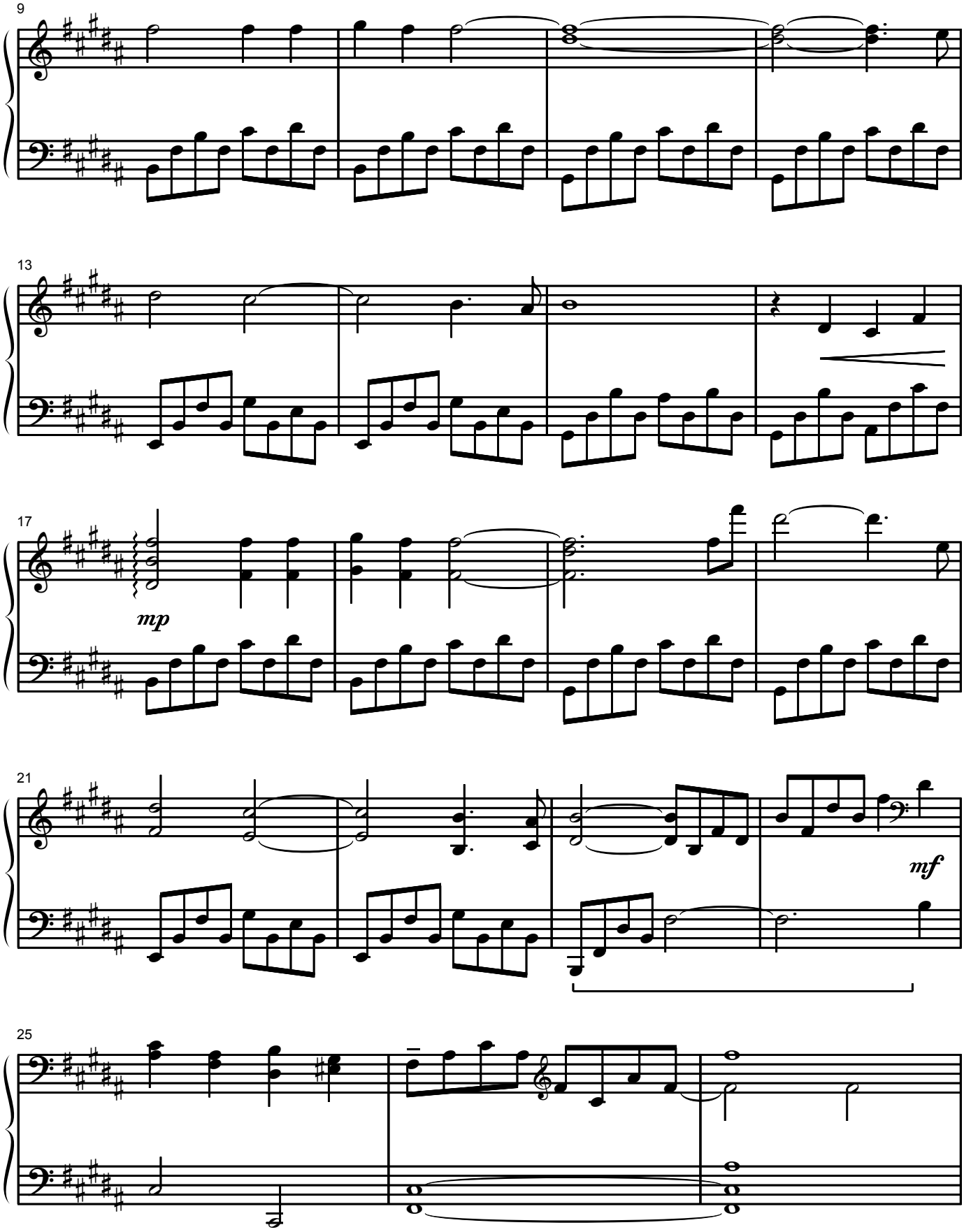
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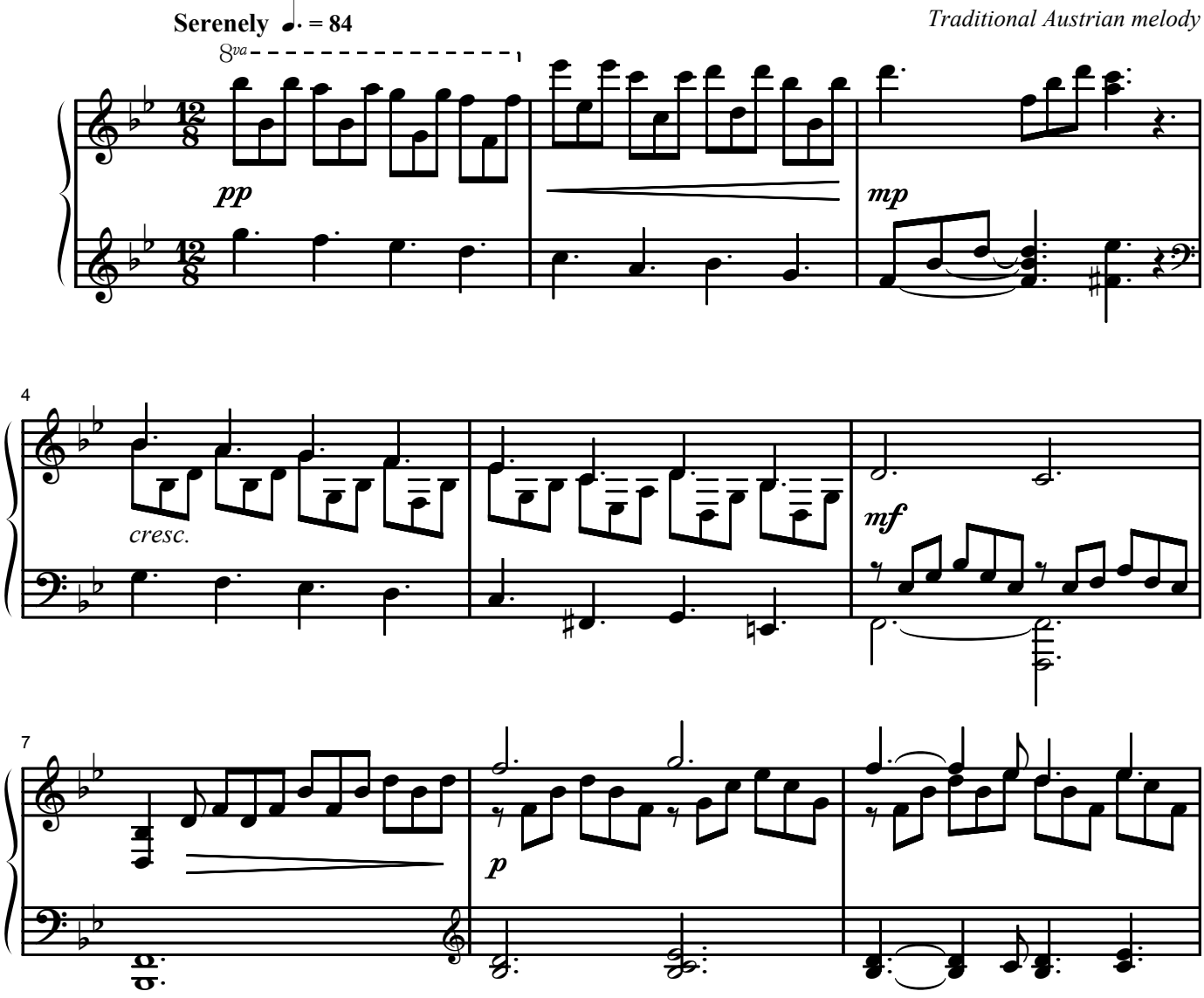
# O How Joyfully (O Sanctissima)/
# Still, Still, Still

*O how joyfully, O how blessedly,*
*Comes the glory of Christmastime!*

*To a world so lost in sin,*
*Christ the Savior enters in:*
*Praise Him, all ye Christians,*
*praise Him evermore!*
~Johannes Falk, 1816~

*Still, still, still,*
*He sleeps this night so chill!*
*The Virgin's tender arms enfolding,*
*Warm and safe the Child are holding,*
*Still, still, still,*
*He sleeps this night so chill.*
~Traditional Austrian~

Larry Shackley
*Tune:* **O DU FRÖLICHE**
*Traditional Austrian melody*

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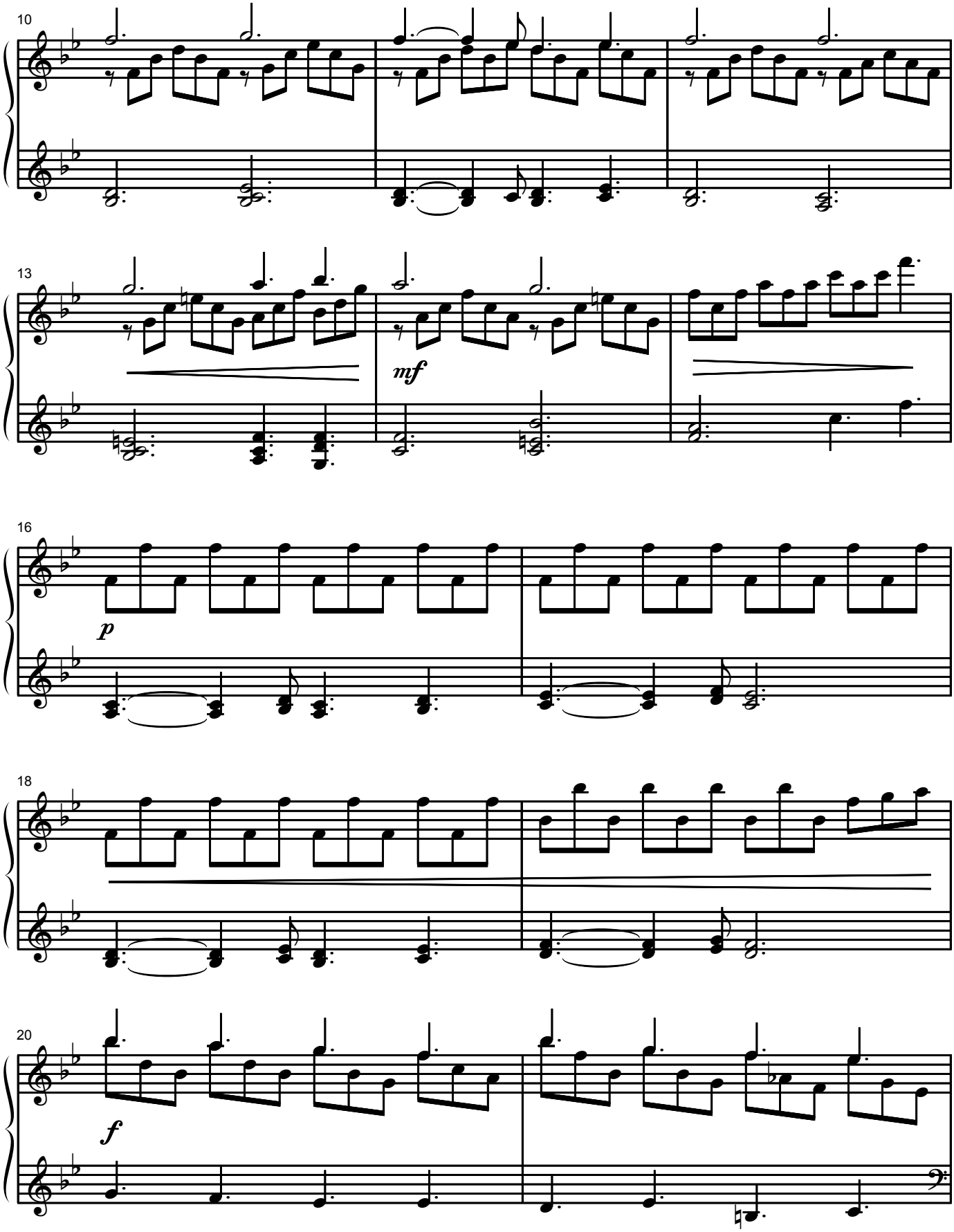
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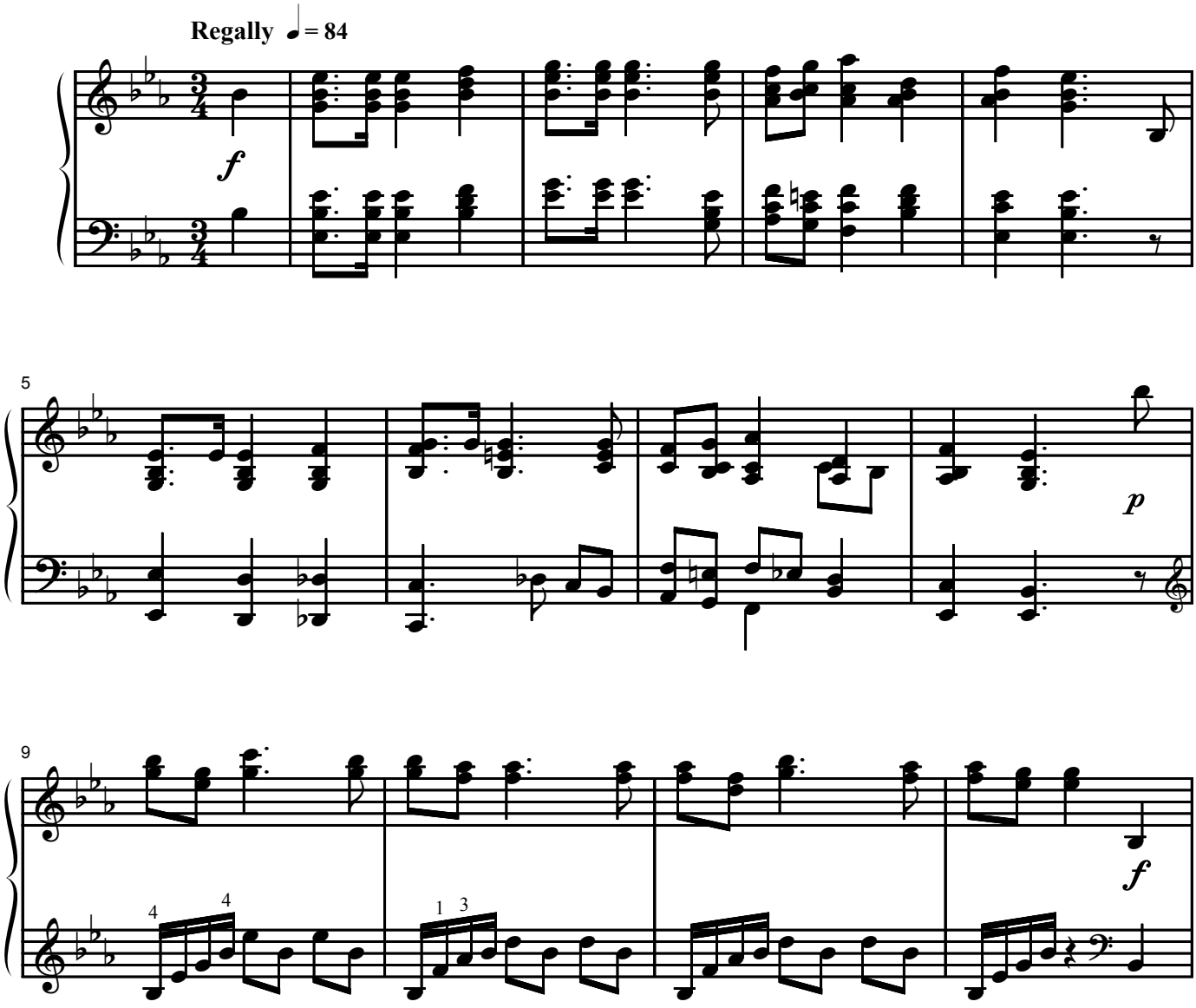
# Christmas Tree Medley

*O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree,*
*With faithful leaves unchanging;*
*Not only green in summer's heat,*
*But also winter's snow and sleet,*
*O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree,*
*With faithful leaves unchanging.*
~Traditional German~

*The Christmas tree,*
*with its candles gleaming,*
*A glow is kindling in all our hearts.*
*It speaks of God's pure*
*love-light streaming;*
*It brings us hope, and joy imparts.*
~Traditional German~

Larry Shackley
*Traditional German Carols*

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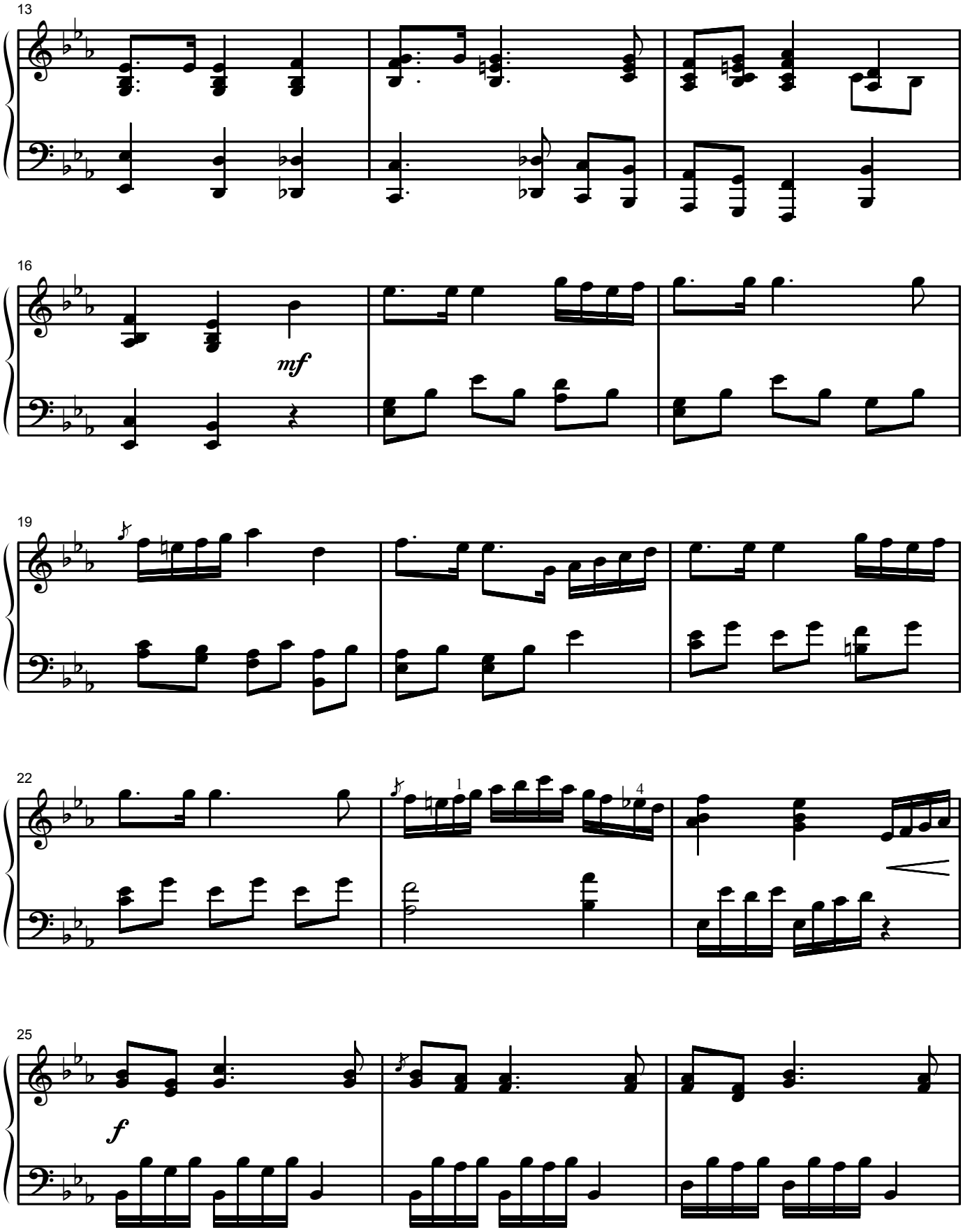
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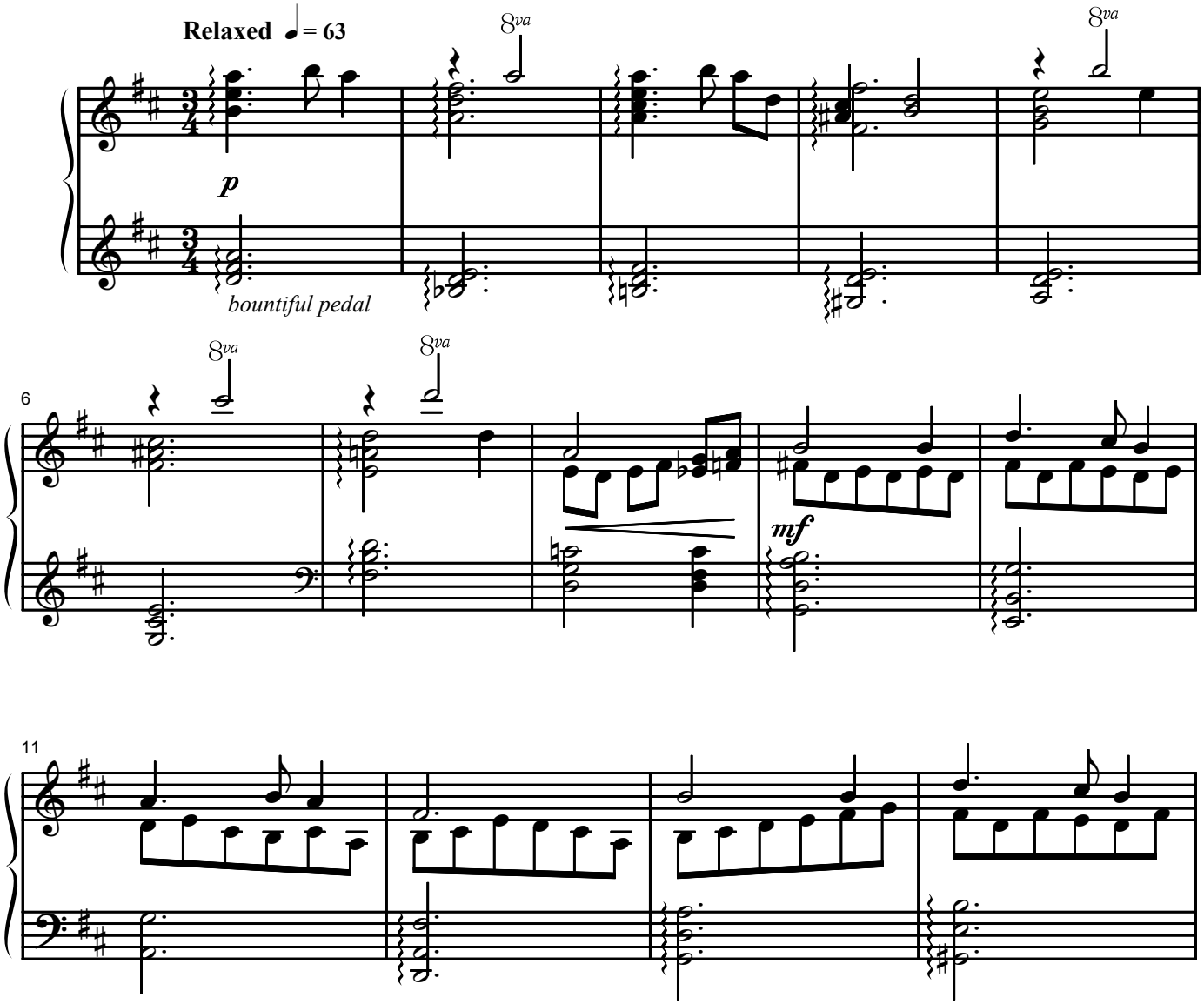
# Silent Night

*Silent night, Holy night!*
*All is calm, All is bright*
*Round yon virgin Mother and Child.*
*Holy Infant so tender and mild,*
*Sleep in heavenly peace,*
*Sleep in heavenly peace!*

*Silent night, Holy night!*
*Son of God, love's pure light*
*Radiant beams from Thy holy face,*
*With the dawn of redeeming grace,*
*Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,*
*Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.*

~Joseph Mohr~

Larry Shackley
*Tune:* **STILLE NACHT**
*by Franz Gruber*

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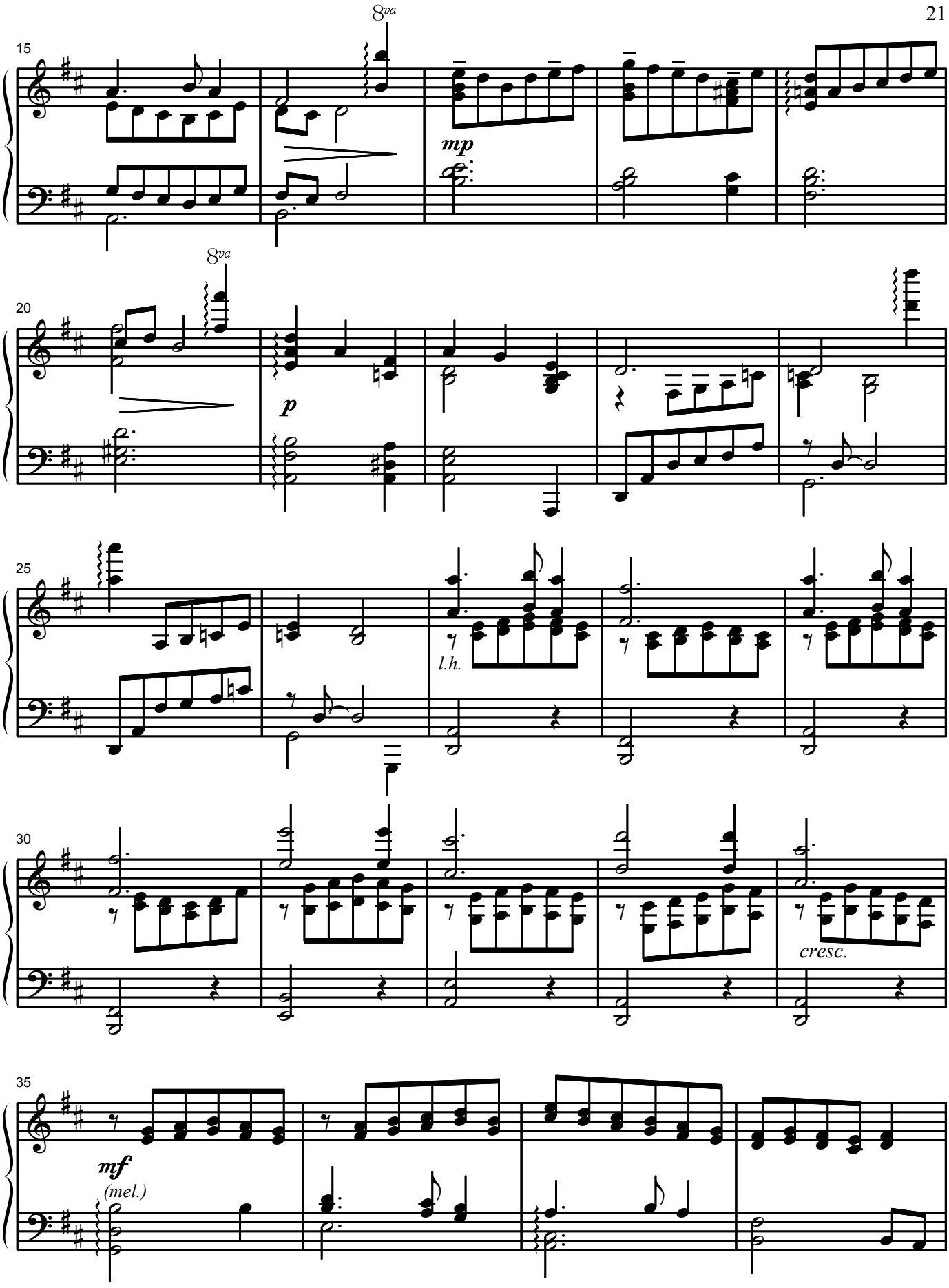
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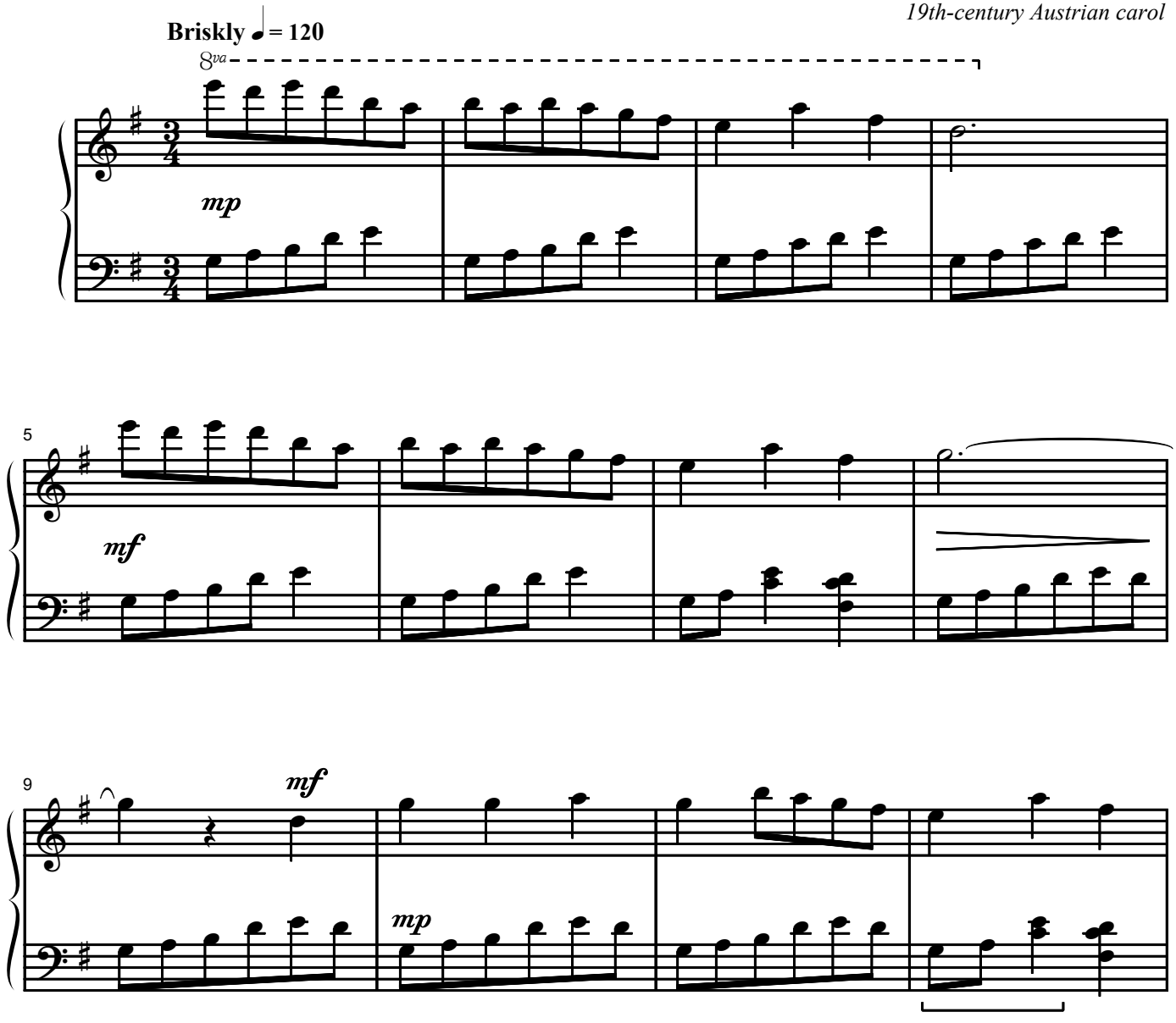
# As Lately We Watched

*As lately we watched*
*O'er our flocks through the night,*
*A star there was seen*
*Of such glorious light!*
*All through the night,*
*Angels did sing,*
*In carols so sweet*
*Of the birth of a King.*
~Traditional Austrian~

Larry Shackley
*19th-century Austrian carol*

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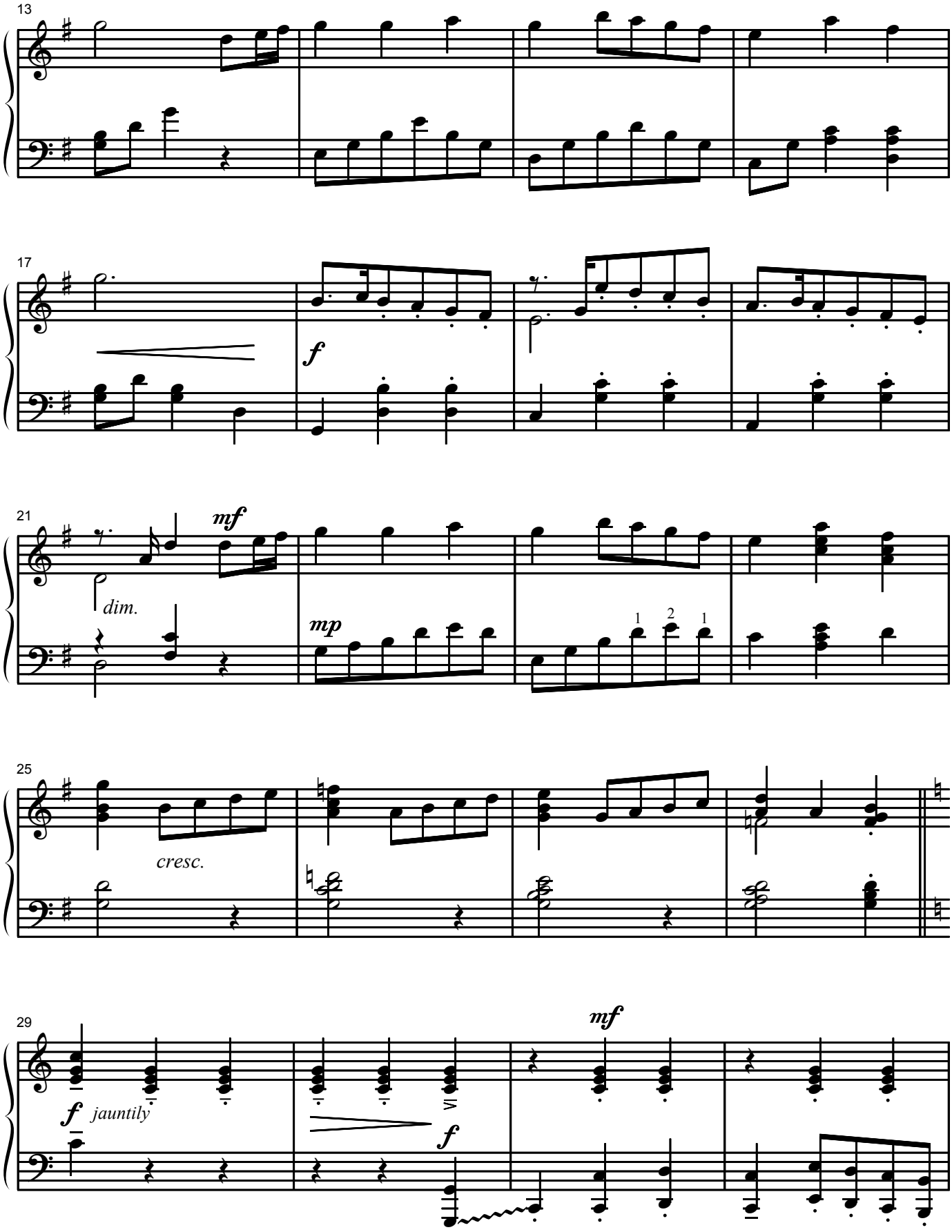
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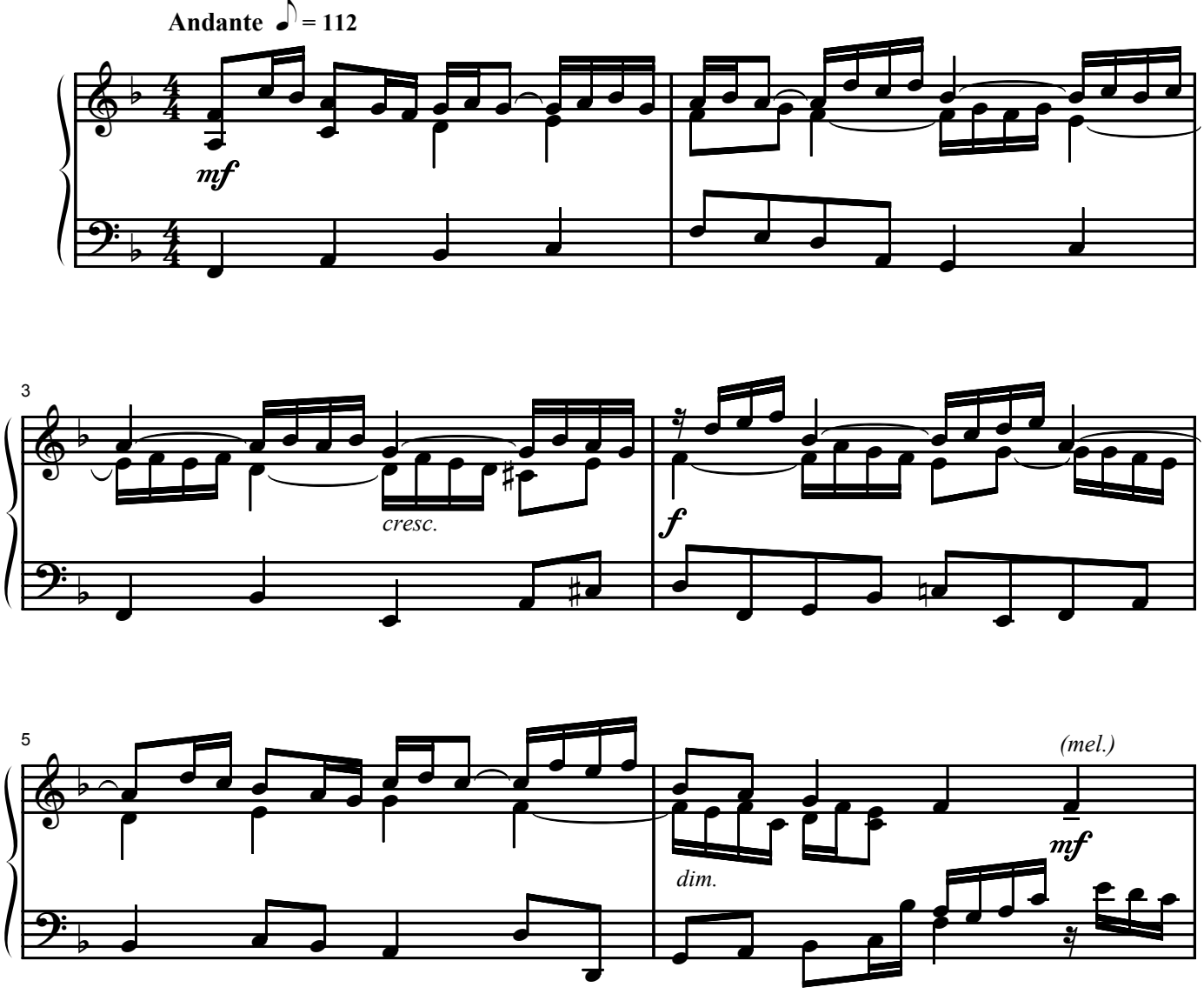
# Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light

## Chorale Prelude

*Break forth, O beauteous heav'nly light,*
*And usher in the morning;*
*Ye shepherds, shrink not with affright,*
*But hear the angel's warning.*
*This Child, now weak in infancy,*
*Our confidence and joy shall be,*
*The pow'r of Satan breaking,*
*Our peace eternal making.*
~Johann Rist~

Larry Shackley
*Tune:* **ERMUNTRE DICH**
*by Johann Schop*

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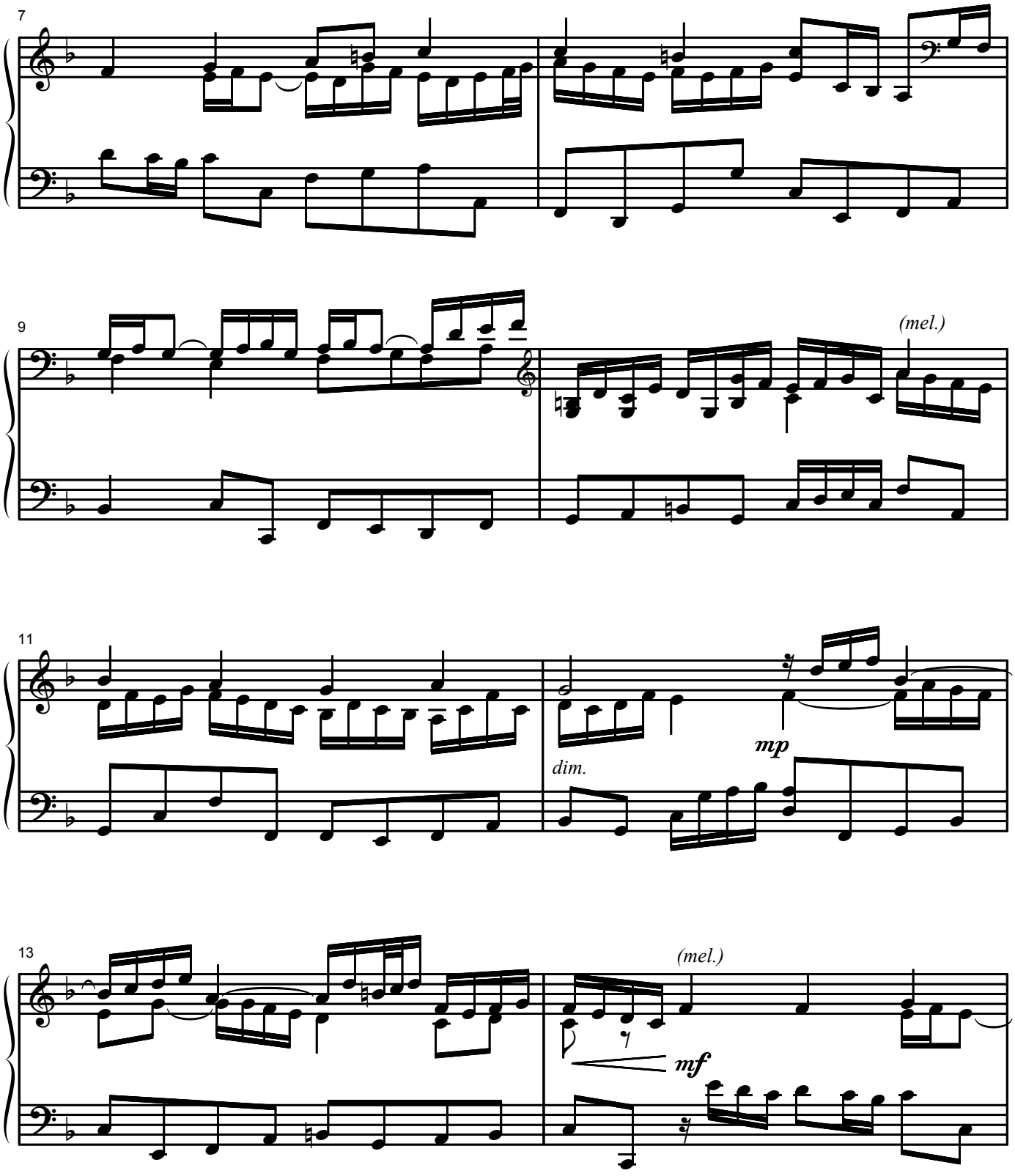
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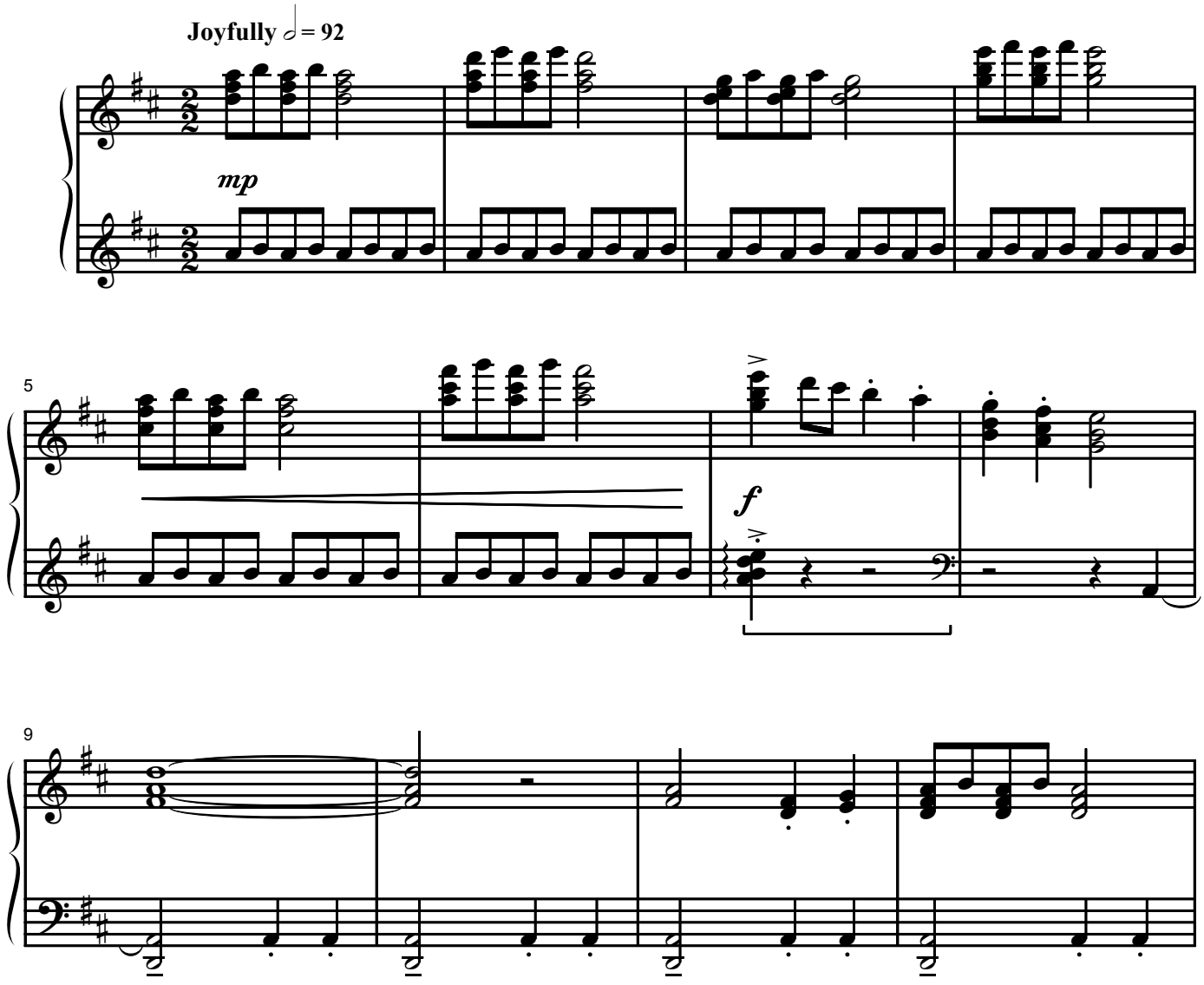
# Ring, Little Bells/
# O Come, Little Children

*Ring, bells, go tingalingaling,*
*Ring, little bells!*
*In our hearts now stealing,*
*'Mid the bells all pealing,*
*Joy and blessing holy*
*From the Child so lowly,*
*Ring, bells, go tingalingaling,*
*Ring, little bells!*
~Karl Enslin~

*O come, little children,*
*O come, one and all!*
*O come to the cradle*
*in Bethlehem's stall!*
*Come, see what has happened*
*this holiest night;*
*Come, gaze on the gift*
*from the Father of Might.*
~Christoph von Schmid~

Larry Shackley

*Tune:* **KLING, GLÖCKCHEN,** *Traditional German carol and*
**IHR KINDERLEIN, KOMMET** *by Johann Abraham Schulz*

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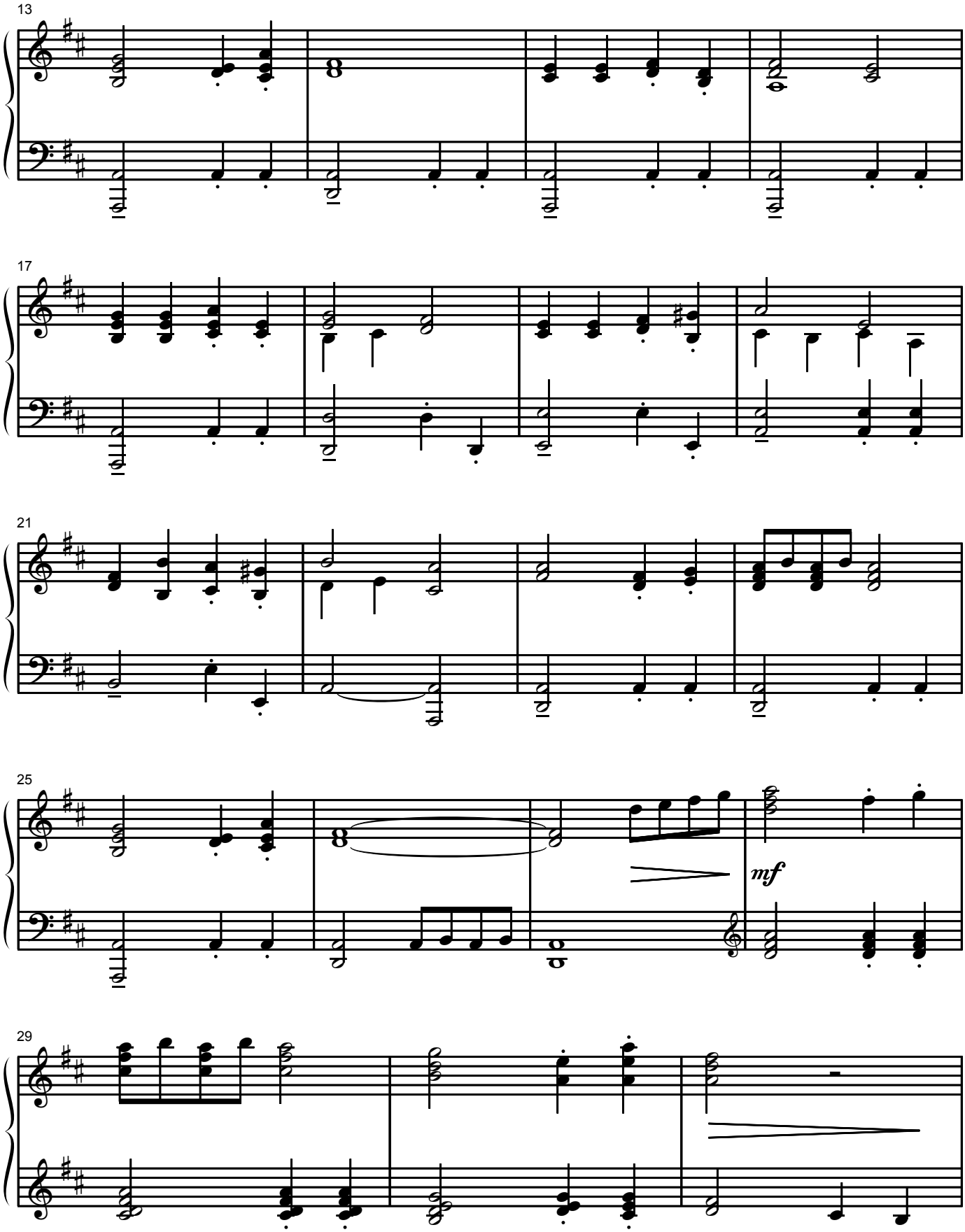
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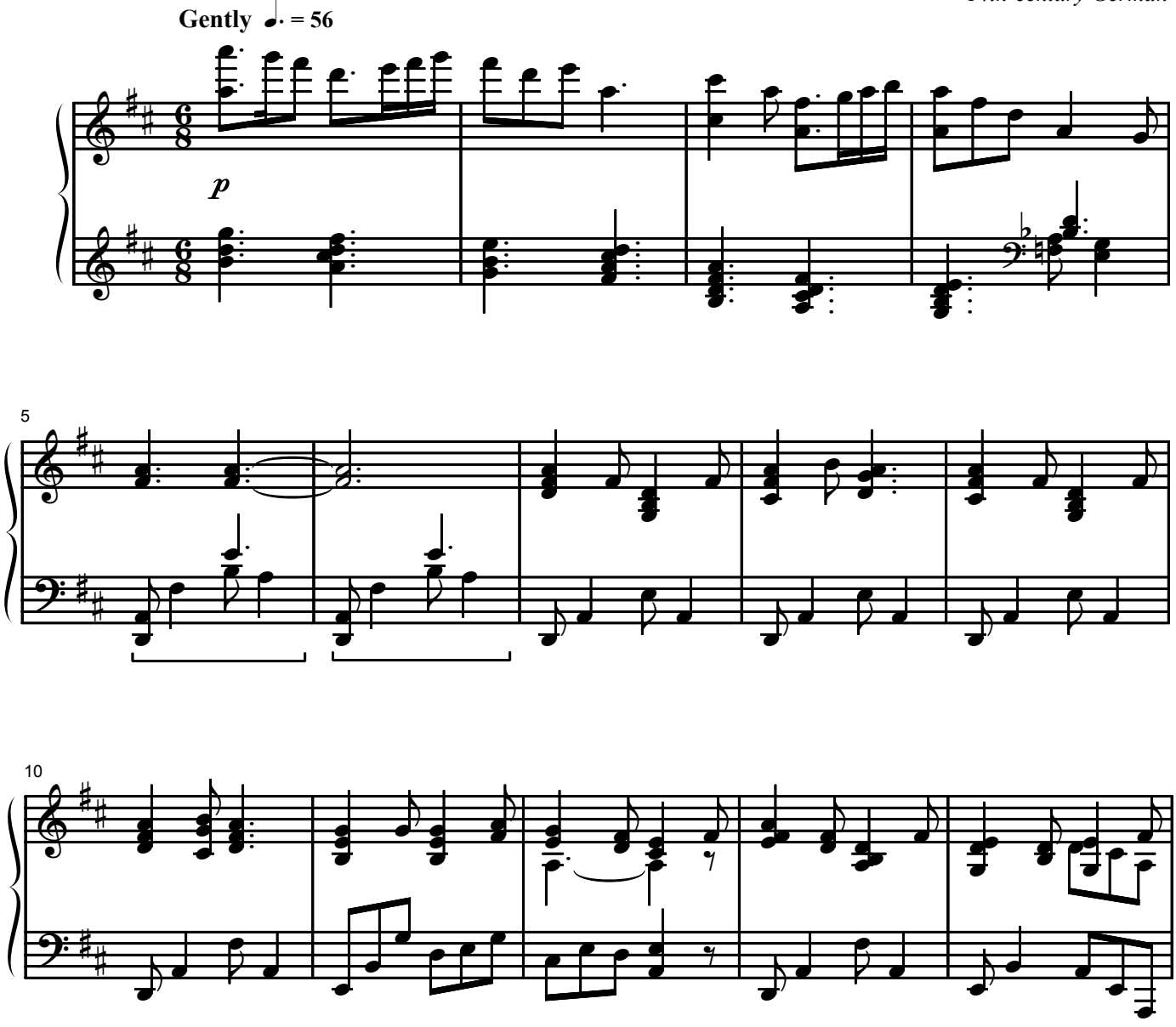
# Joseph, Dearest Joseph Mine

*Joseph, dearest Joseph mine,*
*Help me rock the Child divine,*
*Sing to Him a lullabye:*
*'Now sleep and rest,*
*Your slumber blest, O Jesus!'*
~Traditional German~

Larry Shackley
*Tune:* **JOSEF, LIEBER JOSEF MEIN**
*14th-century German*

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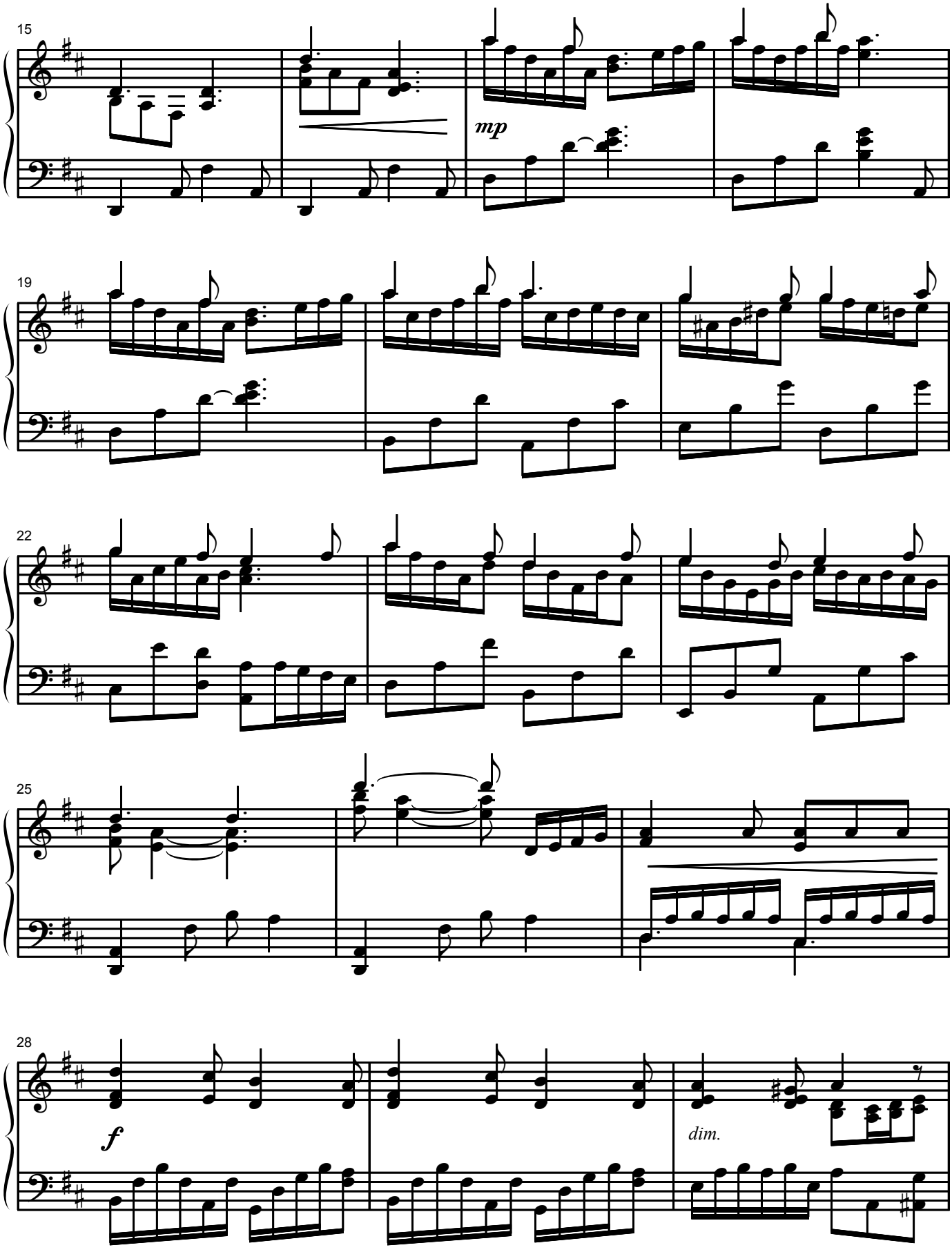
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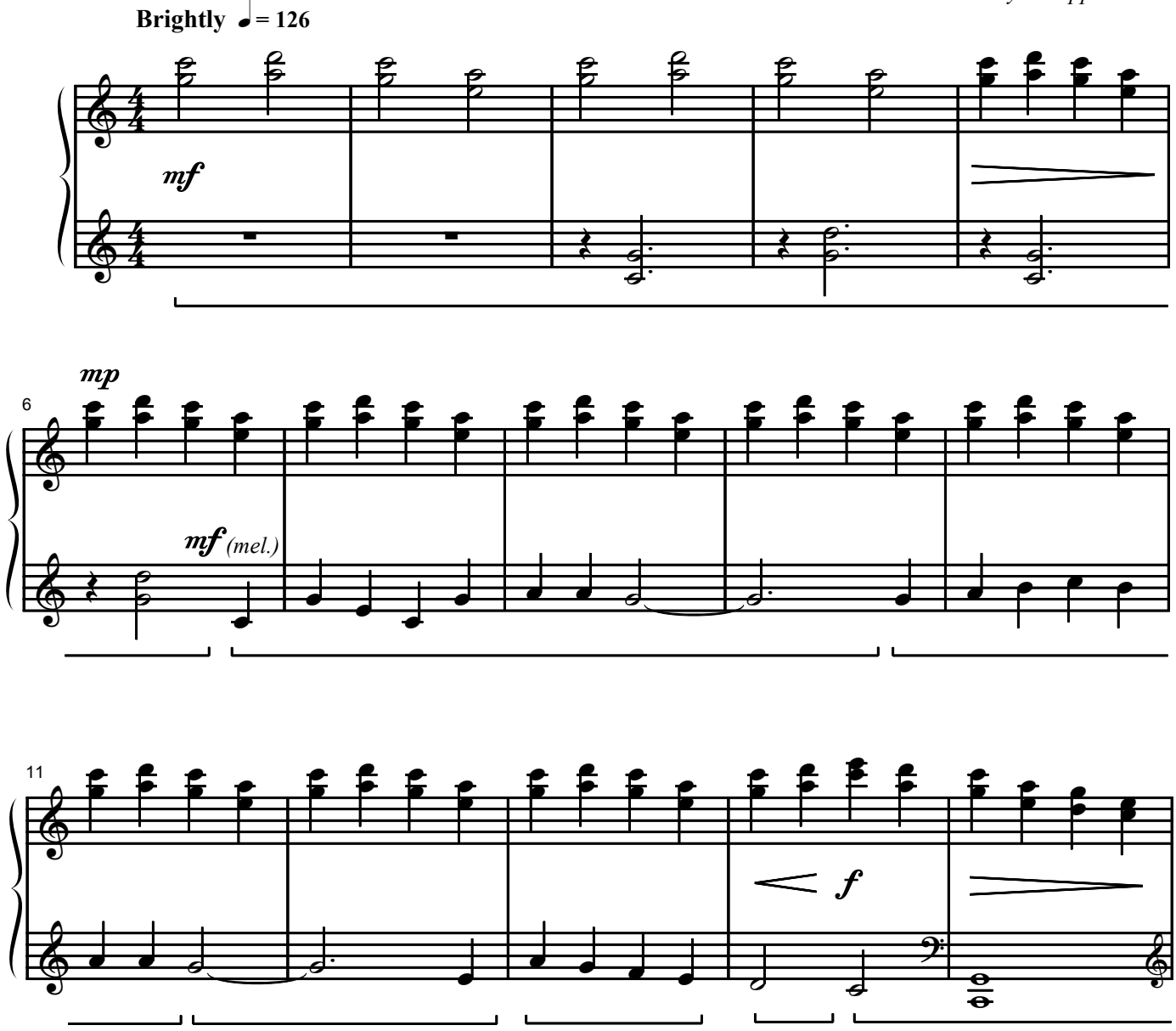
# How Brightly Shines the Morning Star

*How brightly shines the morning star,*
*With mercy beaming from afar;*
*The host of heav'n rejoices;*
*Jesus, Jesus! Holy, holy, yet most lowly,*
*Draw Thou near us;*
*Great Emmanuel, come and hear us.*
~Philipp Nicolai~

Larry Shackley
*Tune:* **WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET**
*by Philipp Nicolai*

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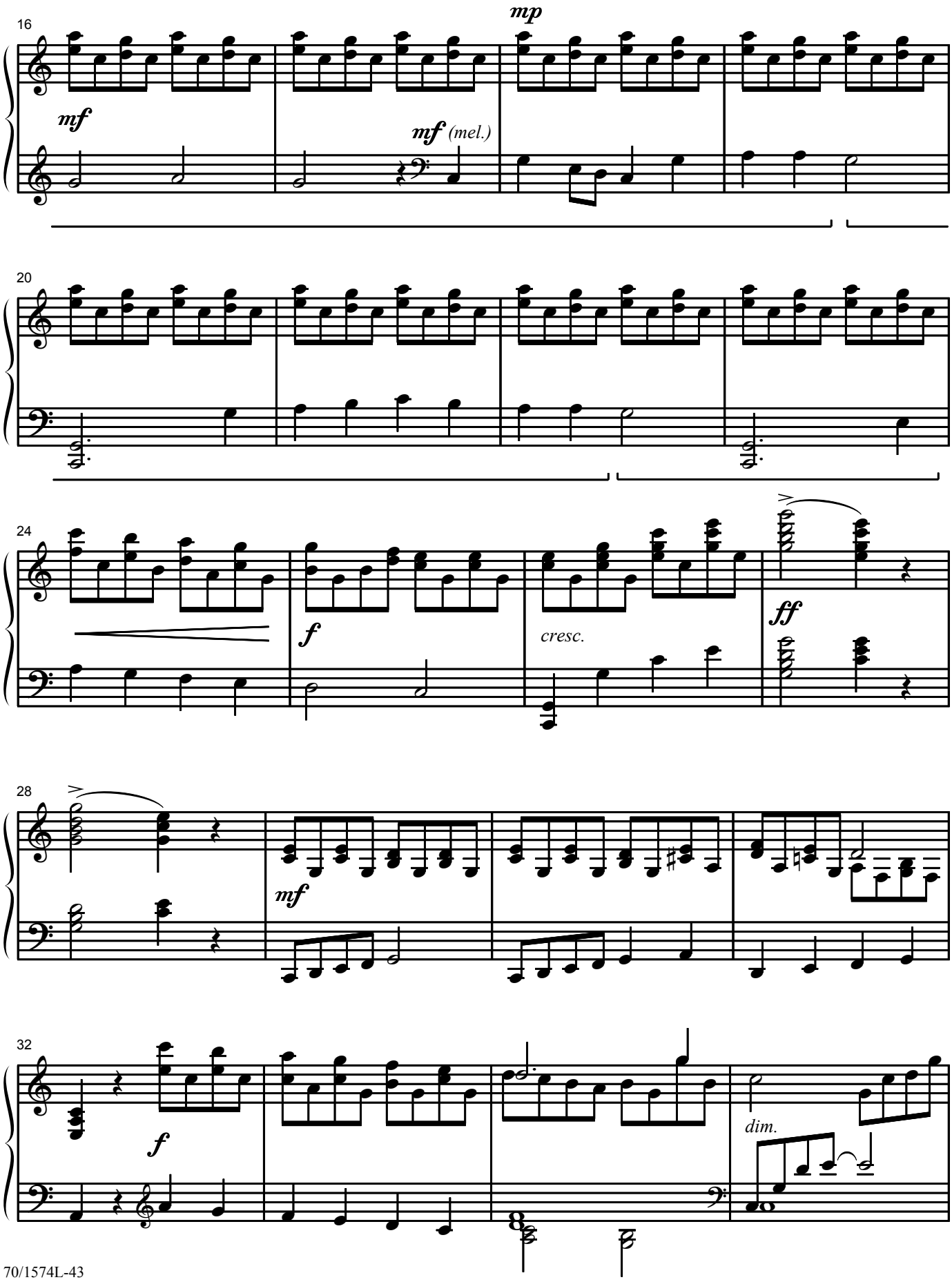
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