

A mighty fortress is our God

Text: Martin Luther, 1529, 1531

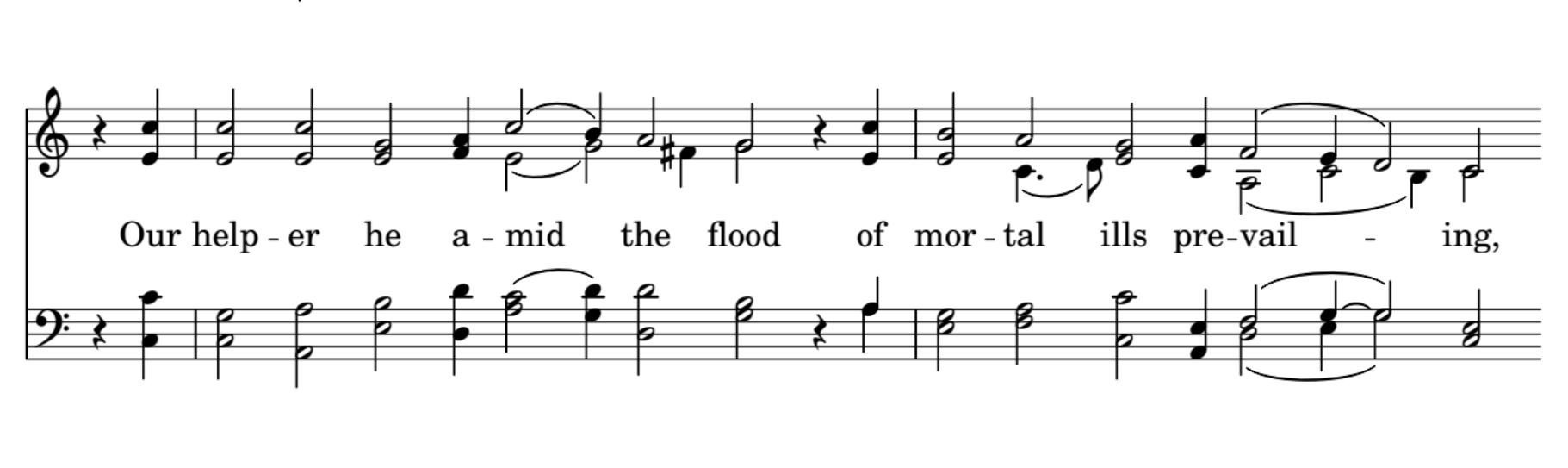
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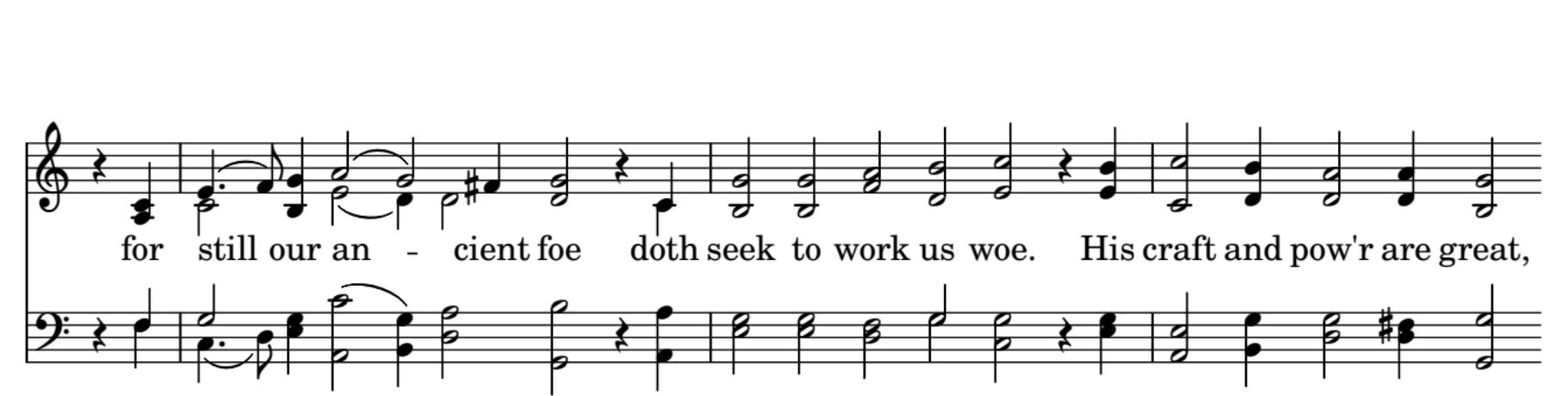
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1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul - wark nev - er fail - ing.



Our help - er he a - mid the flood of mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing,



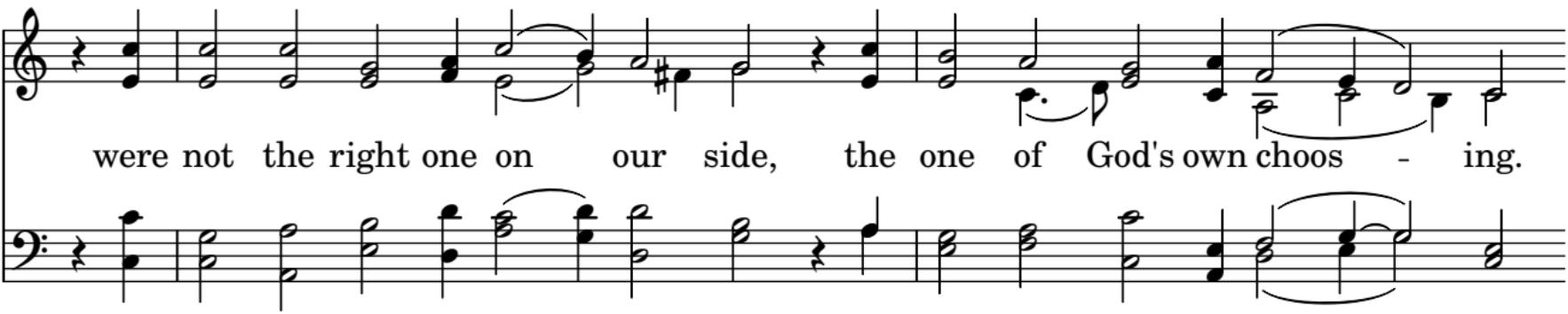
for still our an - cient foe doth seek to work us woe. His craft and pow'r are great,



and arm'd with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.



2 Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv-ing would be los - ing,



were not the right one on our side, the one of God's own choos - ing.

Dost ask who that may be? Christ Je-sus, it is he! Lord Sab - a-oth, his name,

from age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.



3 And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat-en to un-do us,



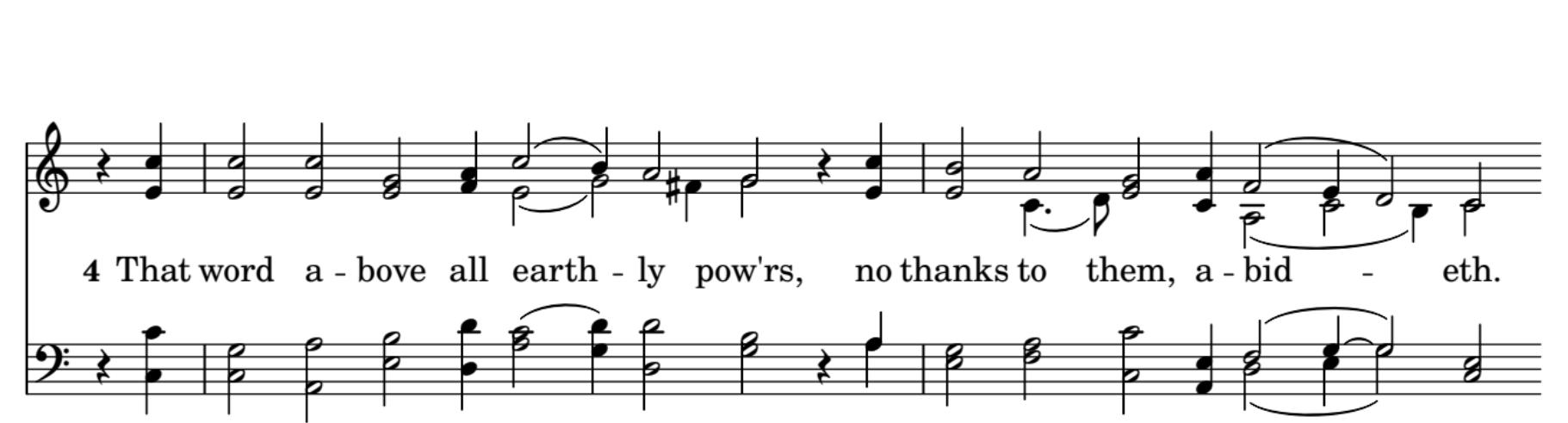
we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to tri-umph through us.



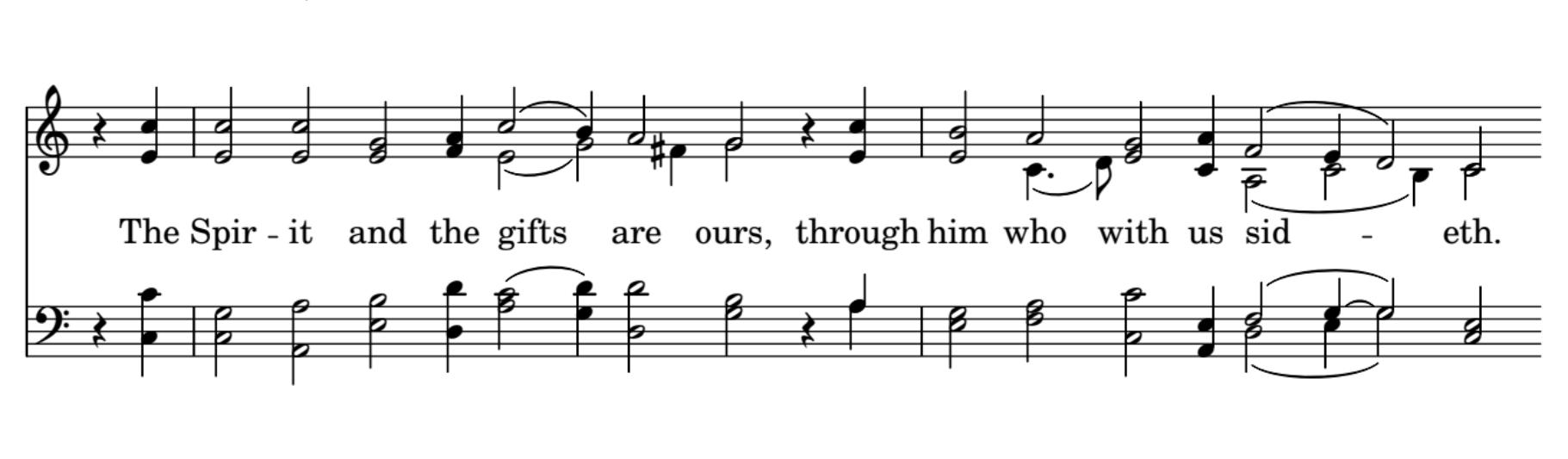


The prince of dark - ness grim, we trem - ble not for him. His rage we can en - du -

for lo, his doom is sure. One lit - tle word shall fell him.



4 That word a - bove all earth - ly pow'rs, no thanks to them, a - bid - eth.



The Spir - it and the gifts are ours, through him who with us sid - eth.

Let goods and kin - dred go, this mor-tal life al - so. The bod - y they may kill,

God's truth a - bid - eth still. His king - dom is for - ev - er.