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Moderato Quarter Note = 128

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S.  
A.

T.  
B.

Two systems of vocal staves. The first system contains four staves for Soprano and Alto (S. A.) and Tenor and Bass (T. B.). The second system contains four staves for Tenor and Bass (T. B.). All staves are in common time (C) and contain whole rests.

Organ introduction. The right hand (treble clef) plays a melodic line starting with a quarter rest, followed by eighth and quarter notes. The left hand (bass clef) plays a chordal accompaniment with sustained notes. The dynamic marking is *f*.

Vocal entry. The Soprano and Alto parts enter with the lyrics "Strong Son of God, im - mor - tal love, ---". The Tenor and Bass parts enter with a similar melodic line. The organ accompaniment continues. The dynamic marking is *f*.

Organ accompaniment. The right hand plays chords and moving lines. The left hand plays a steady bass line. The dynamic marking is *f*.

Vocal entry. The Soprano and Alto parts enter with the lyrics "Whom we that have not seen thy face ----- By faith, and faith a - lone, em -". The Tenor and Bass parts enter with a similar melodic line. The organ accompaniment continues.

Organ accompaniment. The right hand plays chords and moving lines. The left hand plays a steady bass line. The dynamic marking is *f*.

brace, ----- Be - liev - ing where we can - not prove; -----

*mf* *cresc. poco a poco*

Thou wilt not leave us in the dust: ----- Thou mad - est

*mf* *cresc. poco a poco*

man, he knows not why, ----- He thinks he was not made to die, -----

*ff*

And thou hast made him: thou art just. -----

*ff* *diminuendo rit.* *mp*

*Andante mp*

Thou seem-est hu - man and di - vine, ----- The high - est, ho - liest man - hood

thou: ----- Our wills are ours, we know not how; ----- Our wills are

our to make them thine. -----

*mp cresc.* *accelerando*

This system contains the first vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with the lyrics "our to make them thine." followed by a dotted line. The piano accompaniment features a melody in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand. The tempo and dynamics markings are *mp cresc.* and *accelerando*.

*a tempo*

This system contains the second piano accompaniment system. The right hand has a melodic line with some grace notes, and the left hand has a bass line. The tempo marking is *a tempo*.

*f*

Our lit - tle sys - tems have their day, ----- They have their

*f*

This system contains the third vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with the lyrics "Our lit - tle sys - tems have their day, ----- They have their". The piano accompaniment features a melody in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand. The dynamic marking is *f*.

day and cease to be: ----- They are but bro - ken lights of thee, ----- And thou, O

The first system of the musical score consists of two staves. The upper staff is a vocal line in treble clef, and the lower staff is a piano accompaniment in bass clef. The lyrics are: "day and cease to be: ----- They are but bro - ken lights of thee, ----- And thou, O". The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line and chords in the right hand.

Lord, art more than they. ----- Strong Son of God, strong Son of

The second system of the musical score consists of two staves. The upper staff is a vocal line in treble clef, and the lower staff is a piano accompaniment in bass clef. The lyrics are: "Lord, art more than they. ----- Strong Son of God, strong Son of". The piano accompaniment continues with a similar rhythmic pattern to the first system.

*rit.* **adagio** God, ----- strong Son of God, ----- im - mor - tal love! -----

The third system of the musical score consists of two staves. The upper staff is a vocal line in treble clef, and the lower staff is a piano accompaniment in bass clef. The lyrics are: "God, ----- strong Son of God, ----- im - mor - tal love! -----". The tempo markings *rit.* and **adagio** are placed above the first staff. The piano accompaniment features a more sustained and slower-moving accompaniment.

*rit.* **adagio**

The fourth system of the musical score consists of two staves, both in piano accompaniment. The upper staff is in treble clef and the lower staff is in bass clef. The tempo markings *rit.* and **adagio** are placed above the first staff. The piano accompaniment continues with a sustained and slow-moving accompaniment.