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Rachel Weeping

Words by William Chatterton Dix
for Choir (SATB) a cappella
(2019)

For the Holy Innocents

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Puer natus in Bethlehem

Rachel, weeping for her children,
Flowers in early spring laid low;
None may comfort, none may cheer her,
Faint and pallid, full of woe.

Puer natus in Bethlehem

Yet the slain are girt with triumph,
They shall swell the victor's song;
Theirs the crown with scarce a struggle,
First-fruits of the martyr-throng.

Bethlehem's streets are dark with mourning,
All is woe and wild despair;
But within the Heavenly City
John beholds a vision fair:

Puer natus in Bethlehem

Little ones with palms rejoicing
In their happy, high estate,
Following with eager footseps,
Christ, the Lamb Immaculate.

Puer natus in Bethlehem

There, in that Eternal Country,
Men of peace have peace for aye;
There the sword is sheathed for ever,
Foes are banished far away.

Here, Lord, mortify us
Vices which Thine Eye offend:
Keep us, children, pure and holy,
Constant, faithful, to the end.

Puer natus in Bethlehem

Amen

Source: William Chatterton Dix, ed. A Vision of All Saints (London: John Hodges, 1871), pp. 162-163
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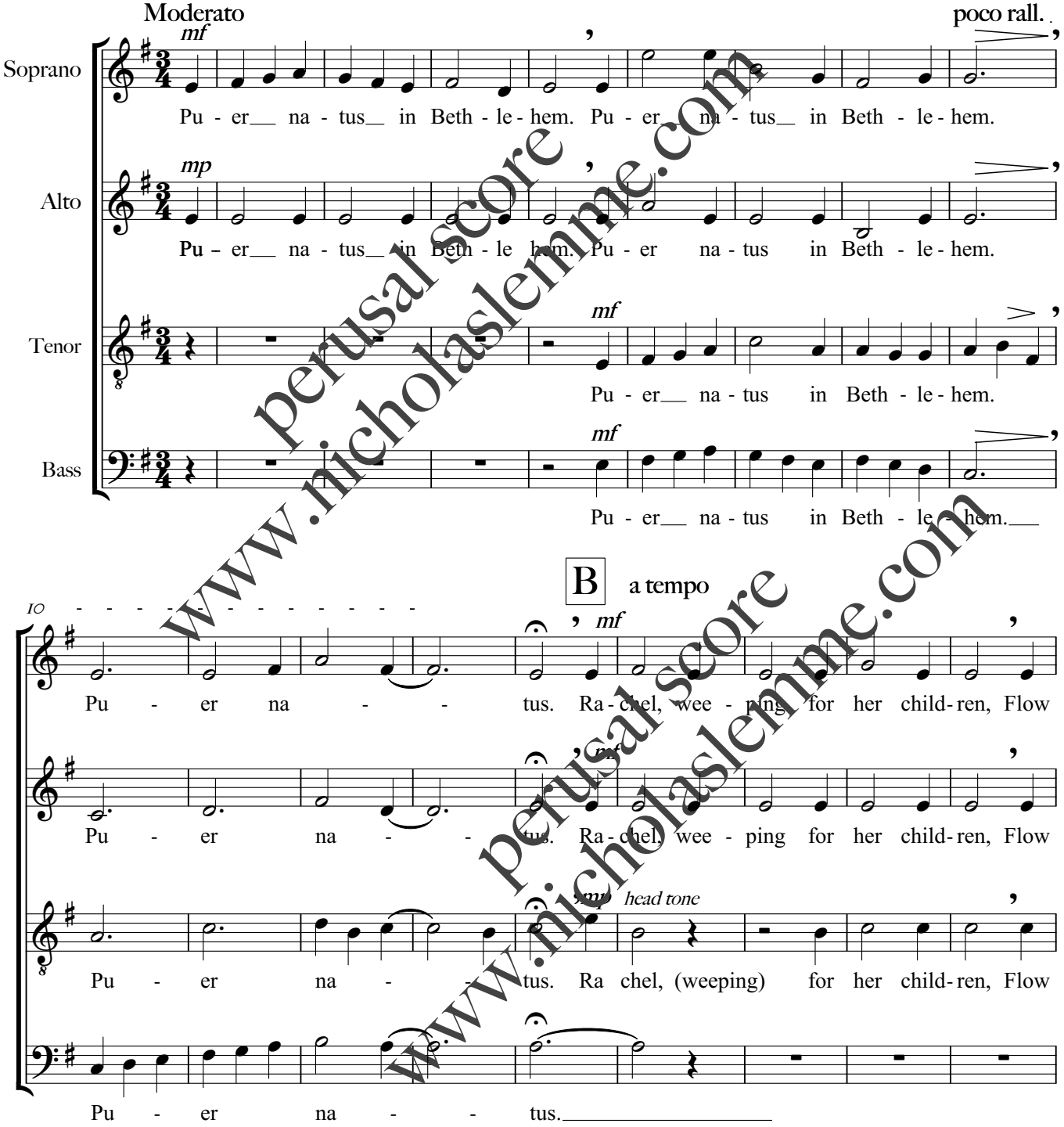
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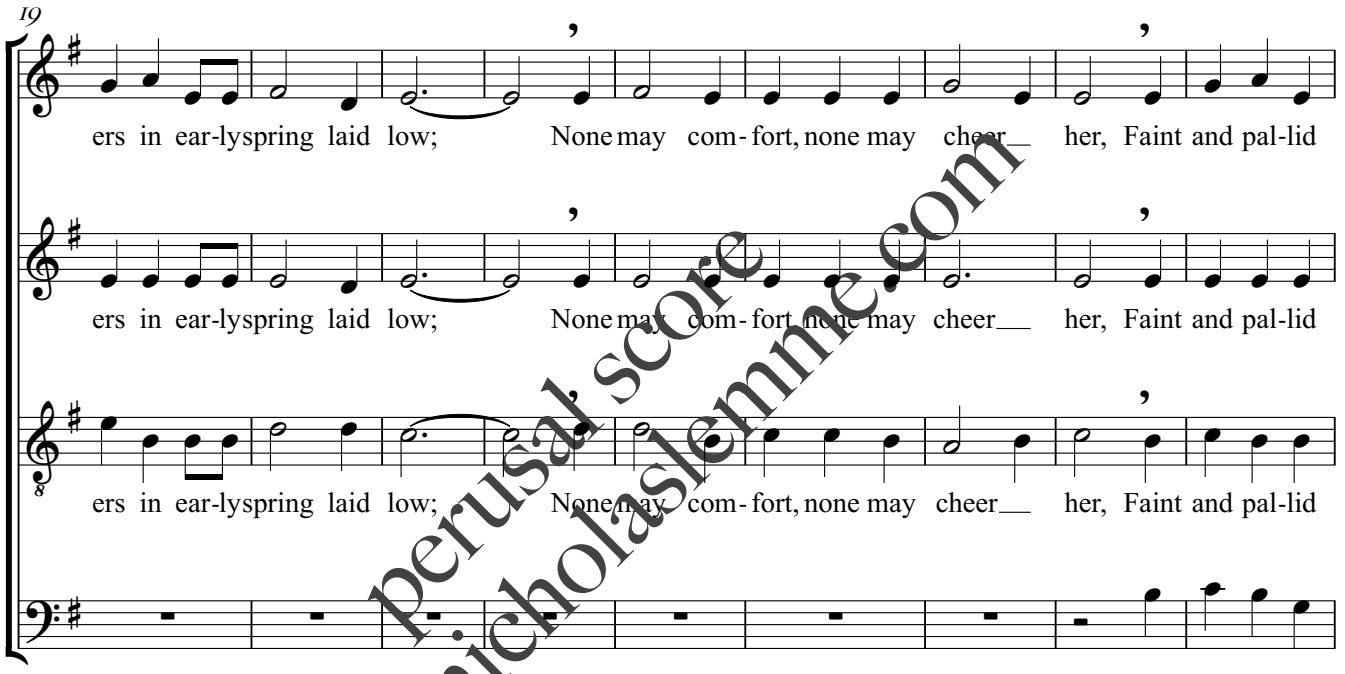
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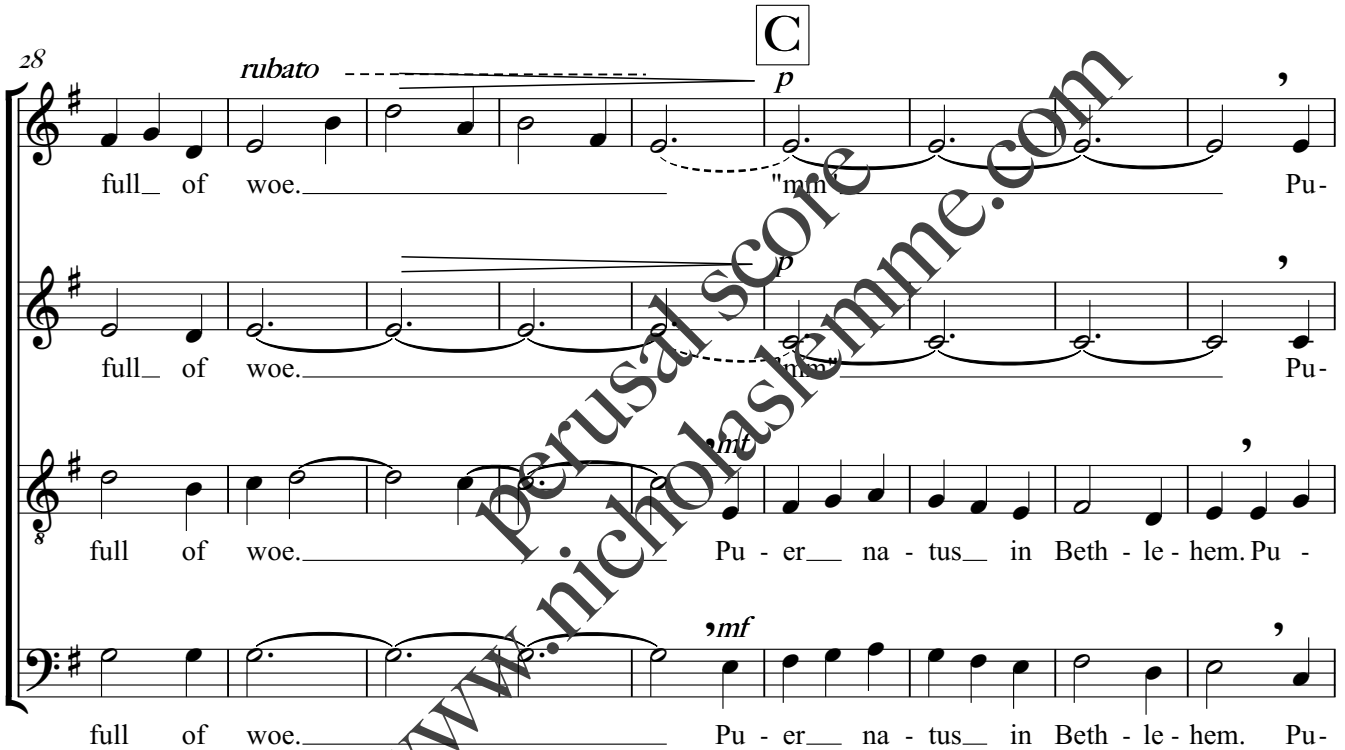
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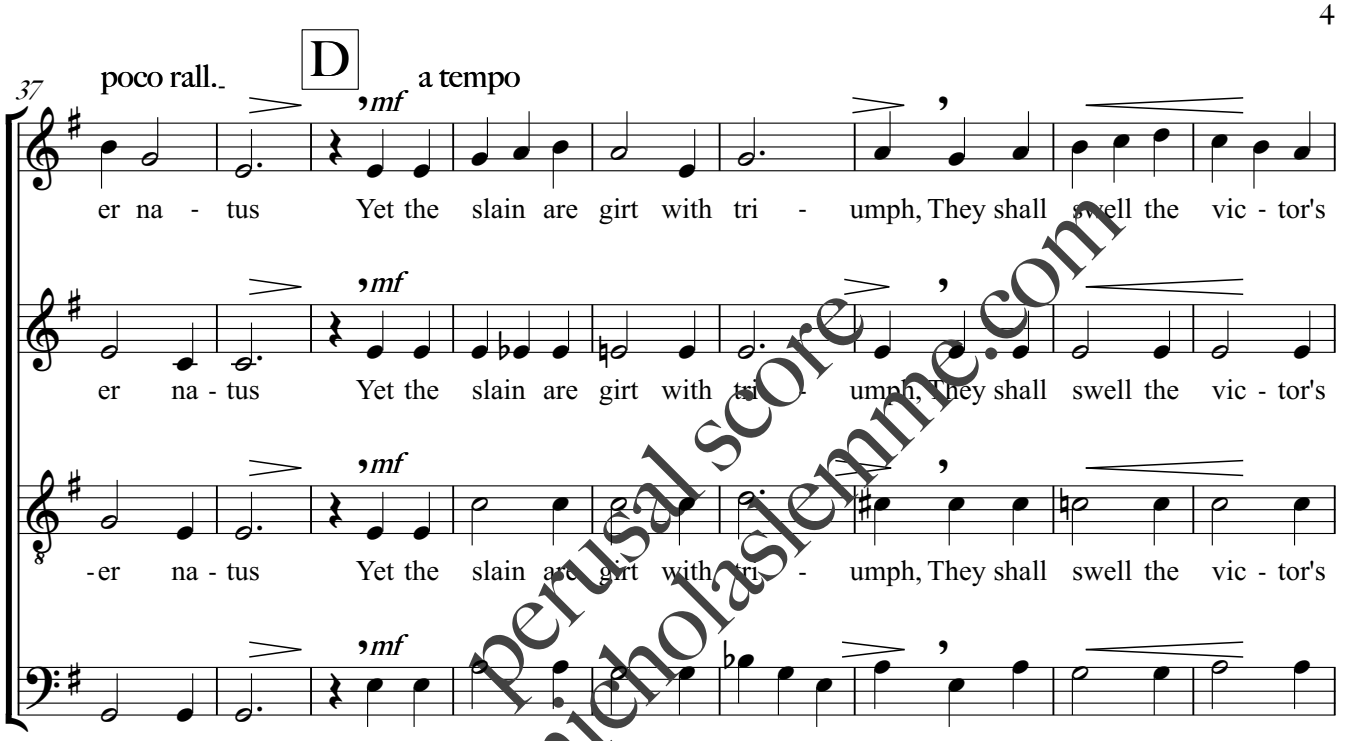
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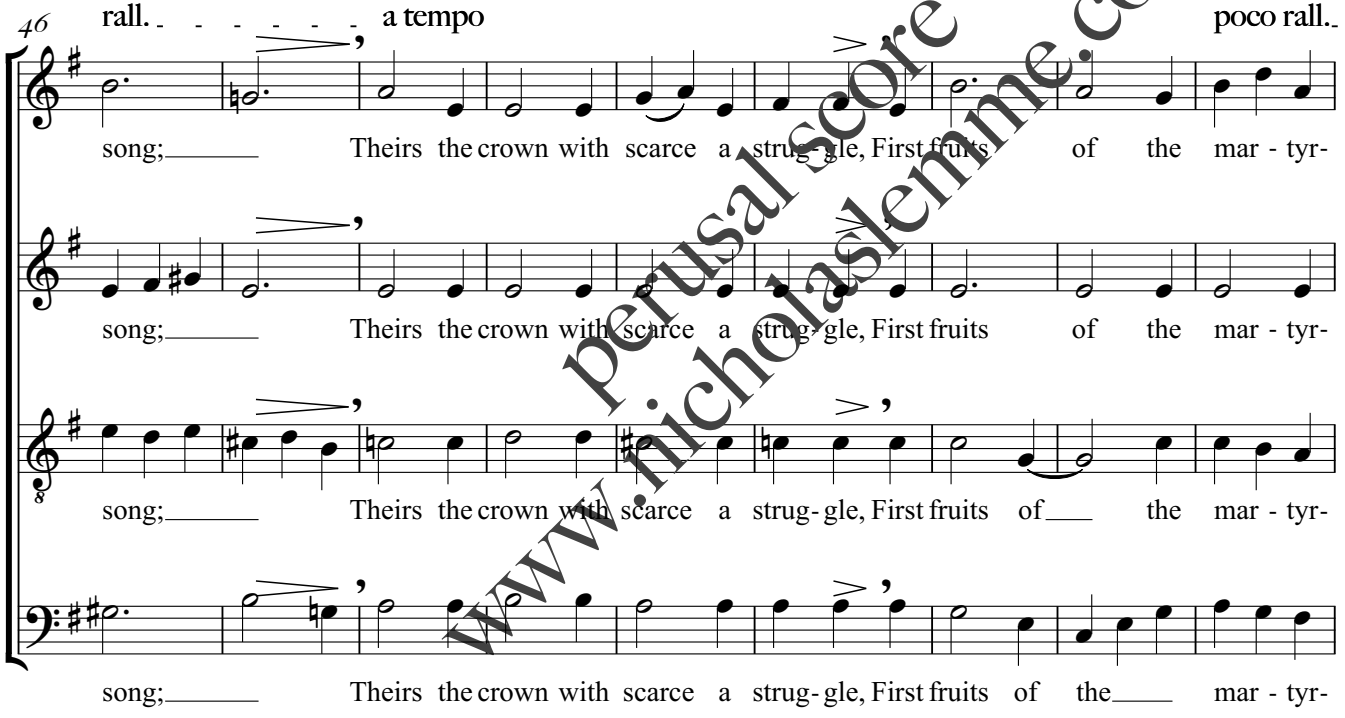




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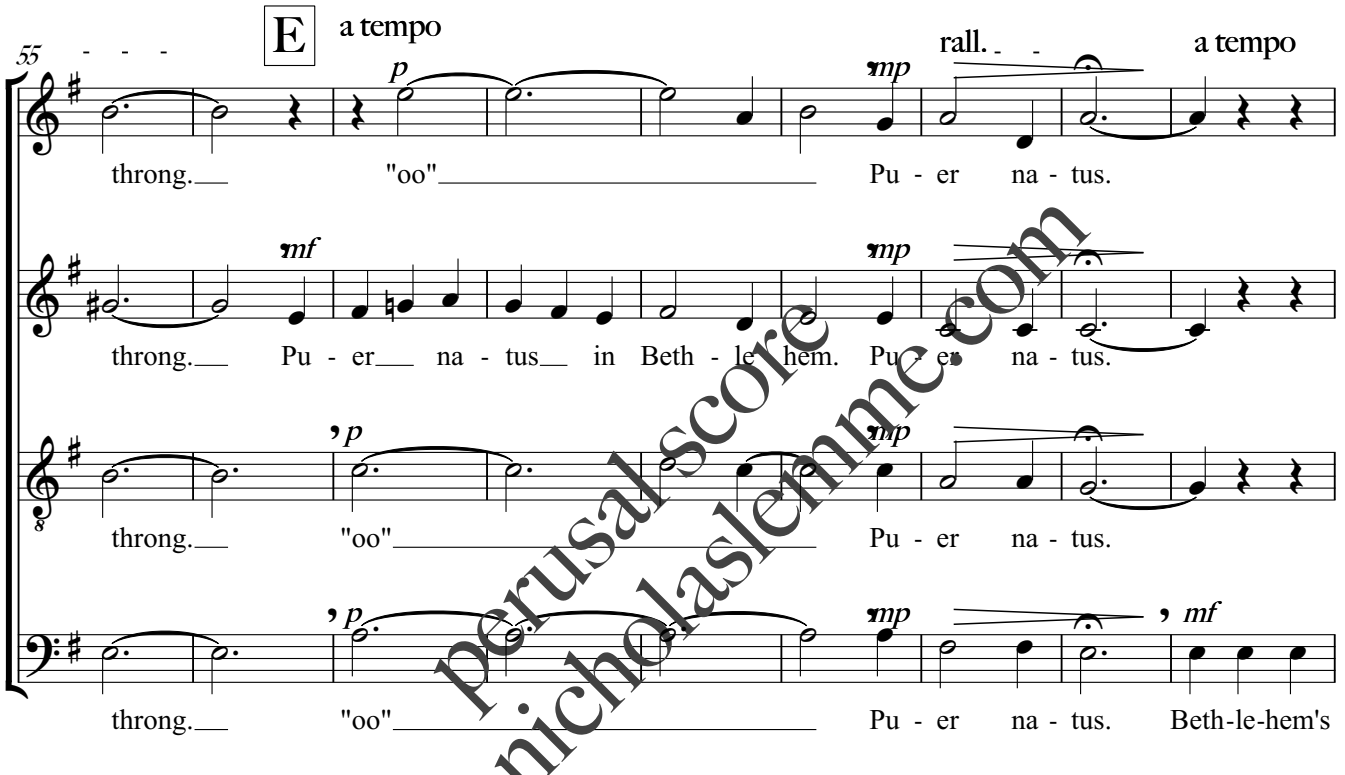
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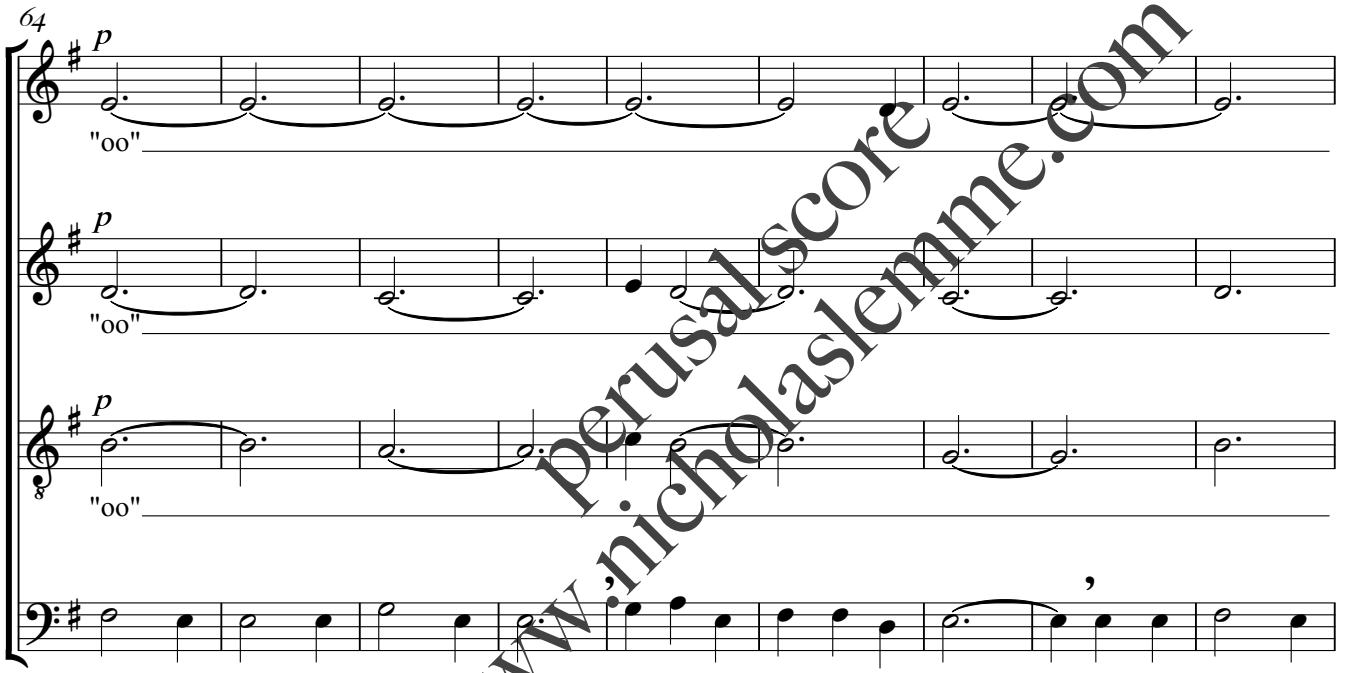




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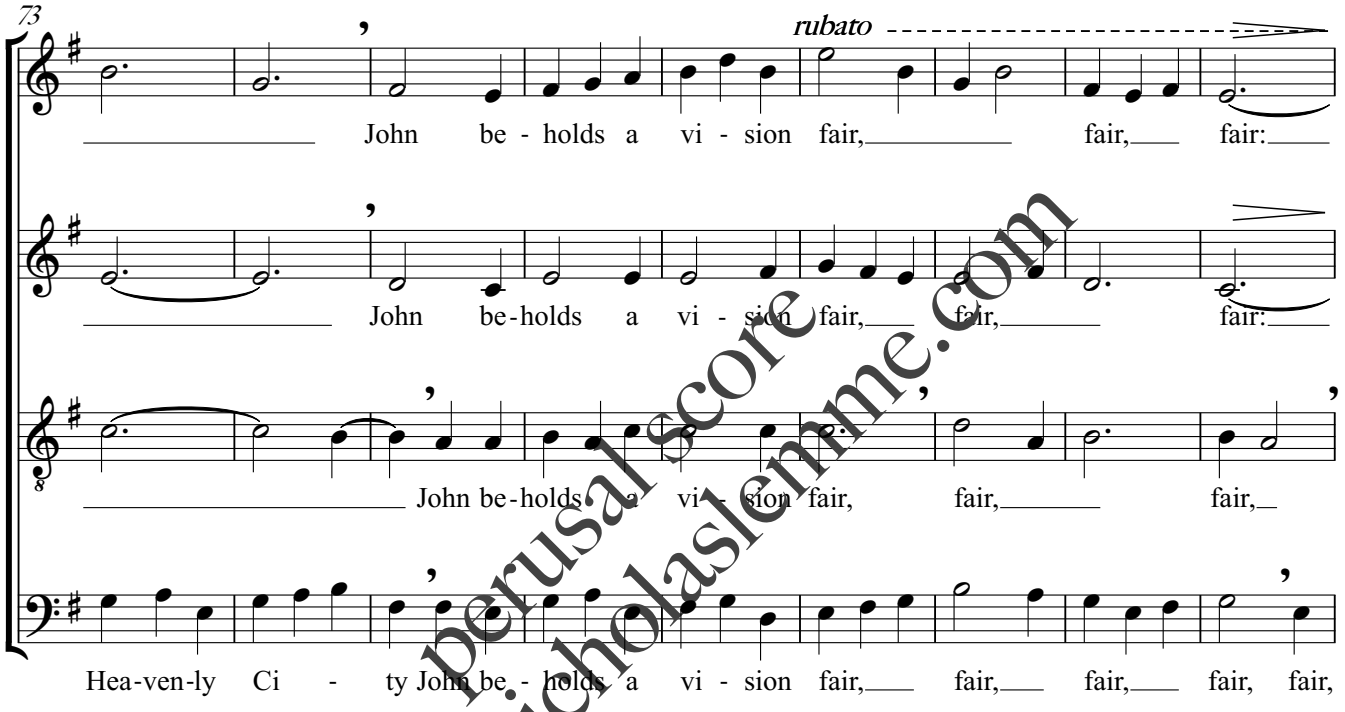
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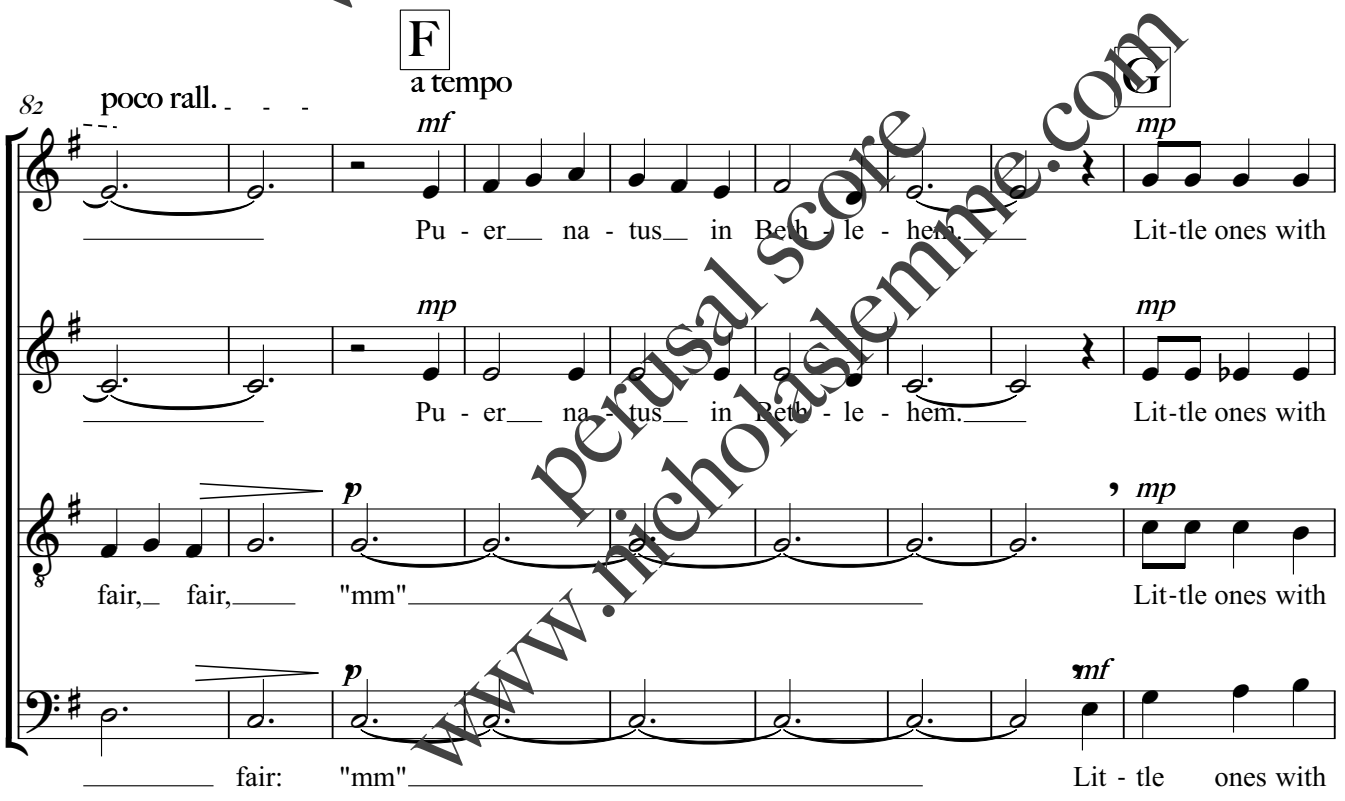




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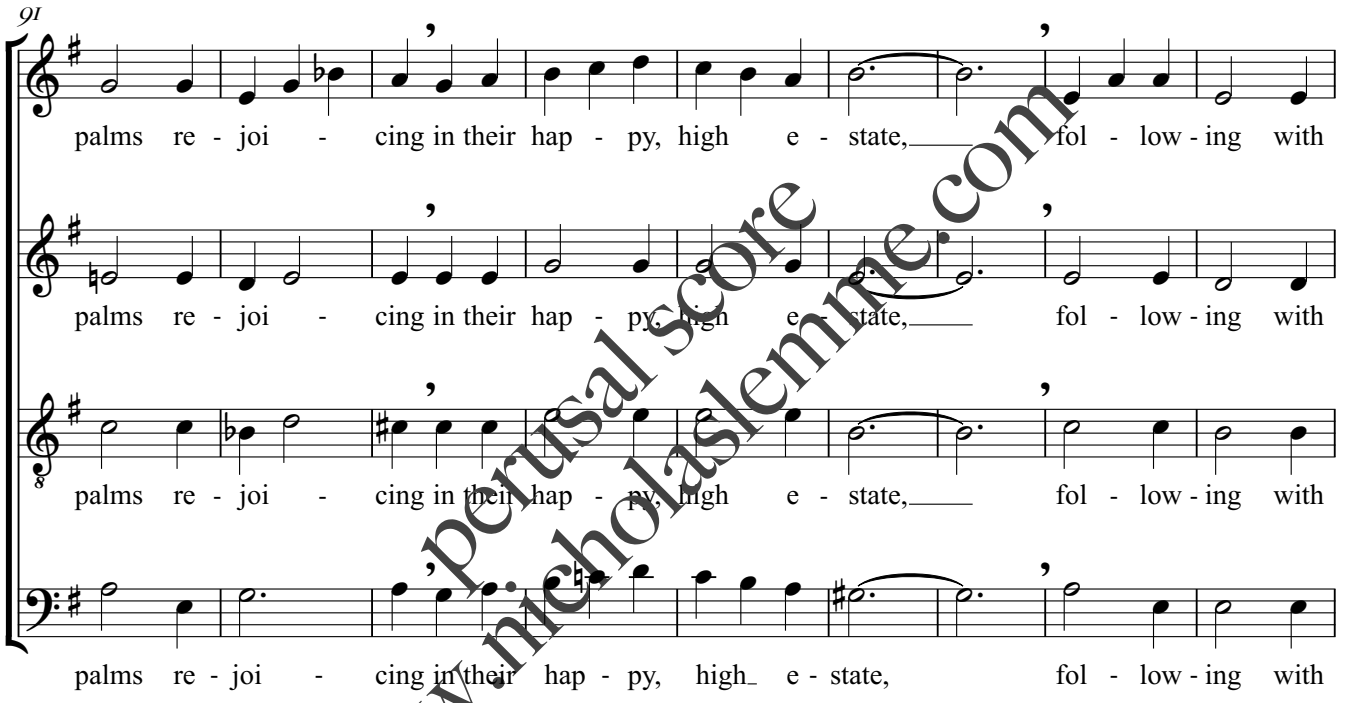
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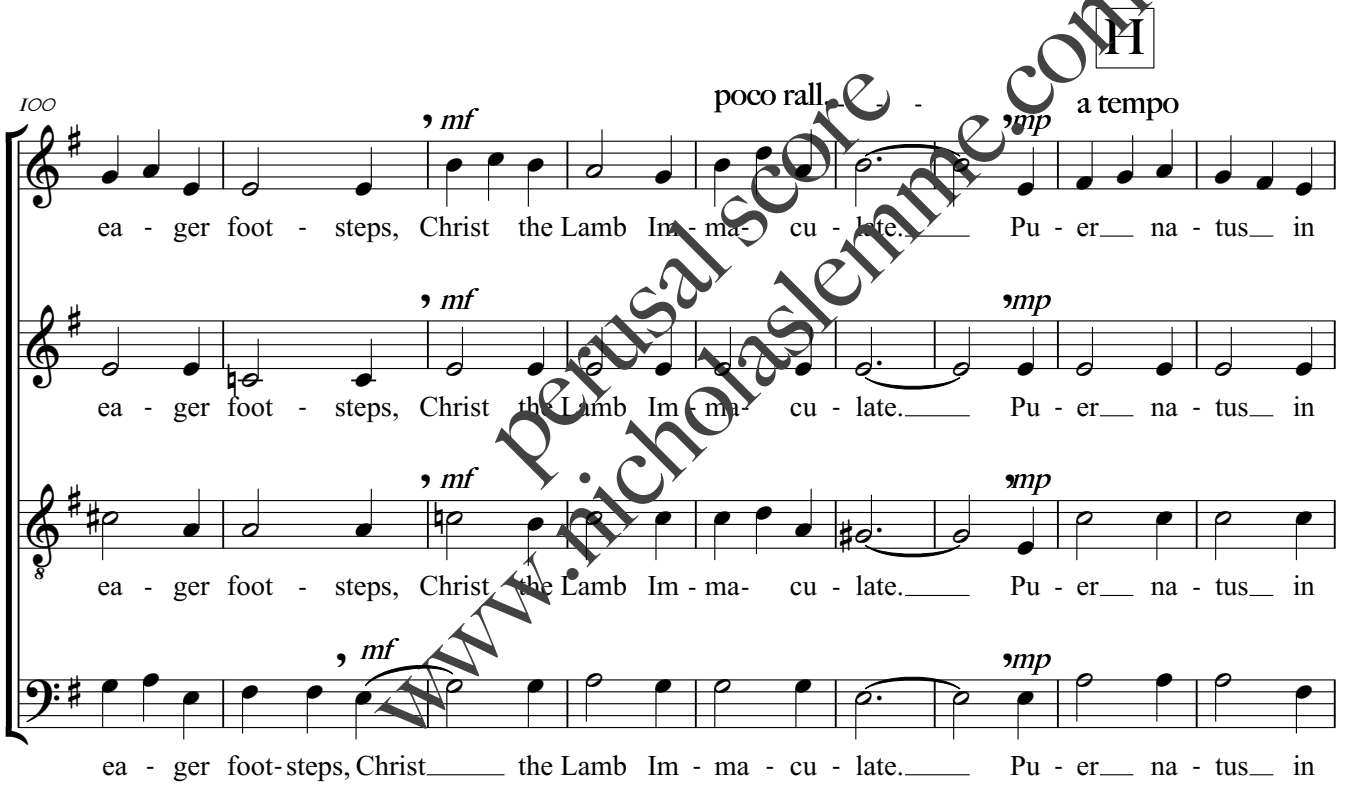




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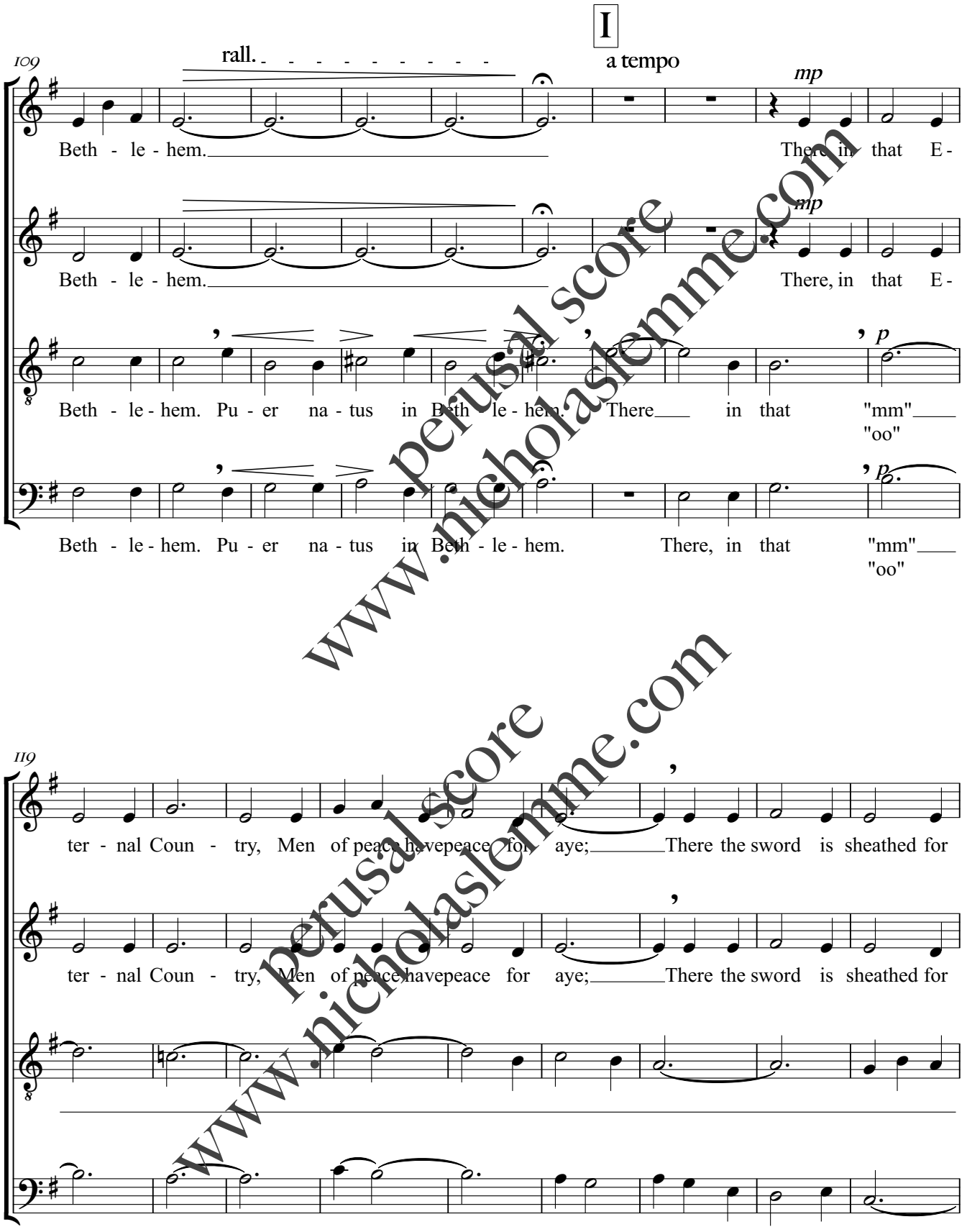
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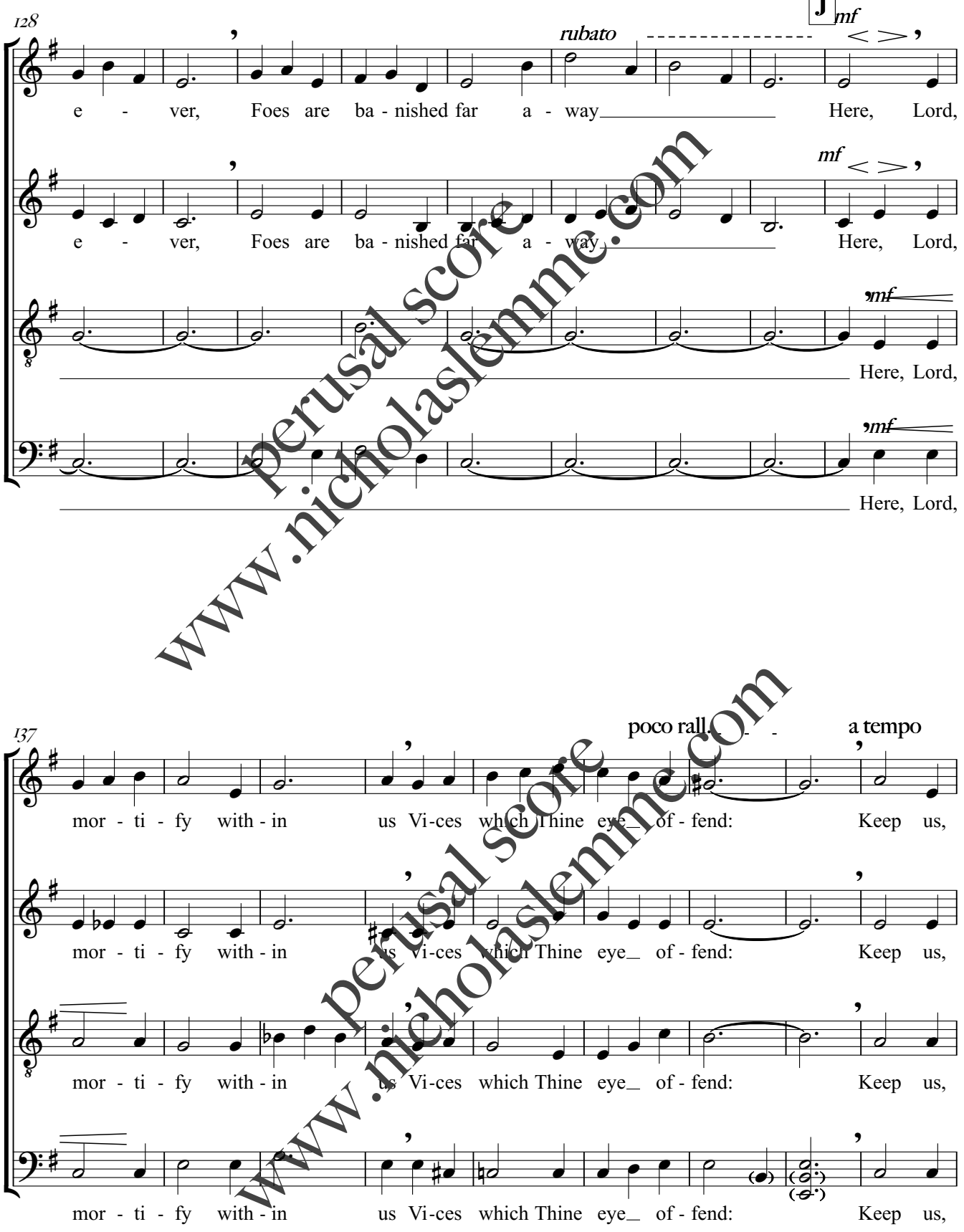




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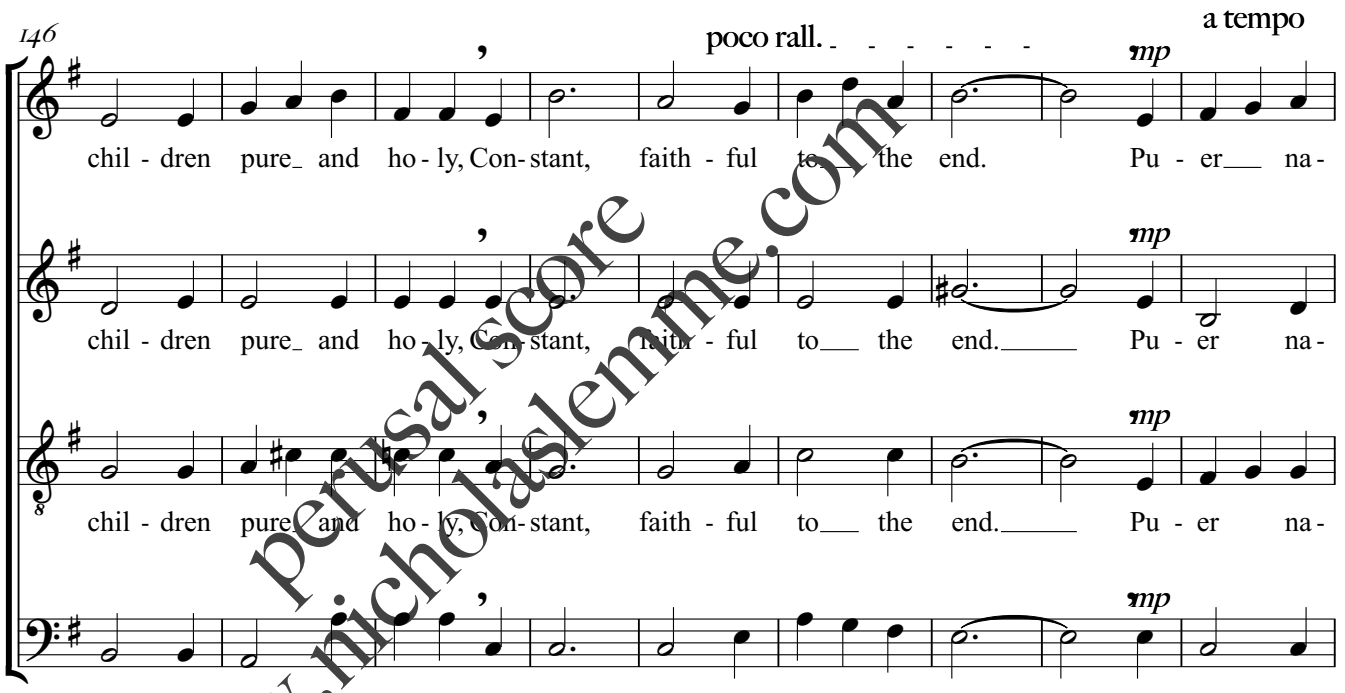


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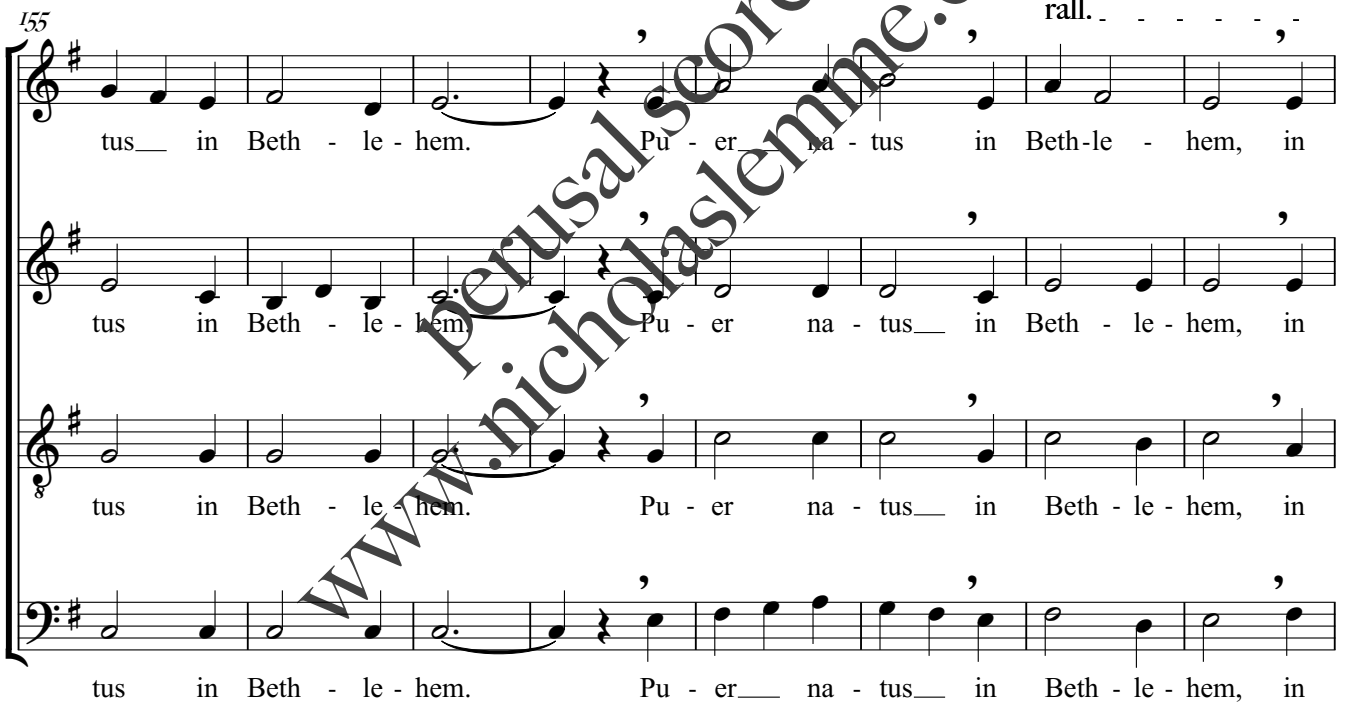
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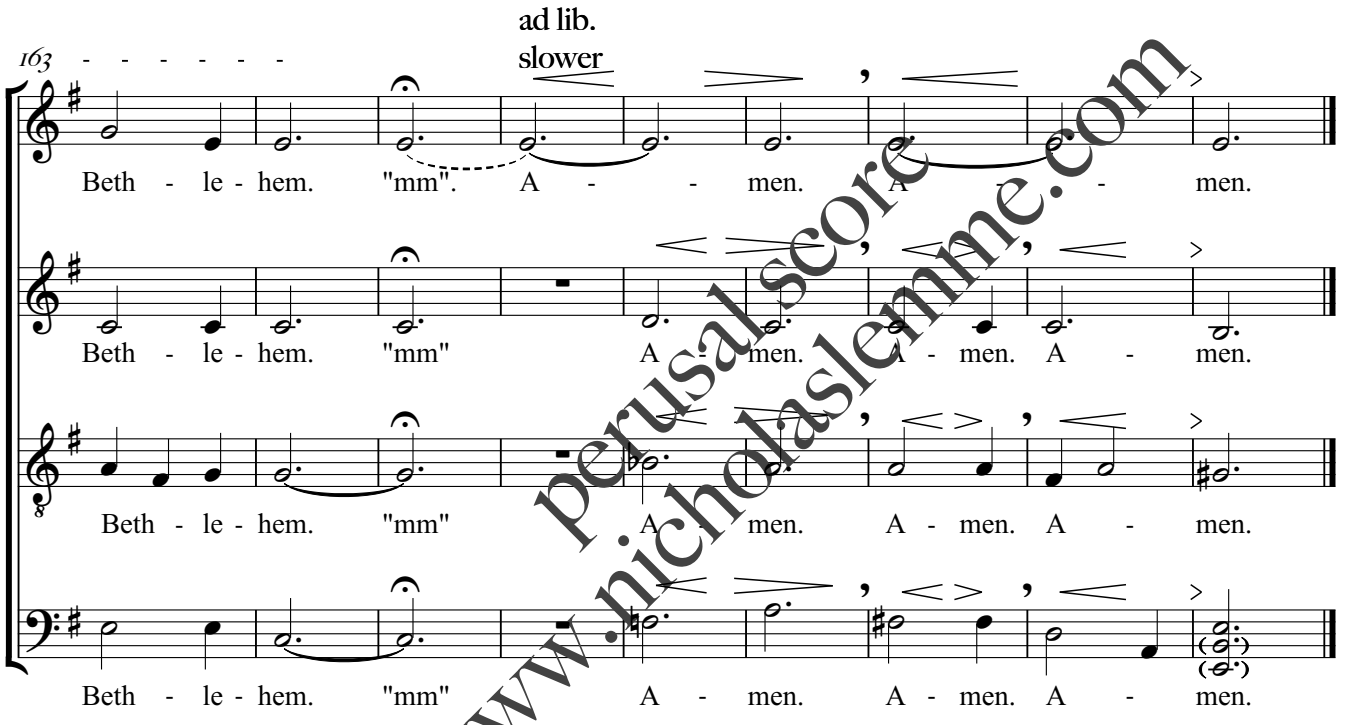




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