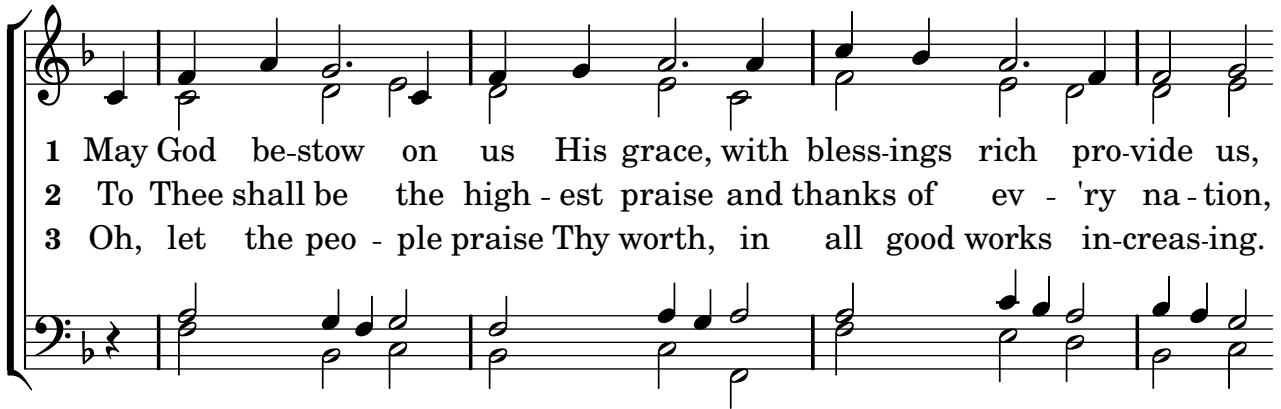


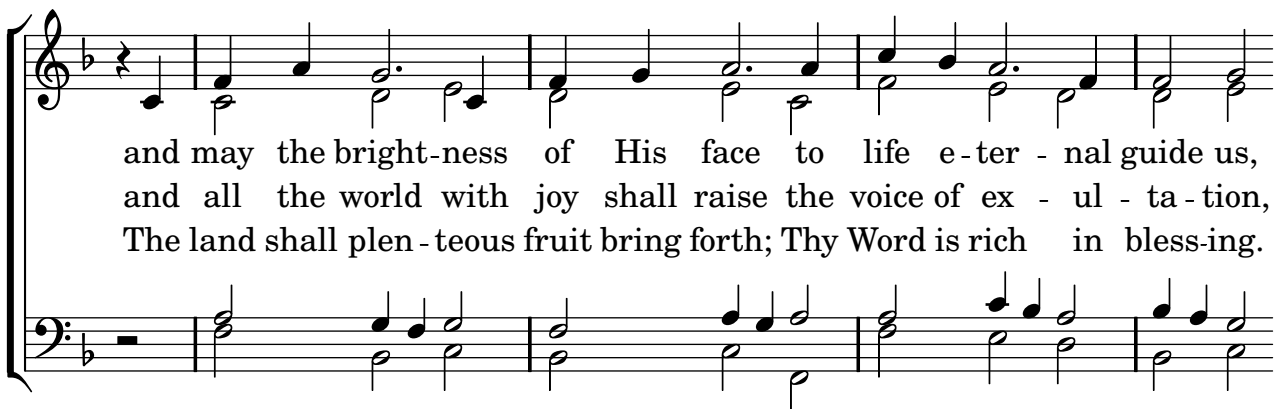
MAY GOD BESTOW ON US HIS GRACE

Martin Luther, 1524; tr. Richard Massie, 1851, alt.

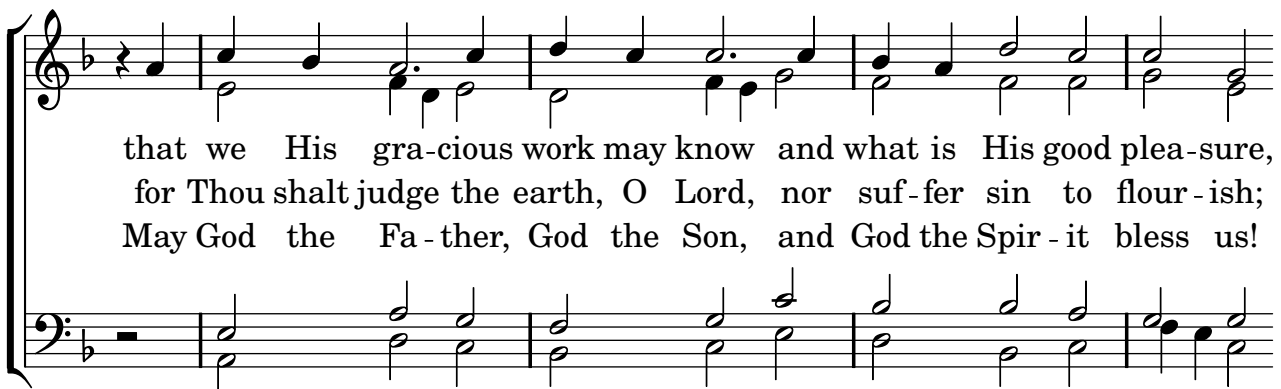
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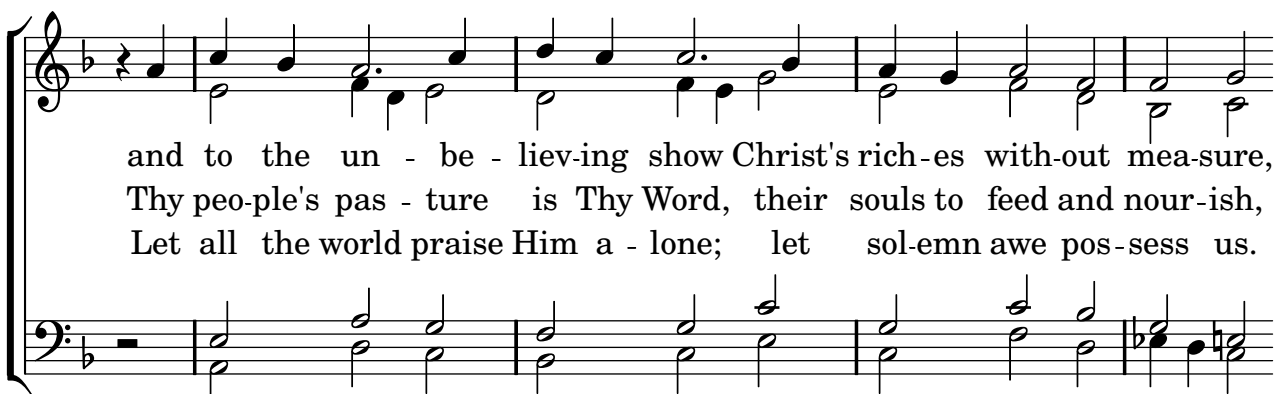
1 May God be-stow on us His grace, with bless-ings rich pro-vide us,
2 To Thee shall be the high - est praise and thanks of ev - 'ry na - tion,
3 Oh, let the peo - ple praise Thy worth, in all good works in-creas-ing.



and may the bright-ness of His face to life e-ter - nal guide us,
and all the world with joy shall raise the voice of ex - ul - ta - tion,
The land shall plen - teous fruit bring forth; Thy Word is rich in bless-ing.



that we His gra-cious work may know and what is His good plea-sure,
for Thou shalt judge the earth, O Lord, nor suf-fer sin to flour-ish;
May God the Fa-ther, God the Son, and God the Spir-it bless us!



and to the un - be - liev-ing show Christ's rich-es with-out mea-sure,
Thy peo-ple's pas - ture is Thy Word, their souls to feed and nour-ish,
Let all the world praise Him a - lone; let sol-emn awe pos-sess us.

and un - to God con - vert them.
in right - eous paths to keep them.
Now let our hearts say, "A - men."