

Foreword

As a lifelong church pianist and organist, I have been called upon countless times to play for memorial services. In most cases, this calls for an extended, meditative prelude and a joyful postlude. I have found it extremely helpful to have a standard setlist for these occasions and over the last few years, that setlist has developed into this collection of piano solos.

The layout of this book is intended to depict a journey, beginning on “Jordan’s stormy banks” and looking toward the promised land. In the setting of a memorial service, the bright modal setting of PROMISED LAND works well as a postlude. Beginning with “Amazing Grace,” the next seven pieces may be played one after another as a prelude. Modulatory material and options for shortening some of the pieces are included.

I have included “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” outside of the prelude list because I am often asked to play this as a solo for memorial services. If included in a prelude, it works well between “There Is a Balm in Gilead” and “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms.” Many of the memorial services I play request that “Hymn to Joy” be played for the postlude, so I conclude the collection with this piece, which draws much of its inspiration from Ludwig van Beethoven’s original setting in Symphony No. 9.

When I am arranging hymns, I usually draw my ideas from the lyrics of the text that I associate with the music. I have included some of these throughout the collection. It is my hope that whether you are ministering to others or playing these pieces for personal enjoyment, you will be comforted by the hope each of these hymn texts promise.

—Shelton Ridge Love

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I Am Bound for the Promised Land

Words by
Samuel Stennett (1727–1795)

Shelton Ridge Love
Tune: PROMISED LAND
by Matilda T. Durham (1815–1901)

Allegro spiritoso $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 72-76$

The musical score is written for piano in 2/2 time, featuring a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of four systems of staves. The first system (measures 1-4) begins with a forte (*f*) dynamic. The second system (measures 5-8) continues the melody. The third system (measures 9-12) includes a piano (*p*) dynamic and a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic. The fourth system (measures 13-16) concludes the piece. A large, diagonal yellow watermark reading 'SAMPLE' is overlaid across the entire score.

Duration: 3:10/1:45

17

non legato

21

25

29

f

33

rit.

Gently flowing $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 63-66$

mp legato

* Optional skip to m. 74

53

p

57

61

65

mf

69

p *mf* *p* *rit.*

94

Measures 94-97 of a musical score in B-flat major. The right hand features a melody with eighth and quarter notes, while the left hand provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes. A large yellow 'SAMPLE' watermark is overlaid diagonally across the page.

98

Measures 98-101. Measure 99 includes a dynamic marking of *mp*. Measure 100 features a key signature change to C major, indicated by a double sharp on the F line. The notation continues with various note values and rests.

102

Measures 102-105. Measure 103 includes a dynamic marking of *f*. Measure 104 includes a dynamic marking of *mp*. The score shows a mix of eighth and quarter notes in both hands.

106

Measures 106-108. Measure 107 includes a dynamic marking of *f*. The right hand has a melodic line with a first ending bracket over the final measure. The left hand consists of chords and single notes.

109

Measures 109-112. Measure 109 includes a dynamic marking of *ff*. Measure 110 includes a key signature change to C major, indicated by a double sharp on the F line. The right hand features a complex melodic line with many beamed eighth notes and fingerings (1, 2, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2). The left hand provides a steady accompaniment.

Amazing Grace

Words by
John Newton (1725–1807)

Shelton Ridge Love
Tune: NEW BRITAIN
from **Virginia Harmony**

Gently ♩ = ca. 72-76

mp

5

mp

9

13

Duration: 3:55/3:10

How precious did that grace appear

37

mp *p*

The hour I first believed.

41

rit. *f a tempo*

I have already come.

45

'Tis grace has brought me...

49

mp (bring out melody)

And grace will lead me home.

53

* Optional skip to m. 58

We've no less days to sing God's praise...

75

ff a tempo

78

f dim. poco a poco

82

mp

86

rit. p

Andante con rubato ♩ = ca. 60-63

89

pp

Optional: move directly to *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Words by
Joseph M. Scriven (1819–1886)

Shelton Ridge Love
Tune: CONVERSE
by **Charles C. Converse** (1832–1918)

Thoughtfully ♩ = ca. 60-66

mp

What a friend we have...

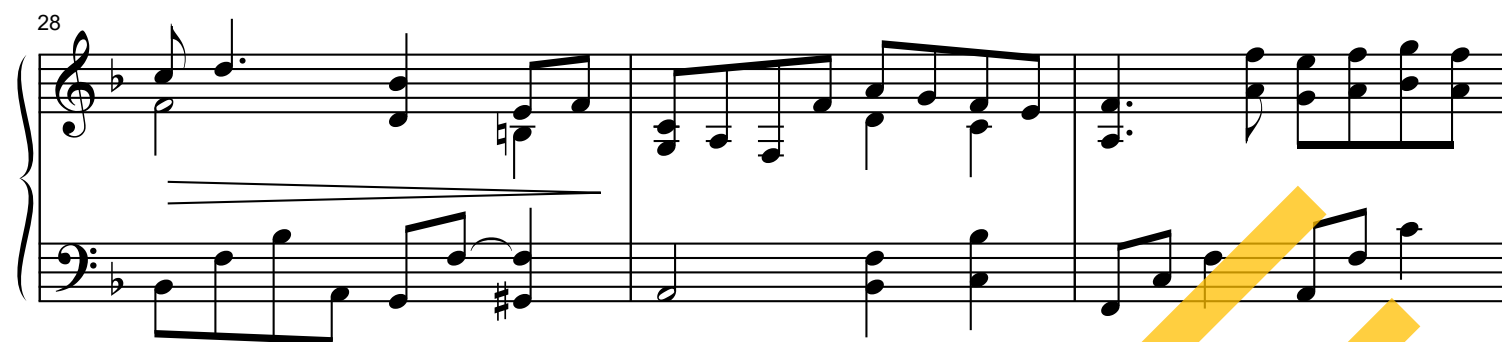
All our sins and griefs to bear!

What a privilege to carry *Everything to God...*

The image shows a piano score for the hymn 'What a Friend We Have in Jesus'. It consists of four systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The first system starts with a tempo marking 'Thoughtfully' and a note value '♩ = ca. 60-66'. The second system has a measure number '4' at the beginning. The third system has a measure number '7' at the beginning. The fourth system has a measure number '10' at the beginning. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings like 'mp'. There are also large, stylized yellow letters 'SAMPLE' overlaid on the score.

Duration: 4:20

28



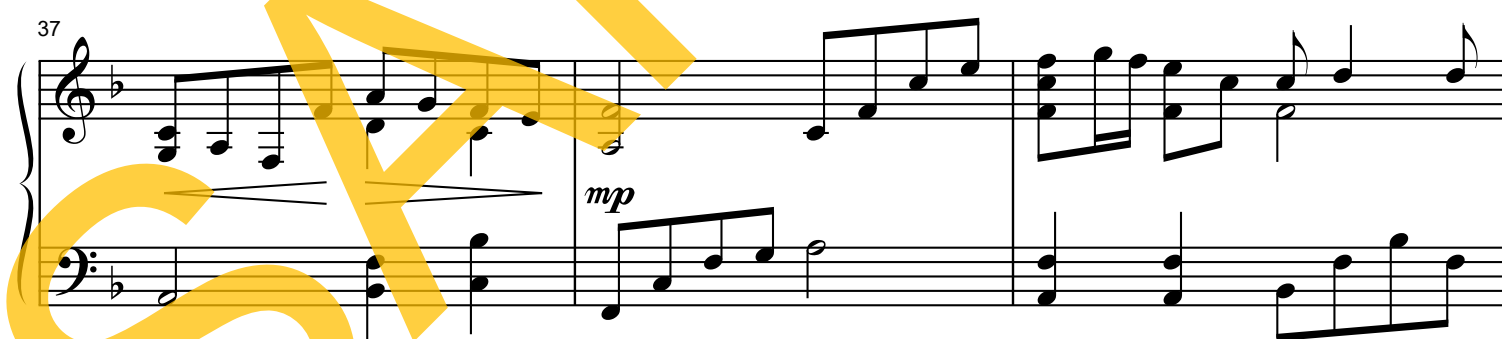
31 *Can we find a friend so faithful...*



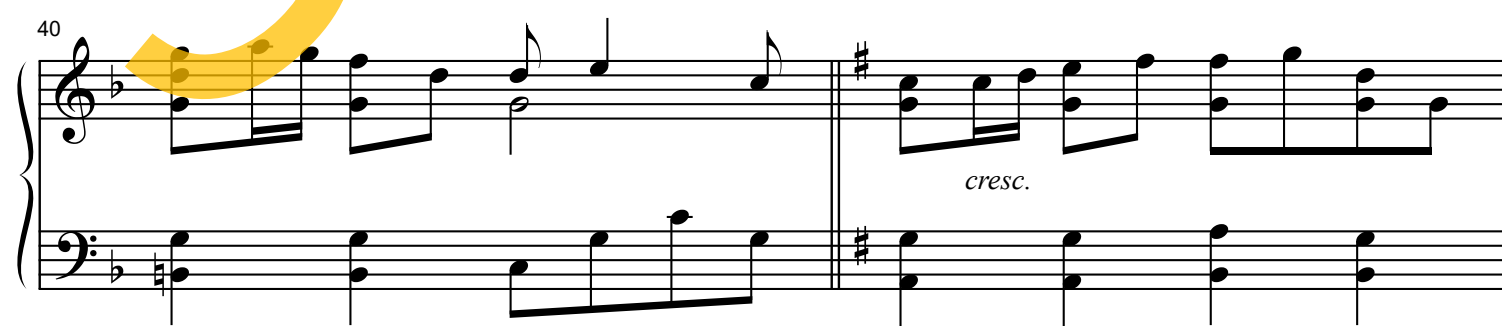
34



37 *mp*



40 *cresc.*



56

molto rit.

a tempo

mp

59

rit.

a tempo

p

62

rit.

a tempo

p

65

Arrangement Ending

rit. al fine

p

p

68

Optional Transition to *There Is a Balm in Gilead*

rit.

p

8va

There Is a Balm in Gilead

Words: Traditional Spiritual

Shelton Ridge Love

Tune: BALM IN GILEAD

Traditional Spiritual

Espressivo ♩ = ca. 80-88

8^{va} -----, loco

p

5 *There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole.*

8^{va} -----

(mel.)

rall.

9 *There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.*

(8^{va}) -----

a tempo

13 (8^{va}) -----, loco

Sometimes I feel discouraged...

mp (bring out melody)

17 *But then the Holy Spirit...*

Duration: 2:55

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39

42

46

50

54

loco

rit. al fine

mf

mp

p

8va

loco

8

Optional: move directly to *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Words by
Elisha A. Hoffman (1839–1929)

Shelton Ridge Love
Tune: SHOWALTER
by Anthony J. Showalter (1858–1924)

Andante cantabile ♩ = ca. 66-72

The musical score is written for piano in 12/8 time, featuring a treble and bass staff. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The tempo is marked 'Andante cantabile' with a quarter note equal to approximately 66-72 beats per minute. The score is divided into measures, with measure numbers 3, 5, 7, and 9 indicated at the start of their respective systems. The first system (measures 1-2) is marked *mp* *molto espressivo*. The second system (measures 3-4) features a *p* (piano) dynamic in measure 4. The third system (measures 5-6) includes the instruction '(bring out melody)' above measure 5, which is marked *mp*. The fourth system (measures 7-8) shows a melodic line in the treble staff with a fermata and a second ending marked with a '2'. The fifth system (measures 9-10) continues the melody. A large, diagonal yellow watermark reading 'SAMPLE' is overlaid across the entire score.

Duration: 3:40/2:55

O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way...

25

Più mosso ♩ = ca. 76-84

26 (8va) *p mf*

O how bright the path grows from day to day...

30 *f*

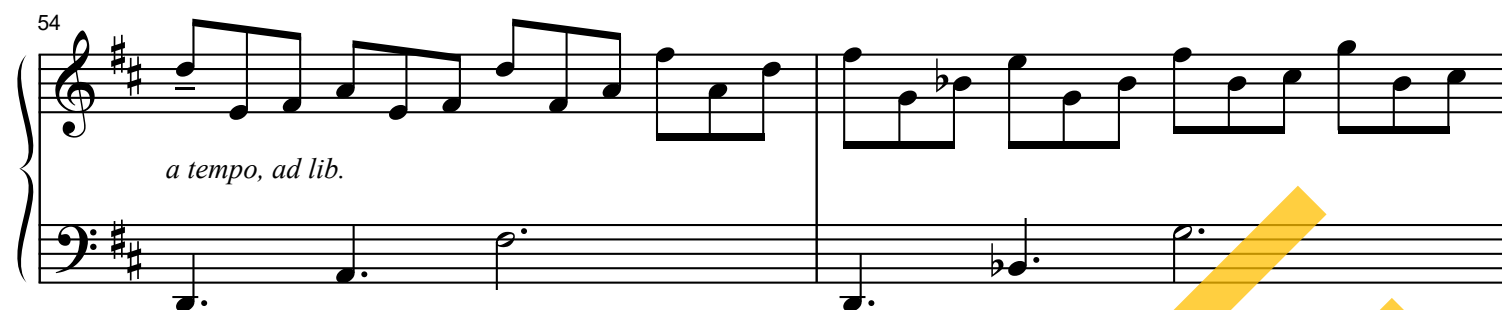
33 *poco rit. a tempo*

36 *mf f*

39 *rit. mp*

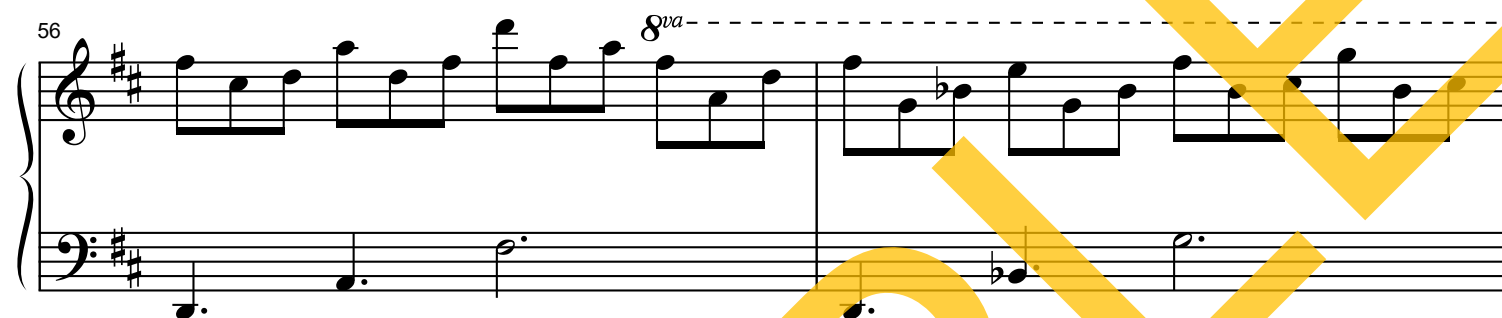
54

a tempo, ad lib.



56

8va-



58

(8va)-

Arrangement Ending

molto rit.



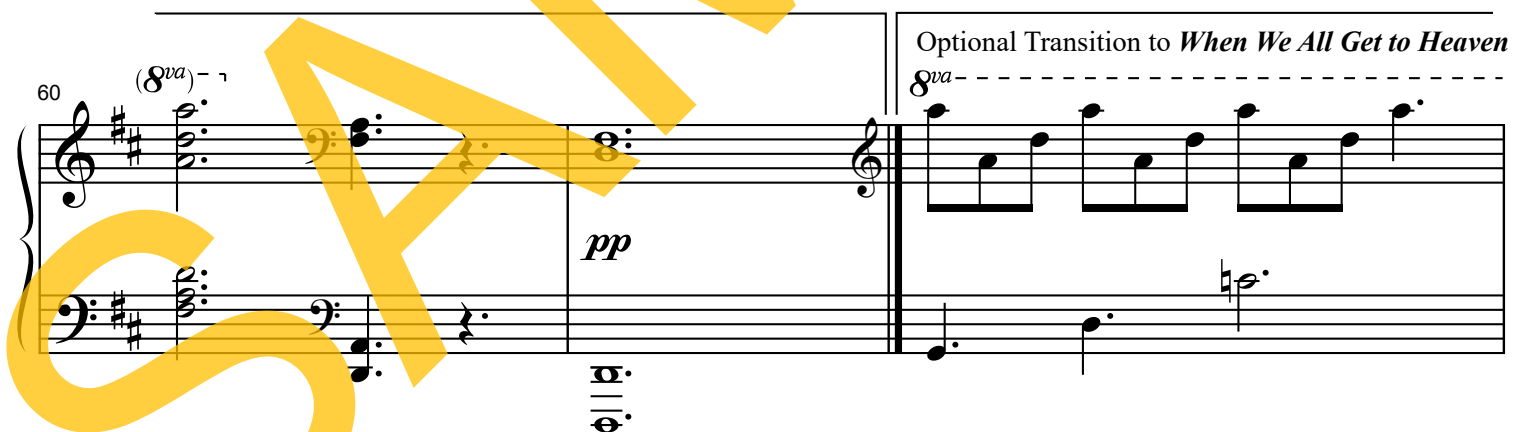
60

(8va)-

pp

Optional Transition to *When We All Get to Heaven*

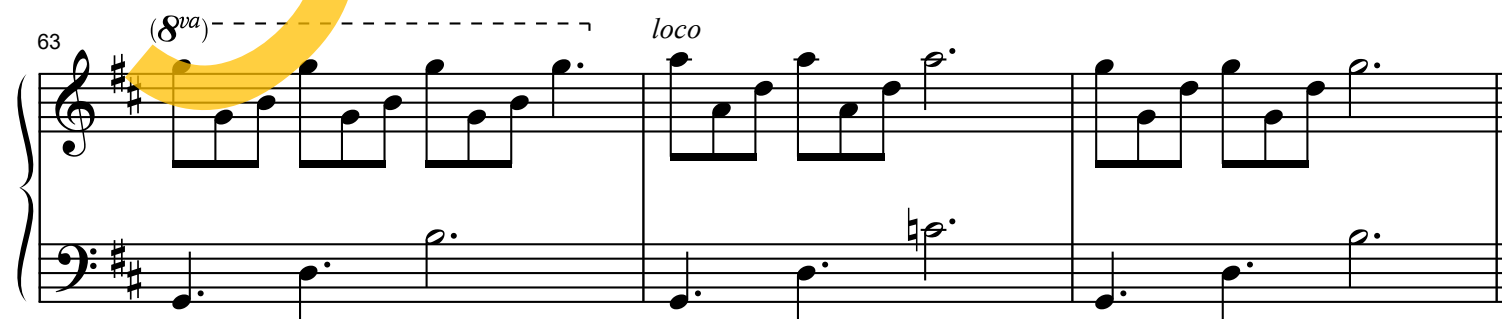
8va-



63

(8va)-

loco



When We All Get to Heaven

Words by
E. E. Hewitt (1851–1920)

Shelton Ridge Love
Tune: HEAVEN
by Emily D. Wilson (1865–1942)

Andante con rubato ♩ = ca. 72-80

p

molto espressivo

mp

The musical score is written for piano in 4/4 time. It consists of four systems of staves. The first system starts with a tempo marking 'Andante con rubato' and a note value of 'ca. 72-80'. The second system begins with a measure number '5' and the instruction 'molto espressivo'. The third system begins with a measure number '8'. The fourth system begins with a measure number '11' and a dynamic marking 'mp'. The score is overlaid with a large, diagonal yellow watermark that reads 'SAMPLE'.

Duration: 3:55

31

cresc.

f

34

37

dim.

rit.

8vb

Let us then be true and faithful...

40

Risoluto ♩ = ca. 72-80

mp (bring out melody)

loco

Just one glimpse...

43

p

47

p *cresc.*

50

accel. *rit.* *f* *a tempo*

Onward to the prize before us...

53

55

58

rit. *ff*

61 *a tempo* *f* 3

64 *rit.* 3 3 *ff* 3 3 **Grandioso** ♩ = ca. 69-72

66 *mf* 3 3

69 *rit. al fine* *p*

72 *pp* *ova*—

Optional: move directly to *In the Garden*

Words by
C. Austin Miles (1868–1946)

In the Garden

Shelton Ridge Love
Tune: GARDEN
by C. Austin Miles (1868–1946)

Reflectively ♩ = ca. 84–88

mp legato

5

9

13

17

p

mp

(bring out melody)

cresc.

Duration: 5:00/3:20

41

mf *dim.*

45

mp *mf*

He speaks, and the sound of his voice is so *sweet*

49

p (bring out melody)

The birds *hush* their singing;

53

p

57

mf

83

mf

With assurance ♩ = ca. 76-84

I'd stay in the garden with him

87

poco rit.

f

Though the night around me is falling;

91

mp

But he bids me go;

95

gradually building

Through the voice of woe, his voice to me is calling.

99

124

cross over RH
8va *mp*

128

132

rit. *cross over RH*
8va *p*

136

Arrangement Ending

8va

140

Optional Transition to *Tell It to Jesus*

8va

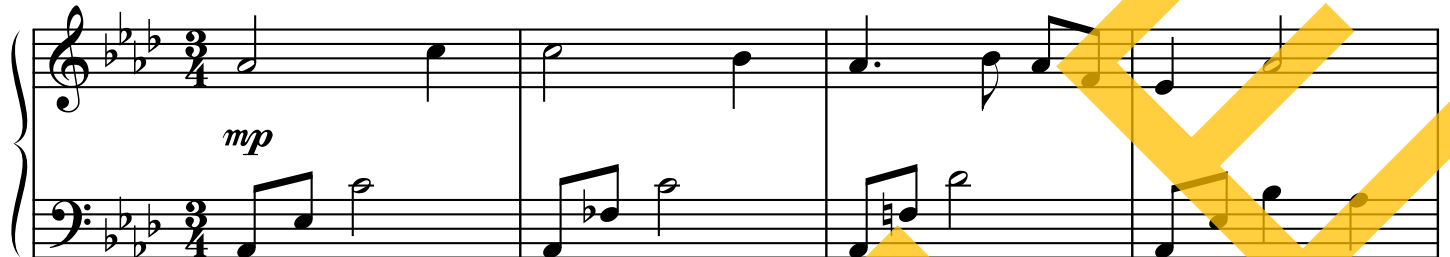
Tell It to Jesus

Words by
Jeremiah E. Rankin (1828–1904)

Shelton Ridge Love
 Tune: DAYTON
 by **Edmund S. Lorenz** (1854–1942)

Are you weary, are you heavyhearted?

Espressivo e rubato ♩ = ca. 72-76



5 *Tell it to Jesus...*



9 *Are you grieving over joys departed?*



13 *Tell it to Jesus alone.*



Duration: 3:15

37

41

45

49

52

f

sub loco

3

55

59

rit. e dim.

mf

62

a tempo
mp

66

molto rit.
dim.

a tempo
p

8va-----

70

rit. al fine

loco

8va-----

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Words by

Thomas O. Chisholm (1866–1960)

Shelton Ridge Love

Tune: FAITHFULNESS

by William M. Runyan (1870–1957)

Moderato cantabile ♩ = ca. 80-88

The musical score is written for piano in 3/4 time. It consists of five systems of staves. The first system (measures 1-4) begins with a treble clef and a bass clef. The melody is in the treble, and the bass line is in the bass. Dynamics include *mf* and *p*. The second system (measures 5-8) continues the melody and bass line. The third system (measures 9-12) features a change in the treble line to a more active melody. The fourth system (measures 13-16) includes a key signature change to one sharp (F#) and a dynamic of *mp* *espressivo*. The fifth system (measures 17-20) concludes the piece with a final chord in the treble and a sustained bass line.

Duration: 5:20

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Join with all nature in manifold witness

42

cresc.



To thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

46

f *dim.*



50

mp

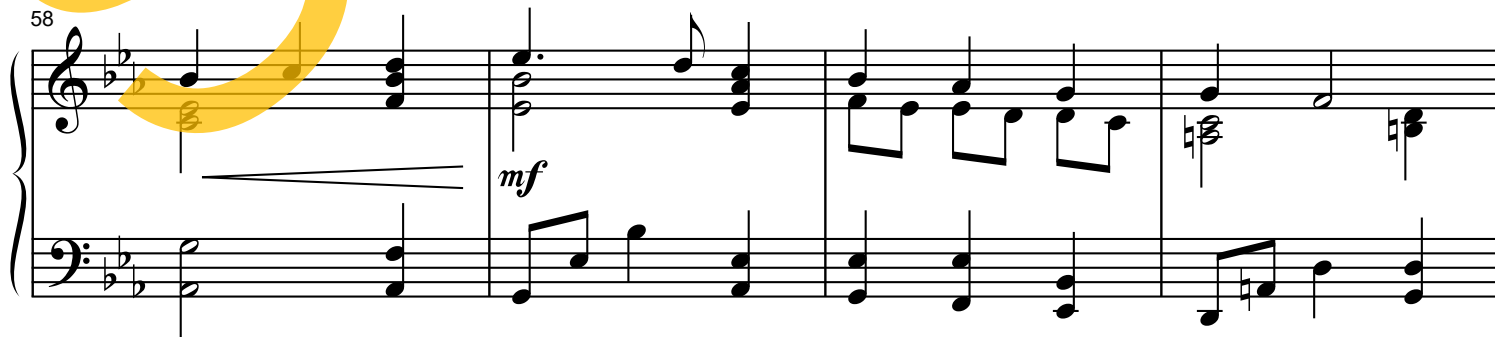


54



58

mf



82

rit.

87

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,

f *a tempo, with strength*

91

Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,

95

Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,

99

Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.

123

rit. poco a poco

127

p

mp molto espressivo

Andante con rubato ♩ = ca. 72-76

loco

132

8va

136

140

p

Hymn to Joy

51

Shelton Ridge Love

Tune: HYMN TO JOY

by Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

Allegro con energia ♩ = ca. 116-124

4

7

11

15

f

mf

mp

Duration: 3:30

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19

sf *mf*

23

mp

27

sf *mf*

30

mp

34

mf

57

mp

60

mf

63

poco rit.

f

Spiritoso ♩ = ca. 112-120

66

rit.

69

a tempo, grandioso

93



97



101

ff



104

Spiritoso



107

mf *ff*

