To Donald Kendrick

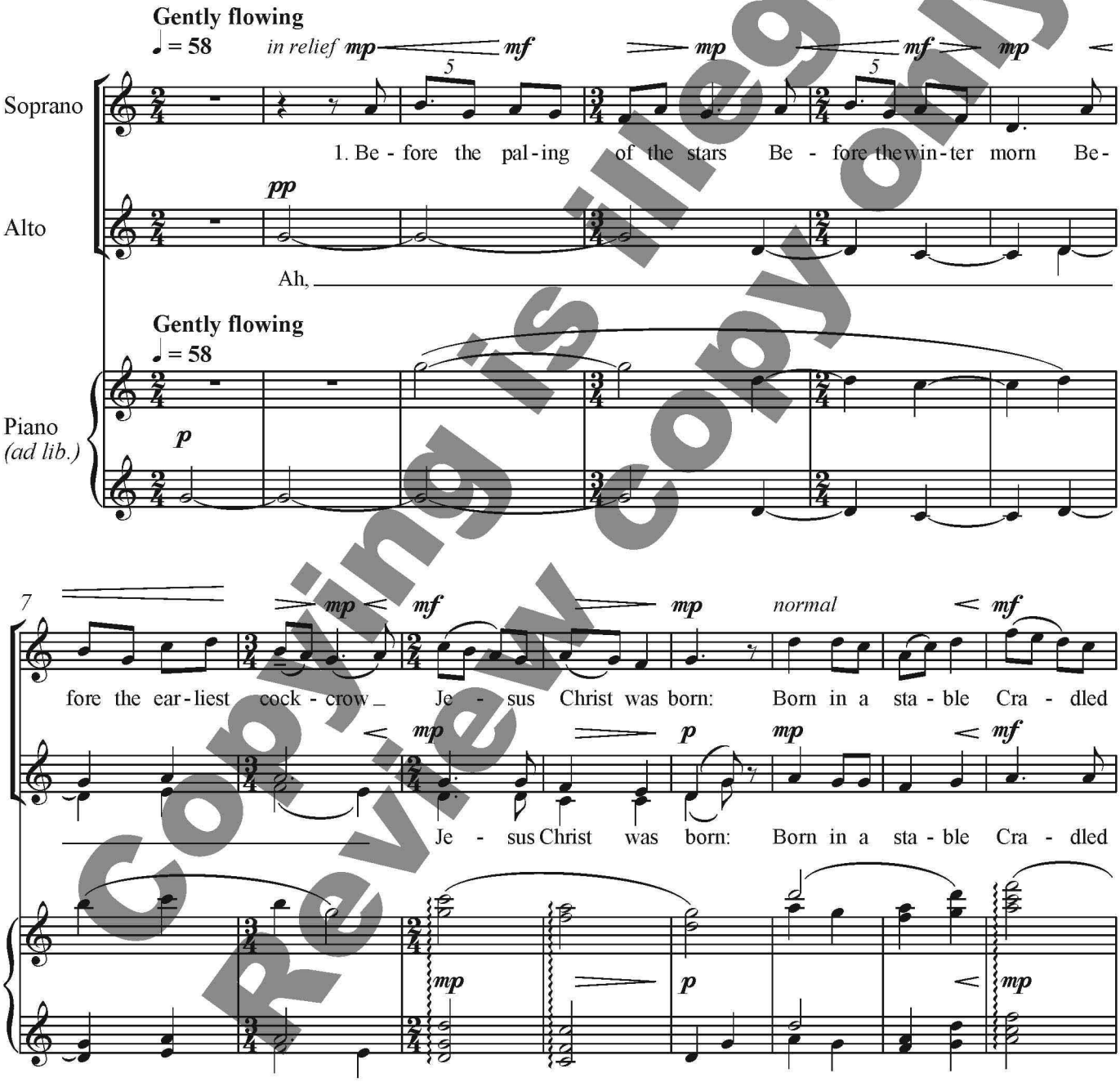
Two Christina Rossetti Carols

for SATB Chorus and Piano (ad lib.)

A Christmas Carol
Christina Rossetti (1830–1894)

Derek Healey

1. Before the paling of the stars



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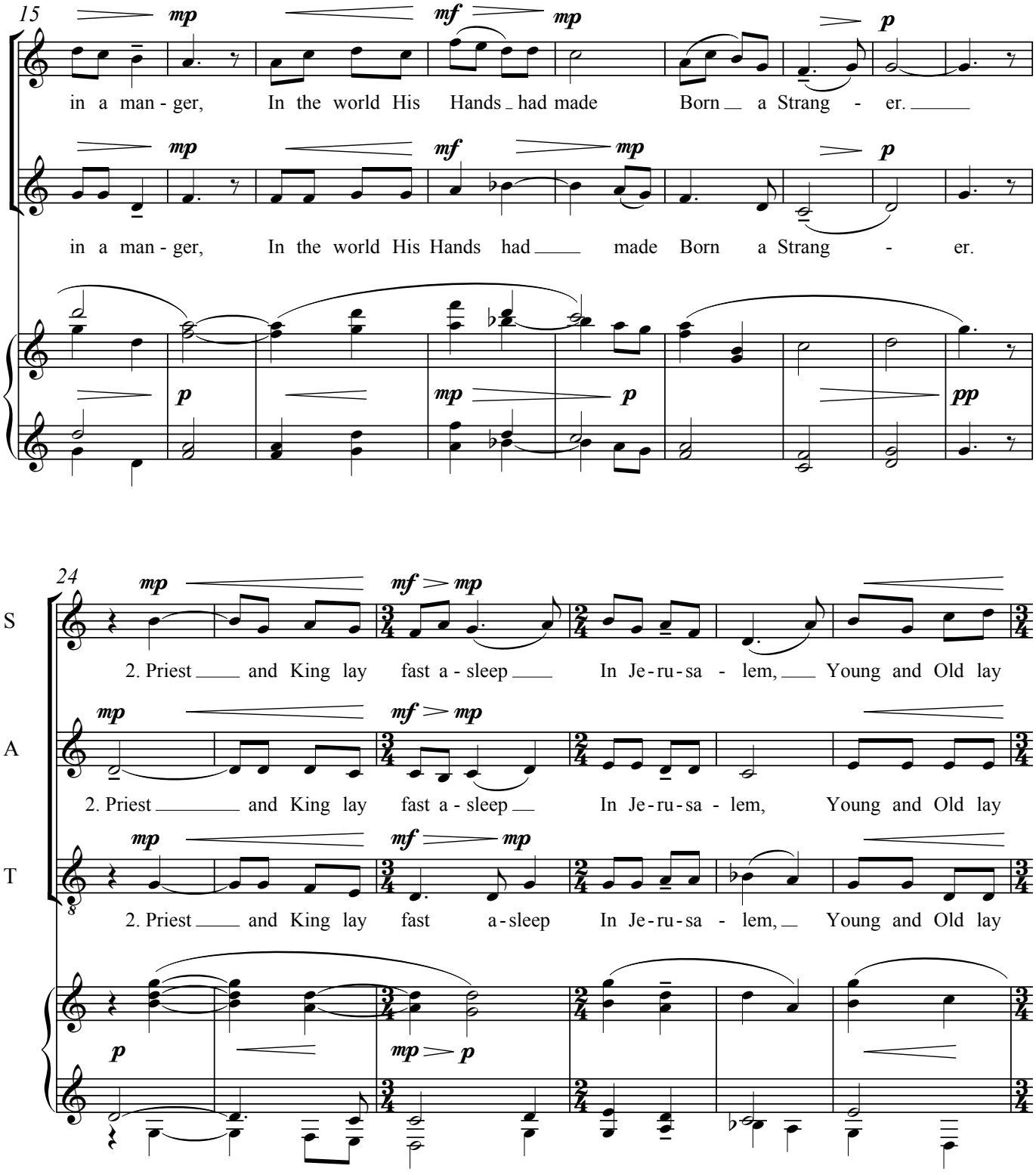
15
mp
mf
mp
p
in a man - ger, In the world His Hands had made Born a Strang - er.
mp
mf
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in a man - ger, In the world His Hands had made Born a Strang - er.
p
mp
p
pp
24
S
mp
mf
mp
2. Priest and King lay fast a - sleep In Je - ru - sa - lem, Young and Old lay
A
mp
mf
mp
2. Priest and King lay fast a - sleep In Je - ru - sa - lem, Young and Old lay
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2. Priest and King lay fast a-sleep In Je - ru - sa - lem, Young and Old lay
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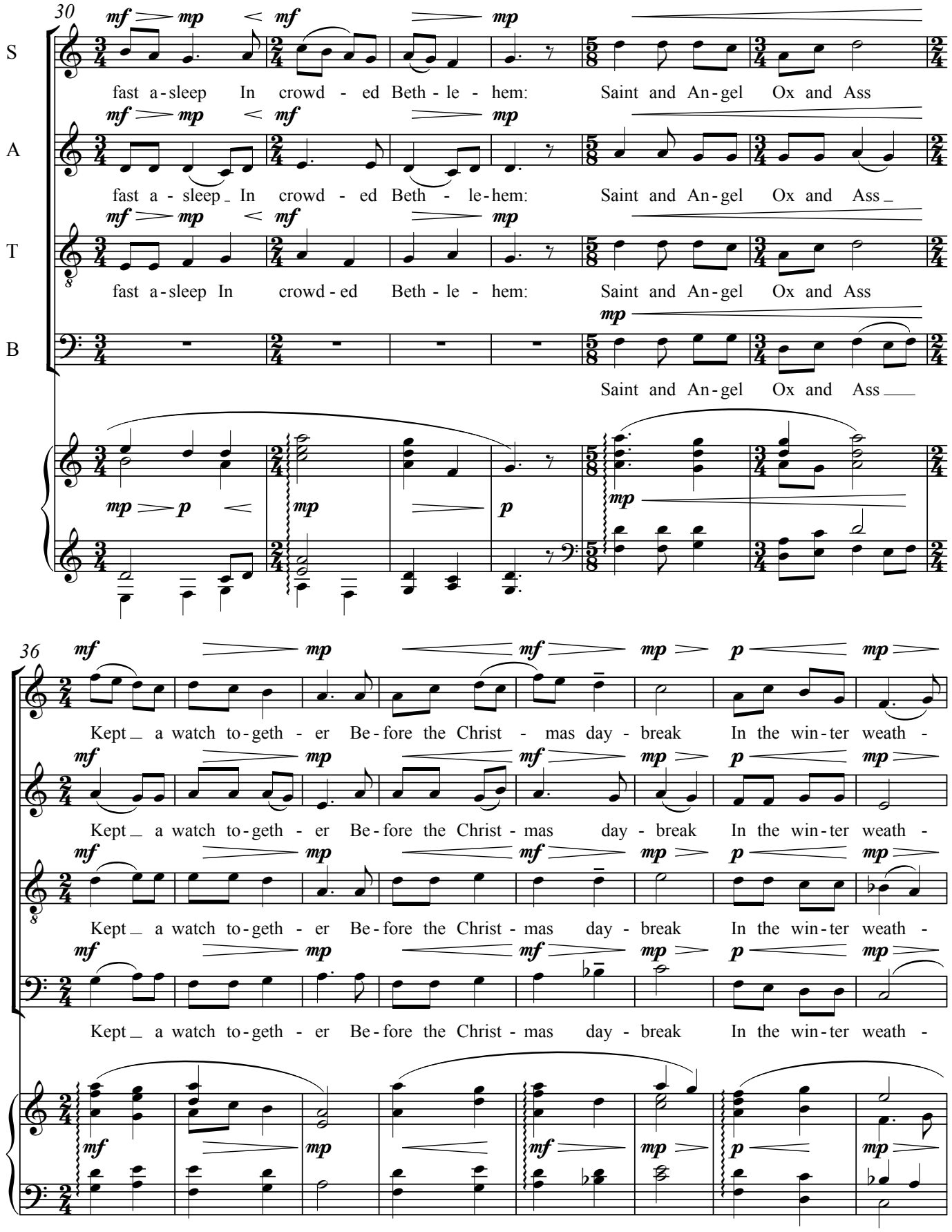
30
S
A
T
B
fast a - sleep In crowd - ed Beth - le - hem: Saint and An - gel Ox and Ass
fast a - sleep In crowd - ed Beth - le - hem: Saint and An - gel Ox and Ass
fast a - sleep In crowd - ed Beth - le - hem: Saint and An - gel Ox and Ass
Saint and An - gel Ox and Ass
36
Kept a watch to - geth - er Be - fore the Christ - mas day - break In the win - ter weath -
Kept a watch to - geth - er Be - fore the Christ - mas day - break In the win - ter weath -
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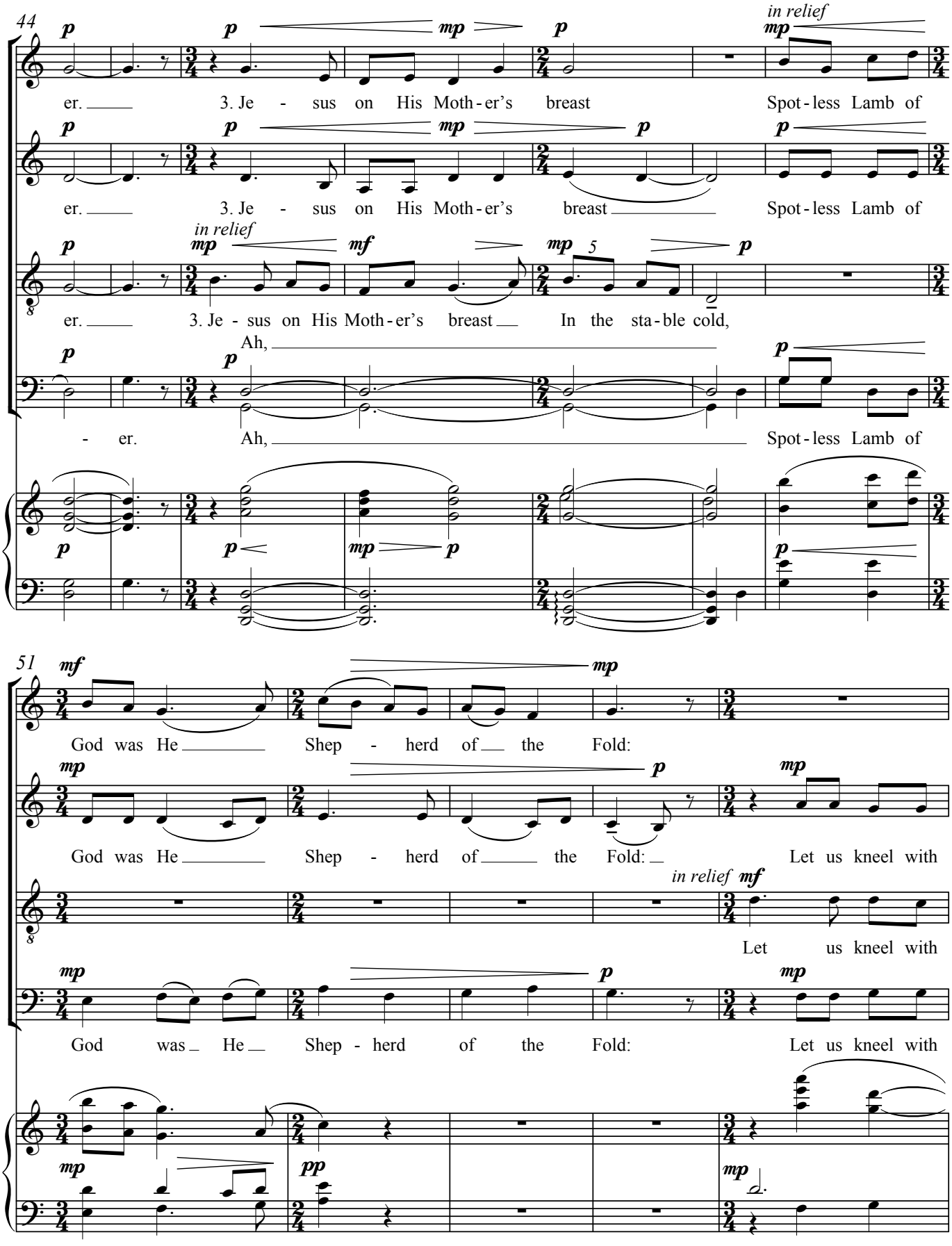
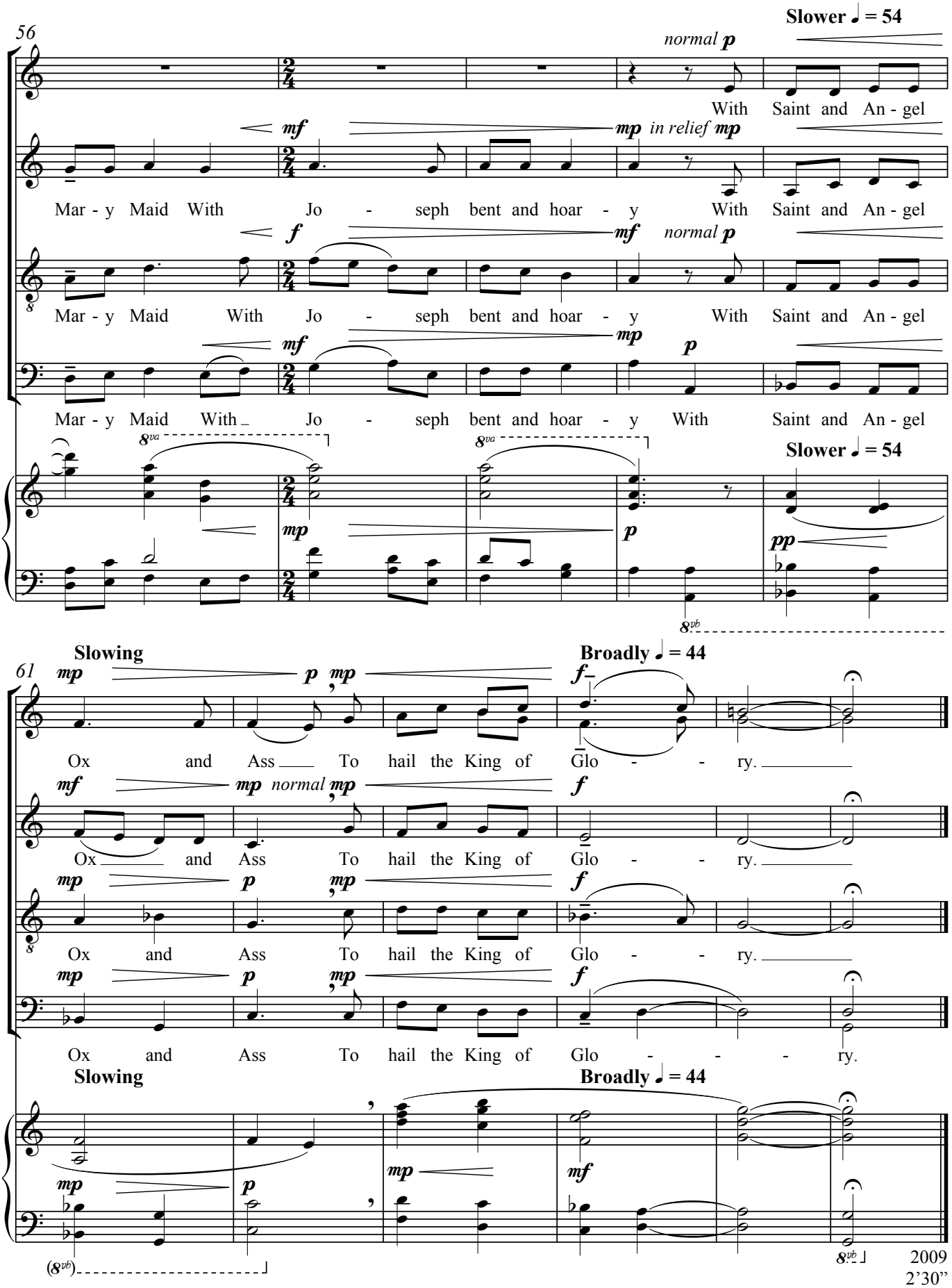

44
in relief
er. 3. Je - sus on His Moth - er's breast Spot - less Lamb of
er. 3. Je - sus on His Moth - er's breast Spot - less Lamb of
in relief
er. 3. Je - sus on His Moth - er's breast In the sta - ble cold,
Ah,
- er. Ah, Spot - less Lamb of
51
God was He Shep - herd of the Fold:
God was He Shep - herd of the Fold: Let us kneel with
in relief
Let us kneel with
God was He Shep - herd of the Fold: Let us kneel with


56
Slower ♩ = 54
normal p
With Saint and An - gel
mf
mp in relief mp
Mar - y Maid With Jo - seph bent and hoar - y With Saint and An - gel
f
mf
normal p
Mar - y Maid With Jo - seph bent and hoar - y With Saint and An - gel
mf
mp
p
Mar - y Maid With Jo - seph bent and hoar - y With Saint and An - gel
8va
8va
Slower ♩ = 54
mp
p
pp
8vb
61
Slowing
Broadly ♩ = 44
mp
p mp
f
Ox and Ass To hail the King of Glo - - ry.
mf
mp normal mp
f
Ox and Ass To hail the King of Glo - - ry.
mp
p
mp
f
Ox and Ass To hail the King of Glo - - ry.
mp
p
mp
f
Ox and Ass To hail the King of Glo - - ry.
Slowing
Broadly ♩ = 44
mp
p
mp
mf
(8vb)
8vb
2009
2'30"