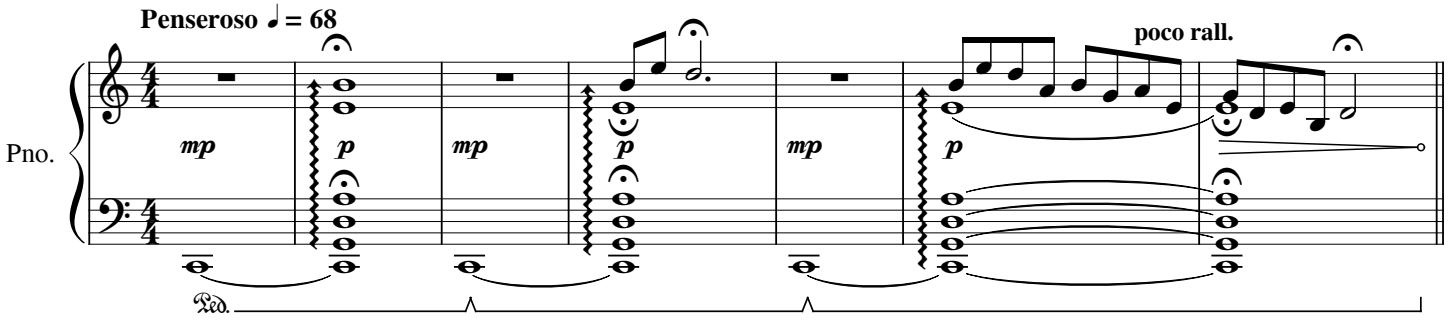
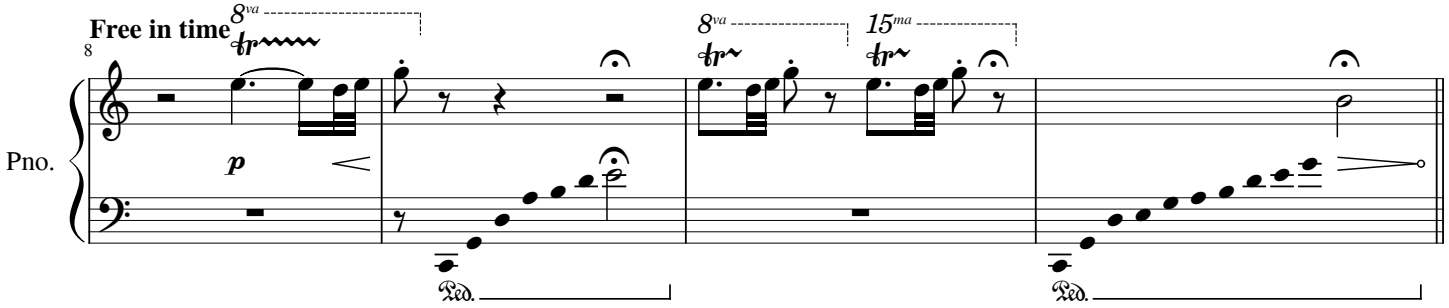
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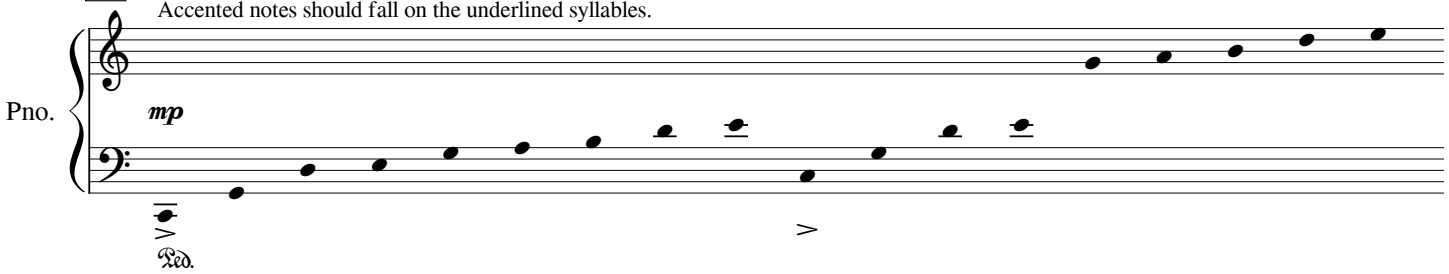
Text by Mary Dow Brine (1816-1913)
Original poem: The Awakening

Music by Stijn Dierckx (°1990)
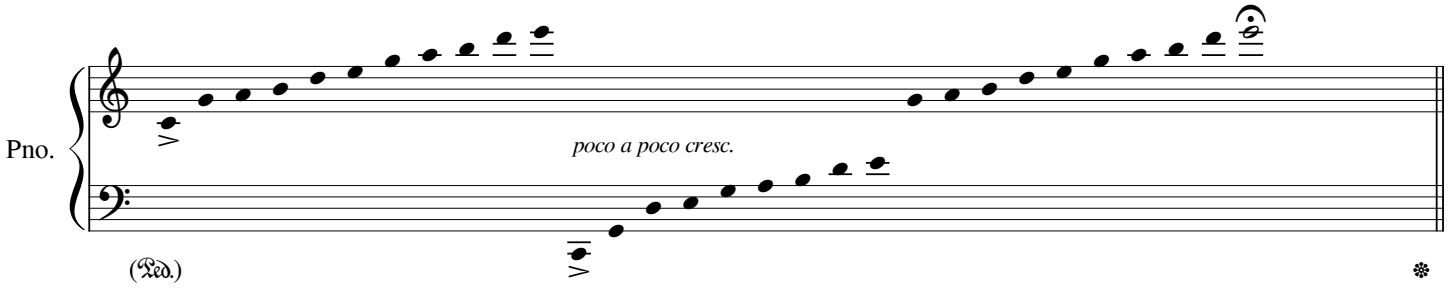




12 Play freely during spoken text below.
Accented notes should fall on the underlined syllables.
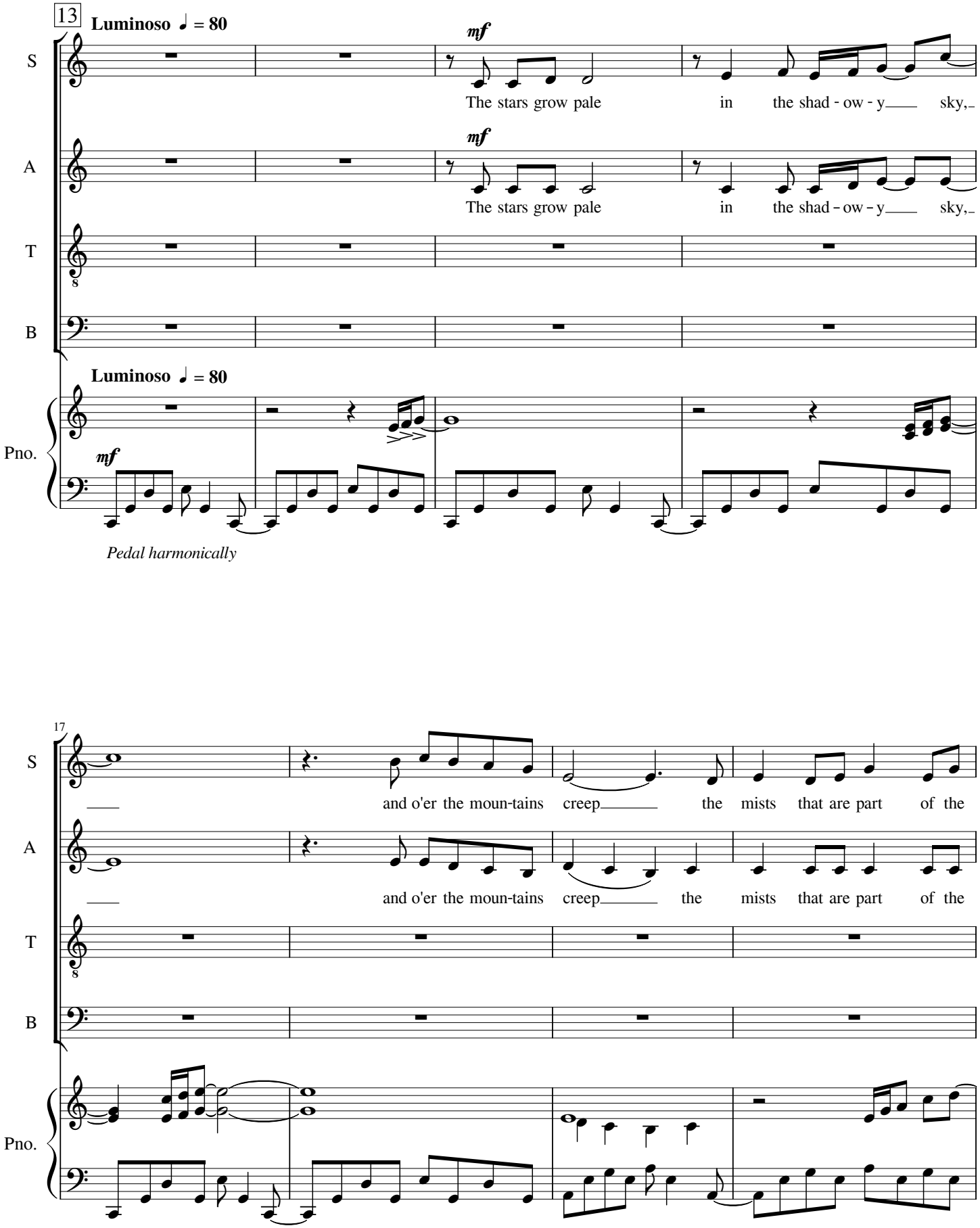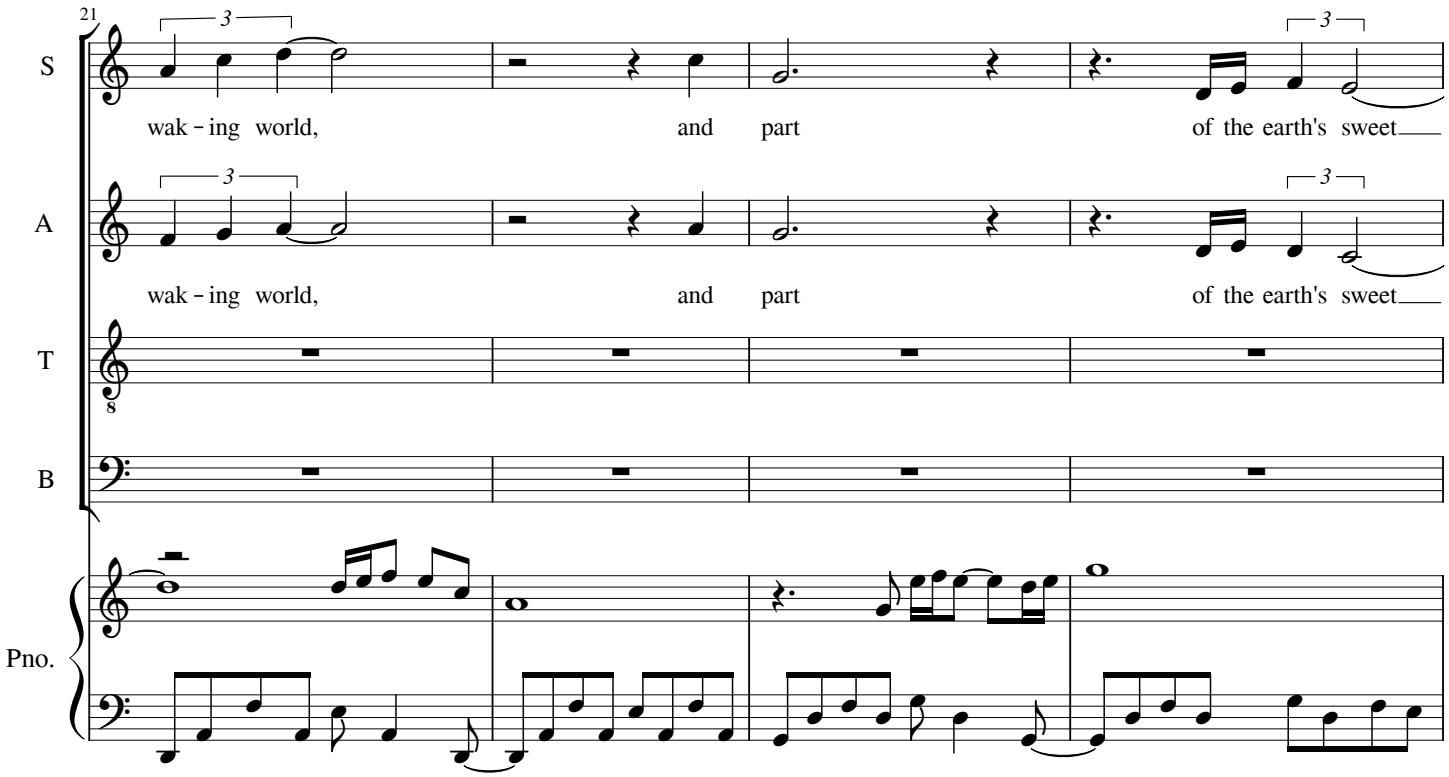


Spoken, preferable by a choir member with a warm but clear voice
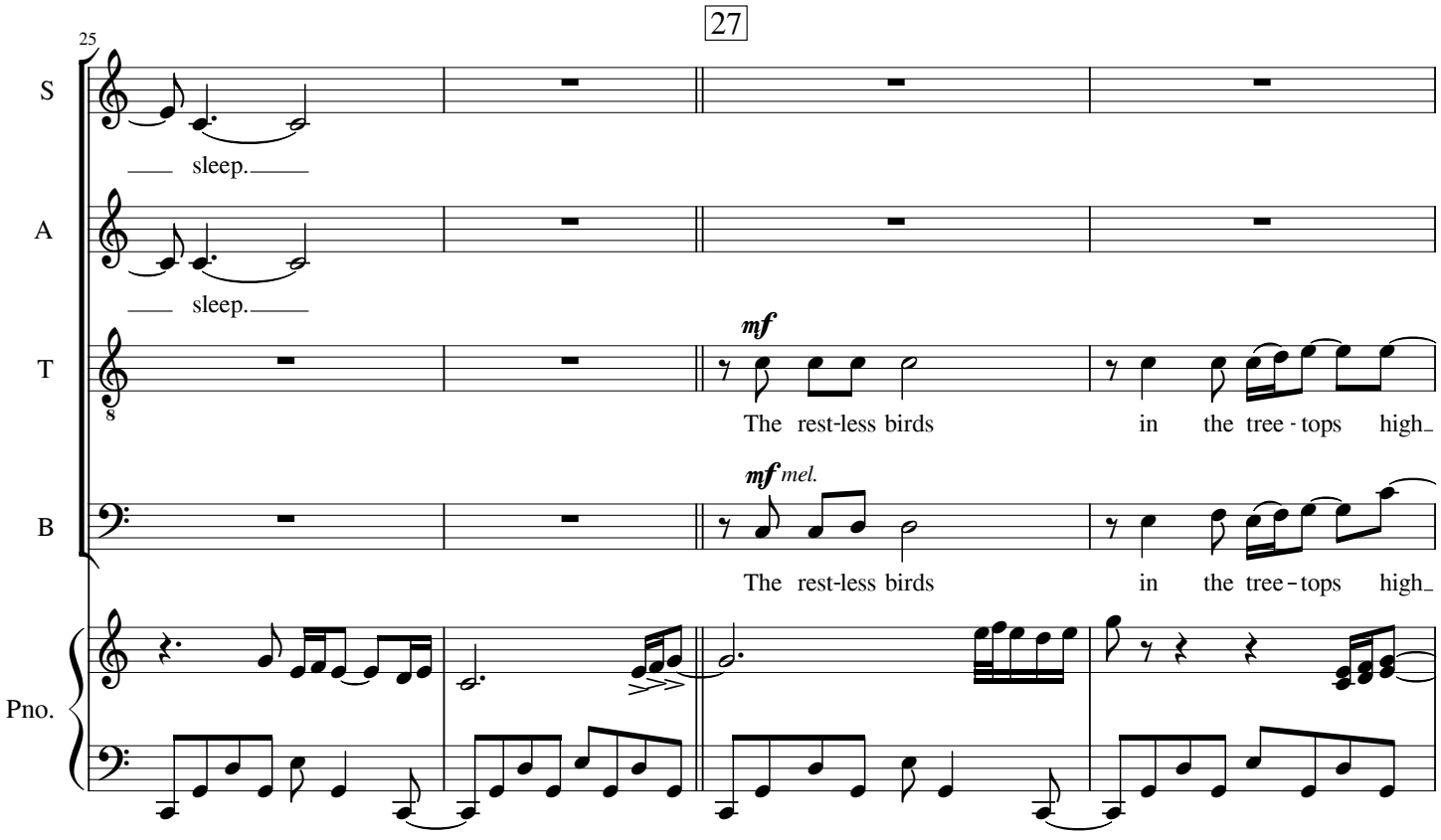
How fair it comes, the wonderful hour
When nature from sleep awakes,
And over the face of the earth at last
A newborn gladness breaks!
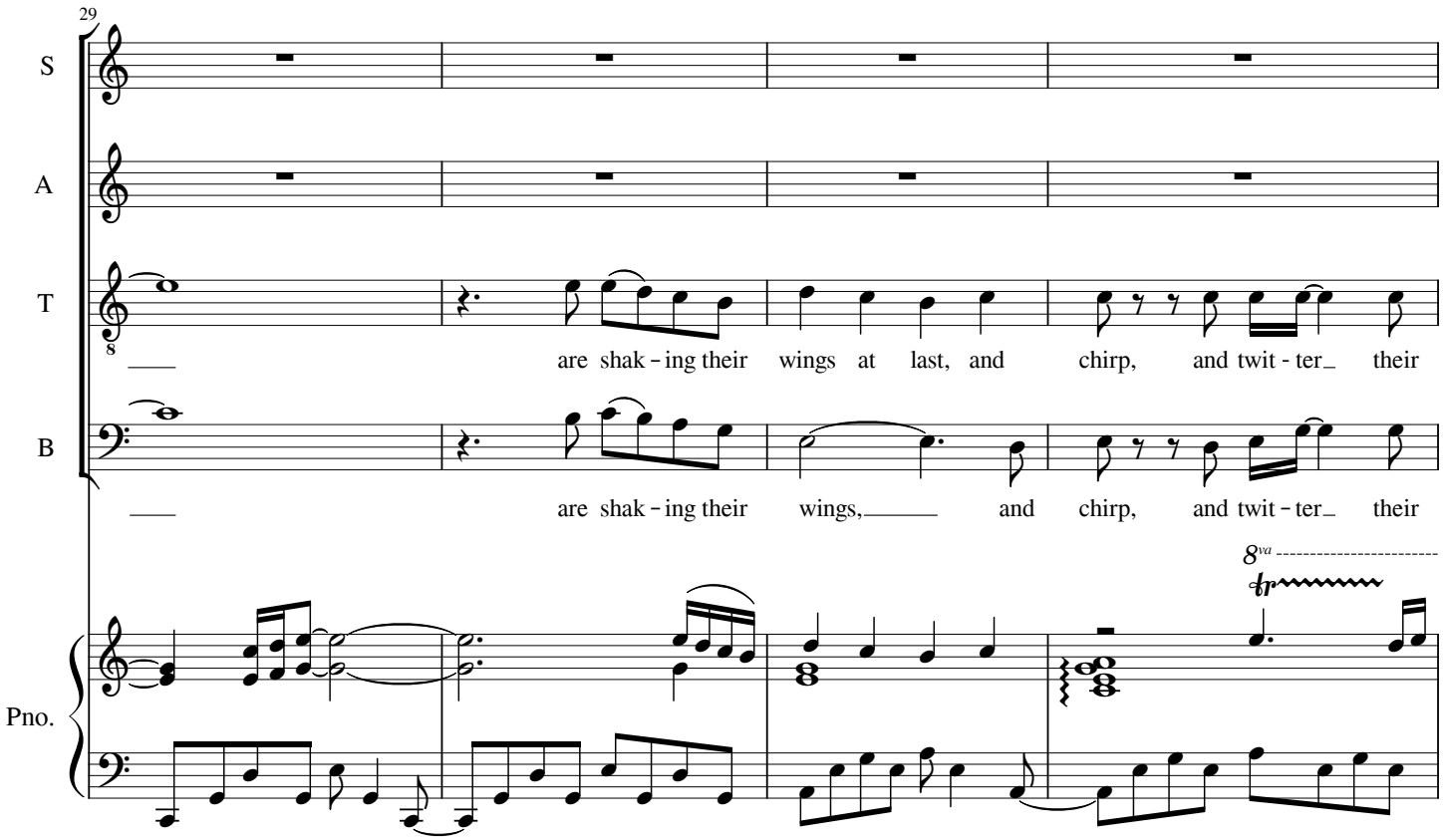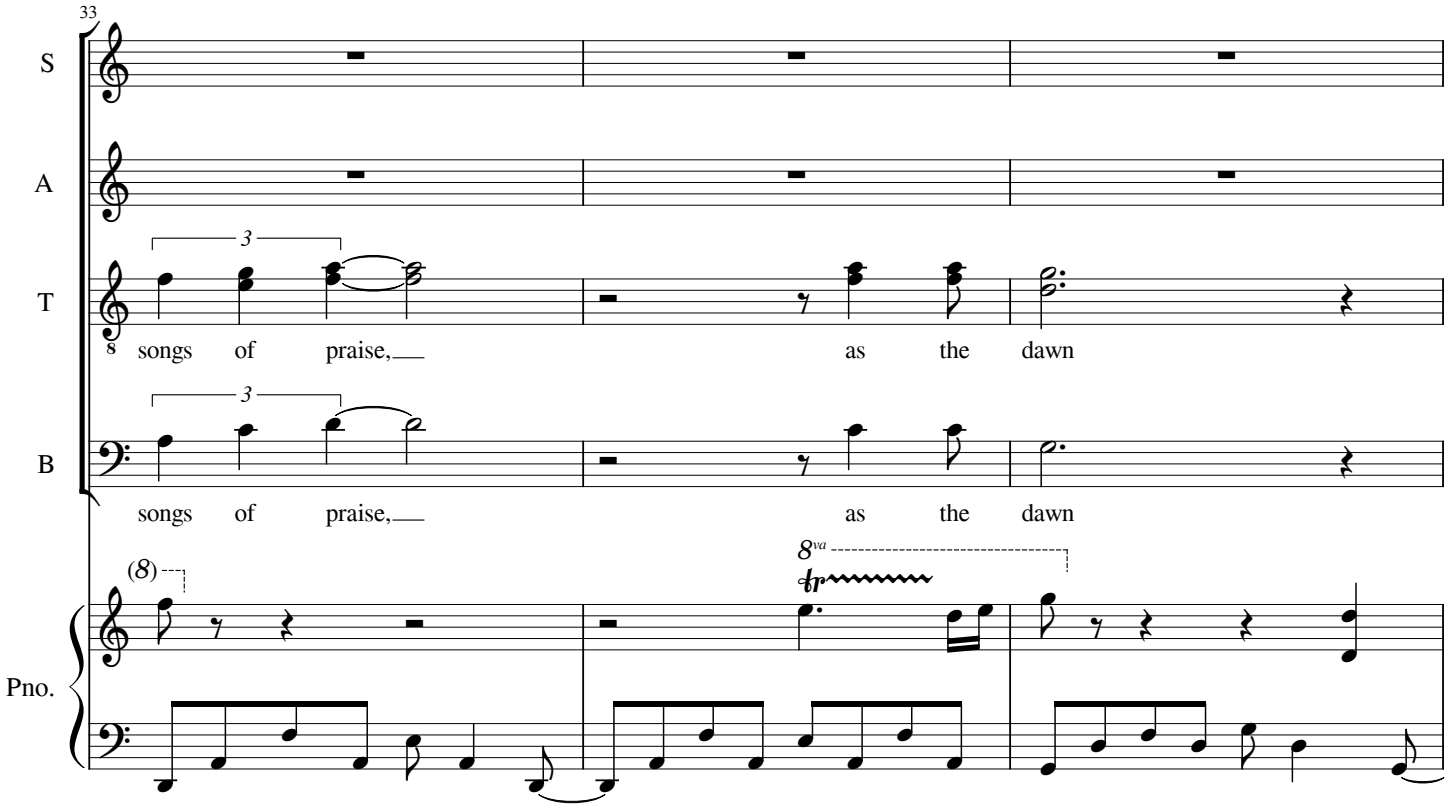


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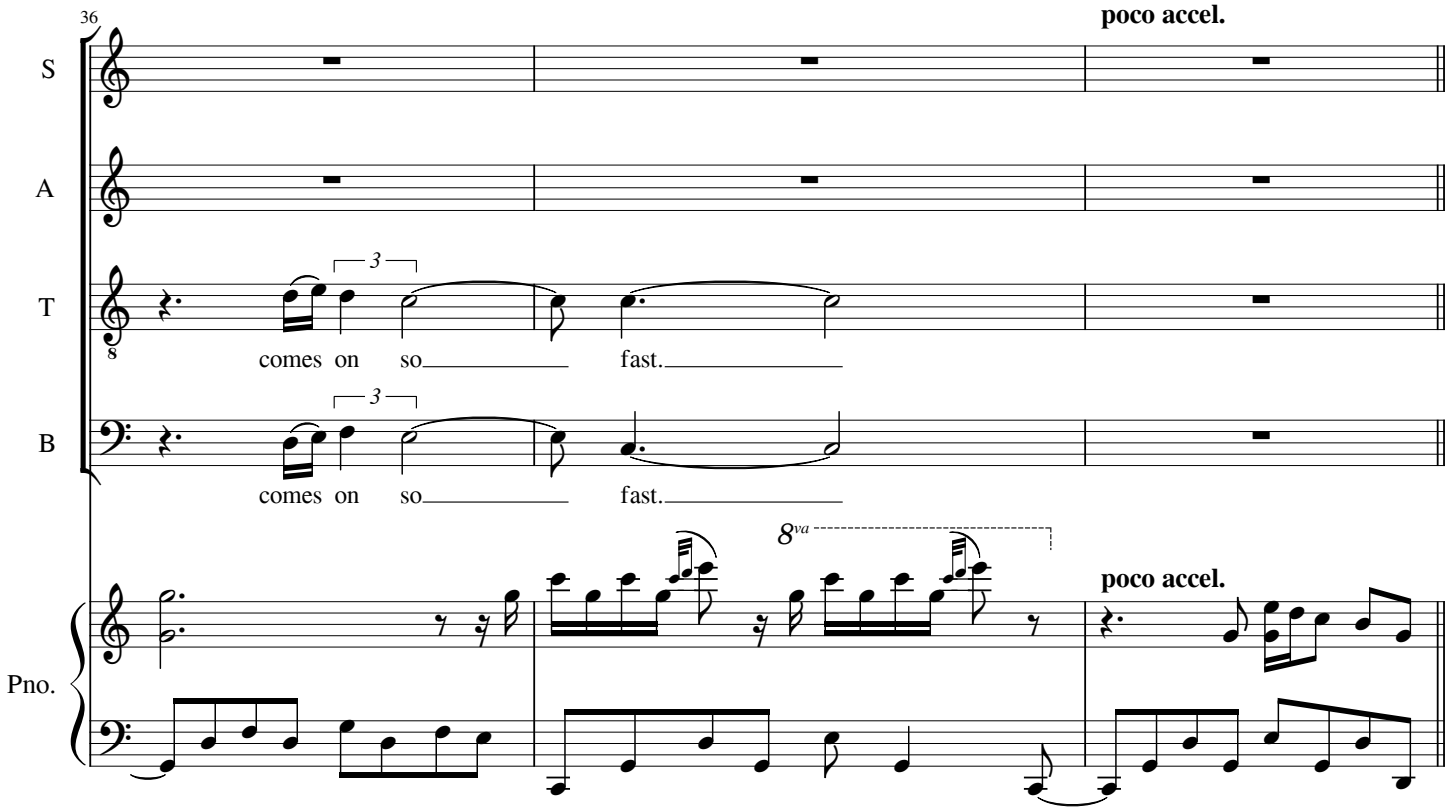

13
Luminoso ♩ = 80
S
mf
The stars grow pale in the shad - ow - y sky,
A
mf
The stars grow pale in the shad - ow - y sky,
T
B
Luminoso ♩ = 80
Pno.
mf
Pedal harmonically
17
S
and o'er the moun-tains creep the mists that are part of the
A
and o'er the moun-tains creep the mists that are part of the
T
B
Pno.
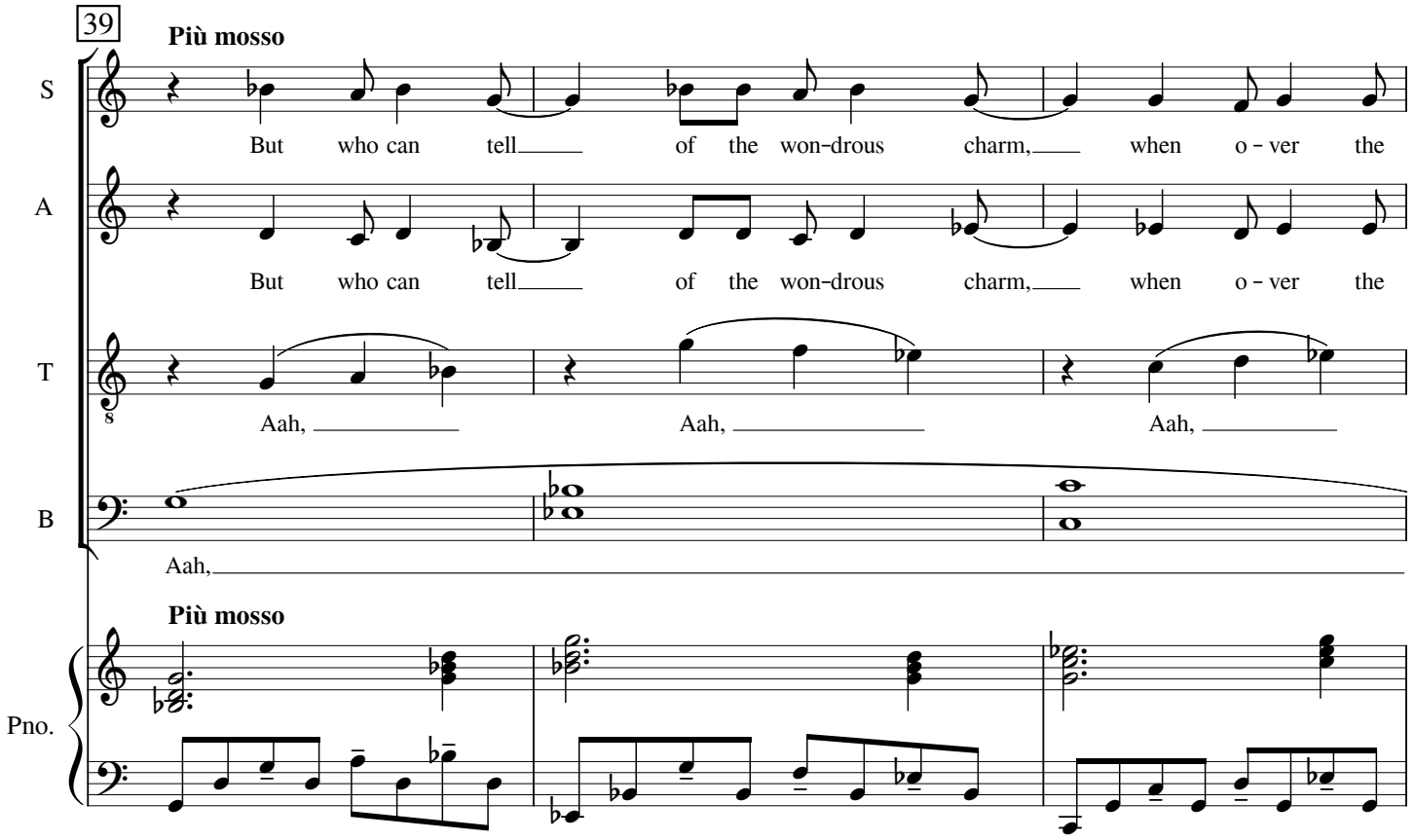

21
S
A
T
B
Pno.
3
wak - ing world, and part of the earth's sweet
wak - ing world, and part of the earth's sweet

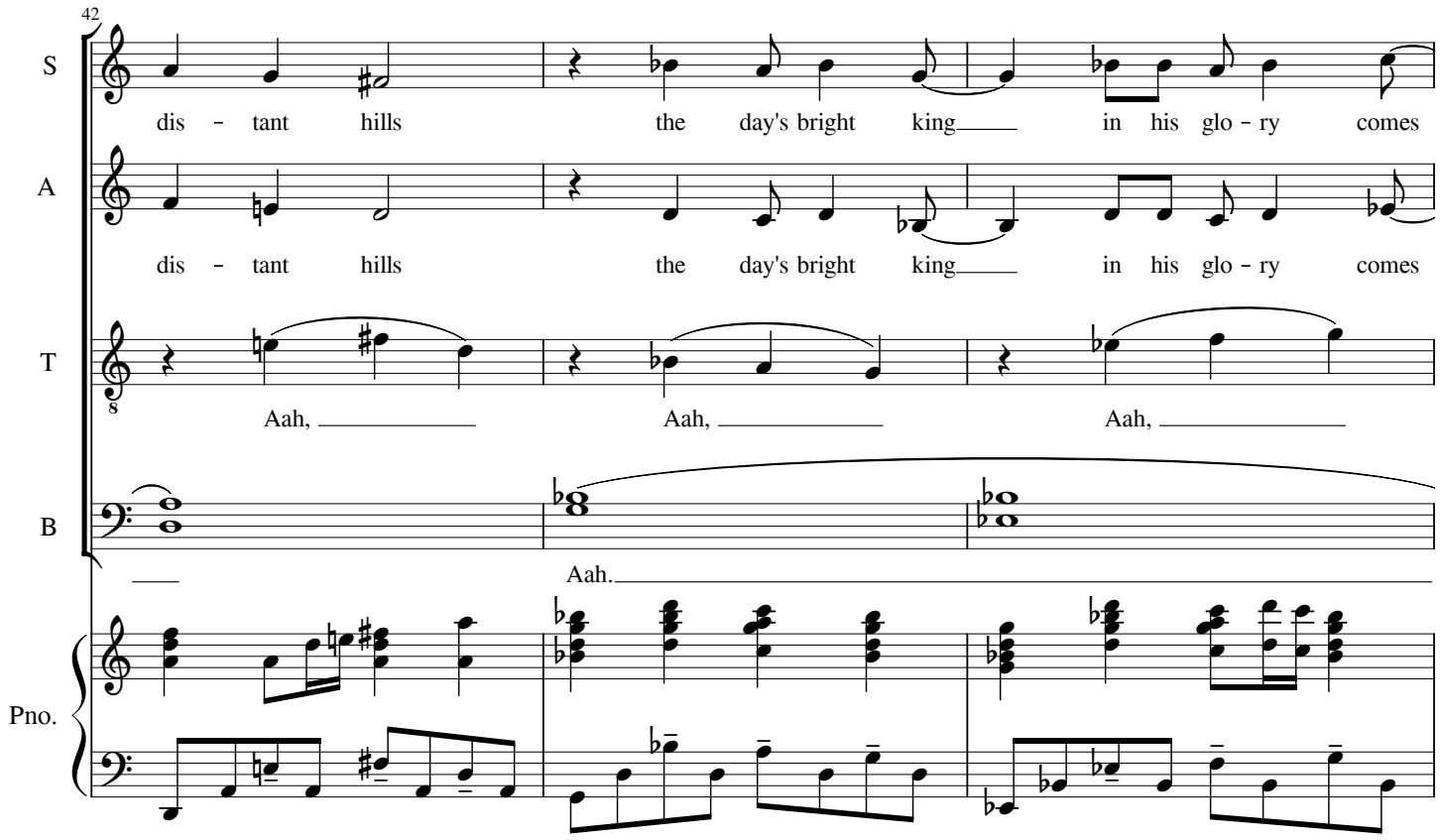

27
25
S
A
T
B
Pno.
sleep.
sleep.
mf
The rest-less birds in the tree - tops high
mf mel.
The rest-less birds in the tree - tops high

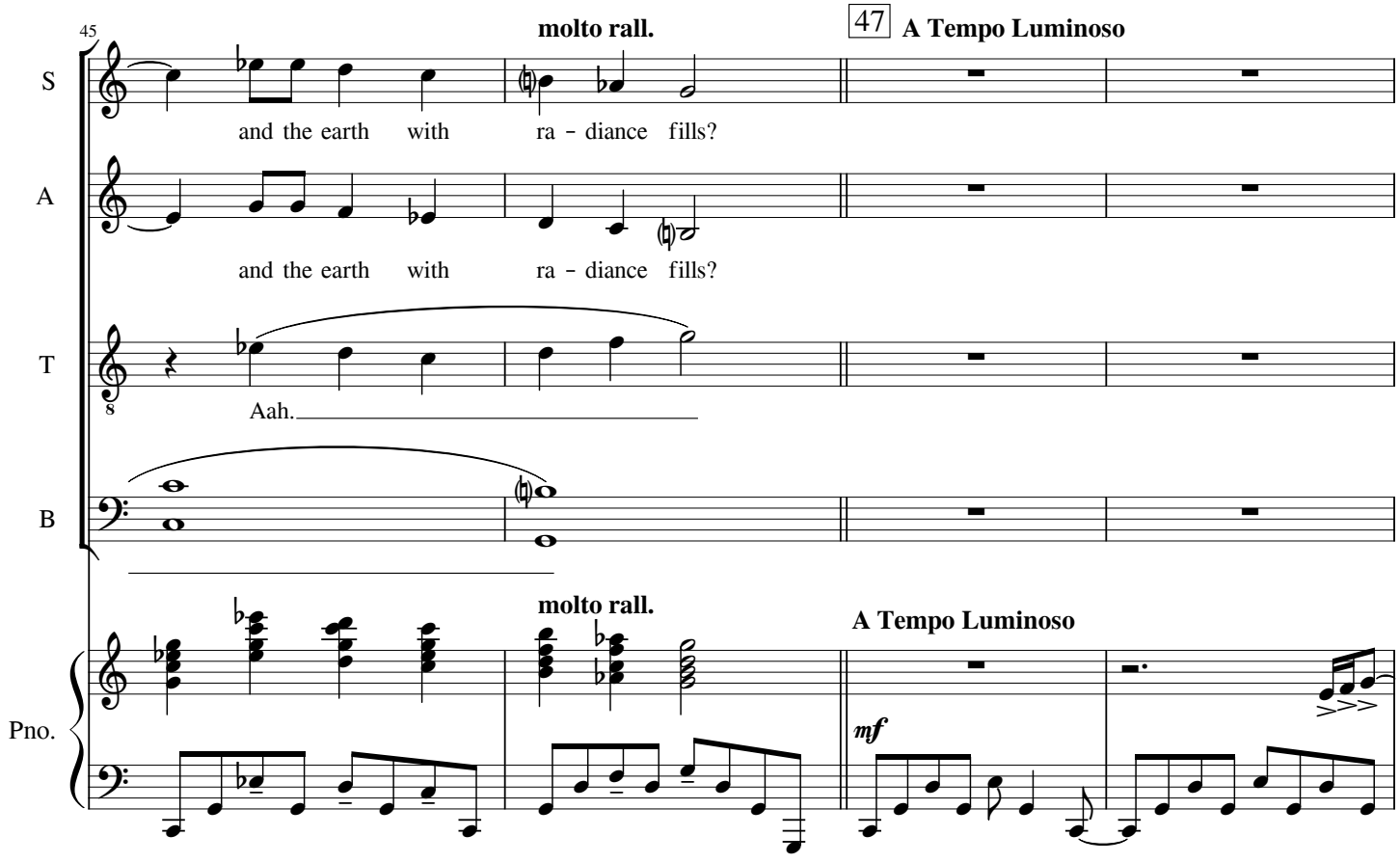

29
S
A
T
B
Pno.
are shak - ing their wings at last, and chirp, and twit - ter their
are shak - ing their wings, and chirp, and twit - ter their
8va
tr
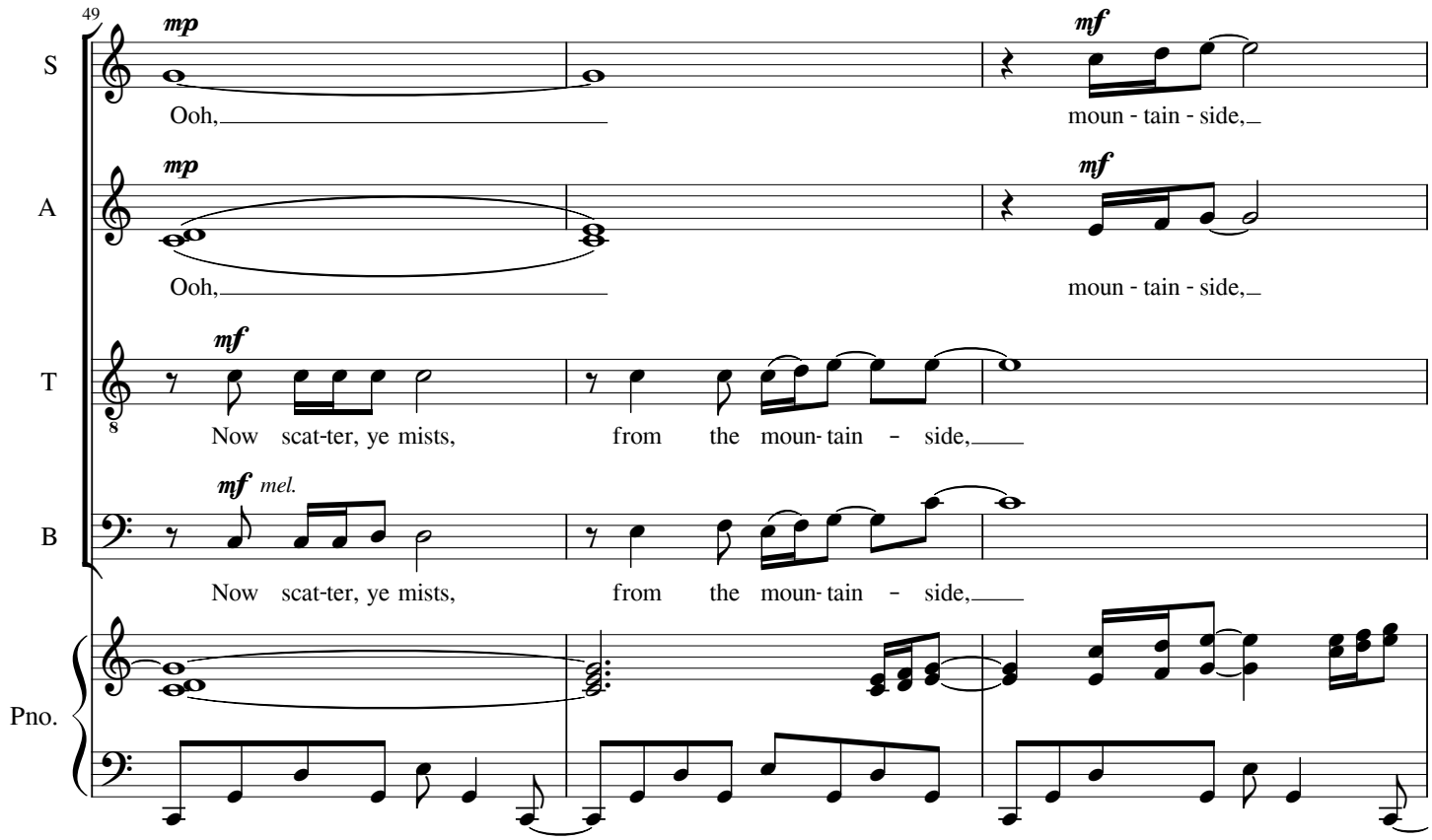

33
S
A
T
B
Pno.
3
songs of praise, as the dawn
3
songs of praise, as the dawn
(8)
8va
tr
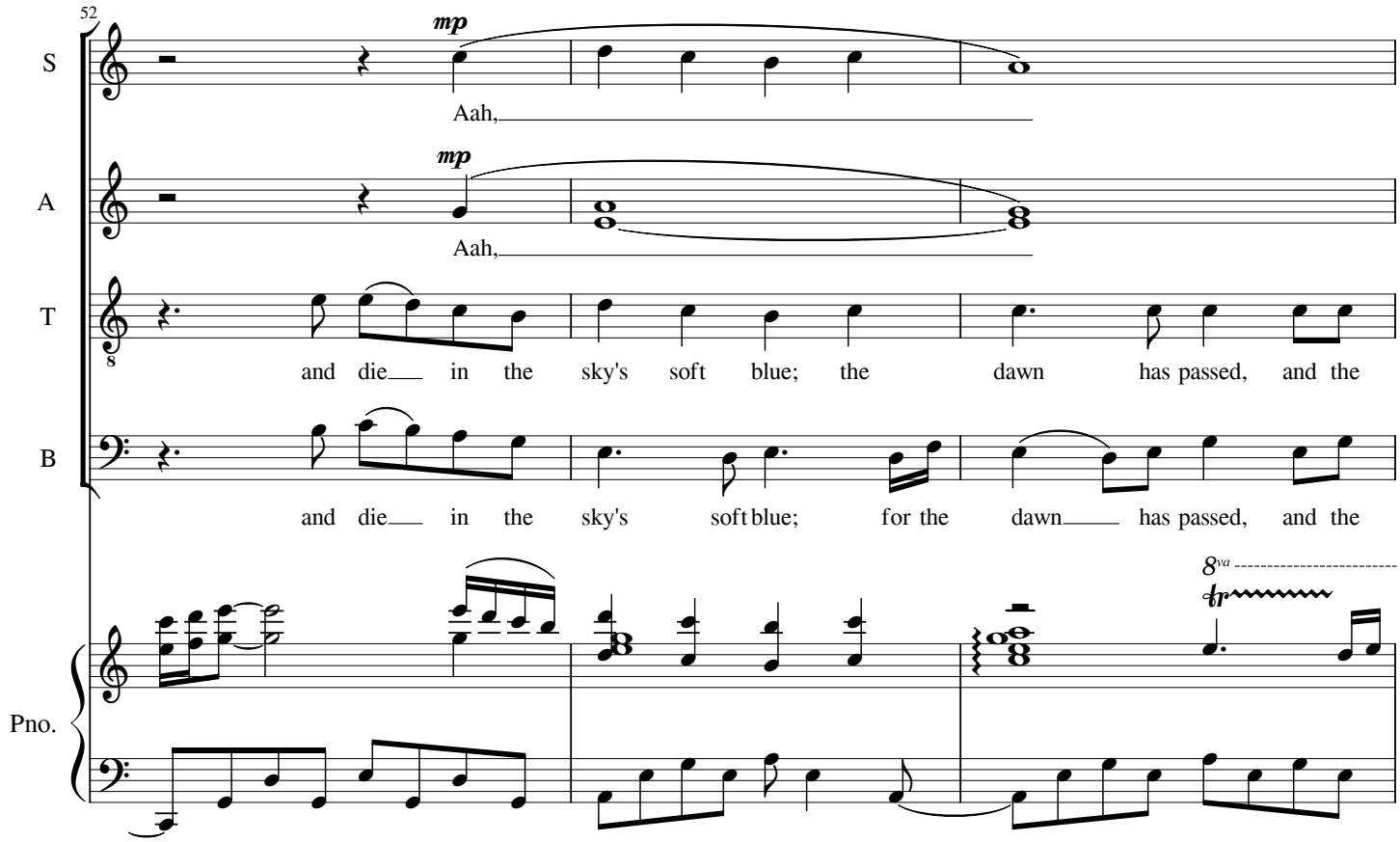

36
poco accel.
S
A
T
B
Pno.
3
comes on so fast.
8va
poco accel.
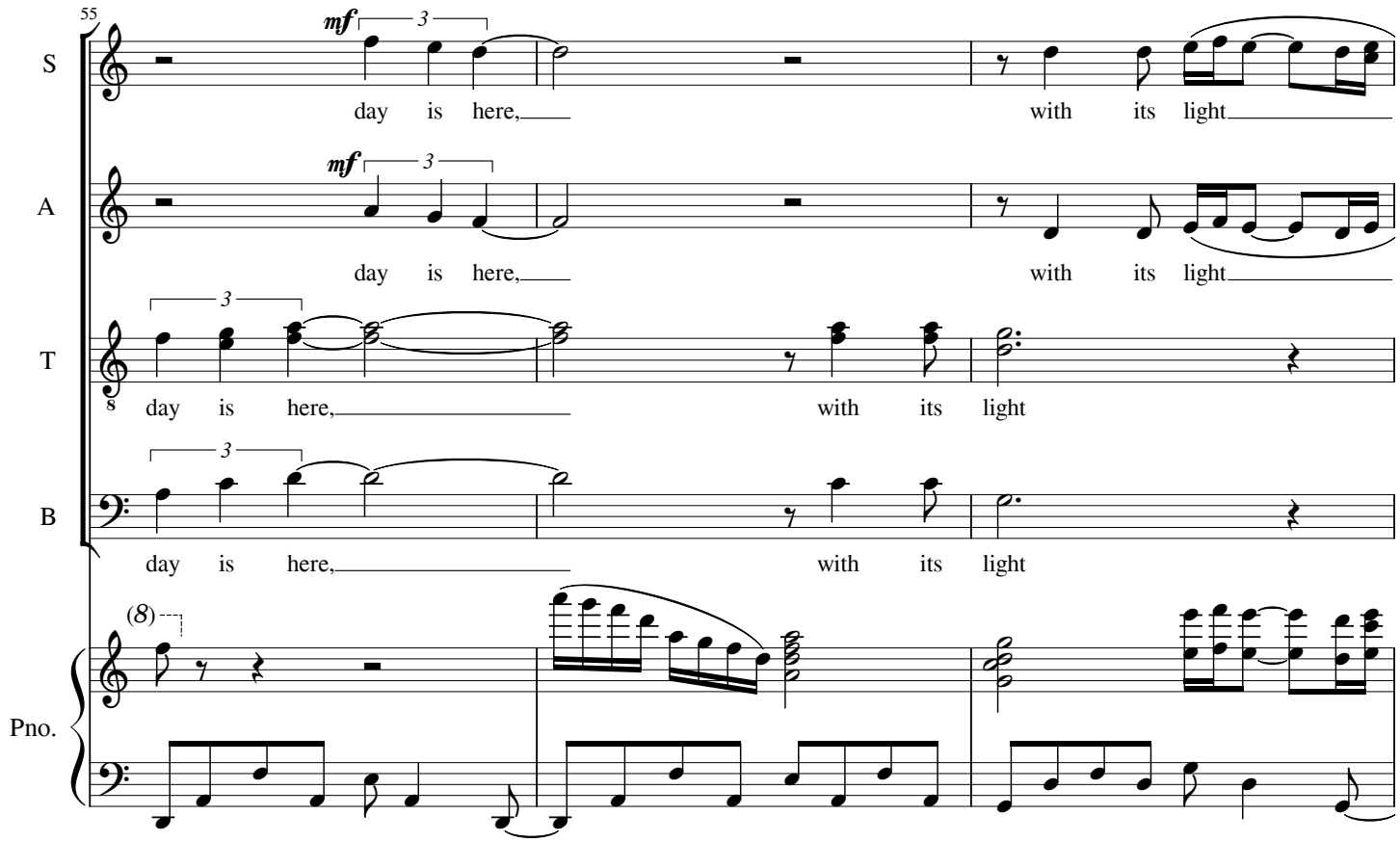

39
Più mosso
S
A
T
B
Pno.
But who can tell of the won-drous charm, when o - ver the
Aah,
Più mosso
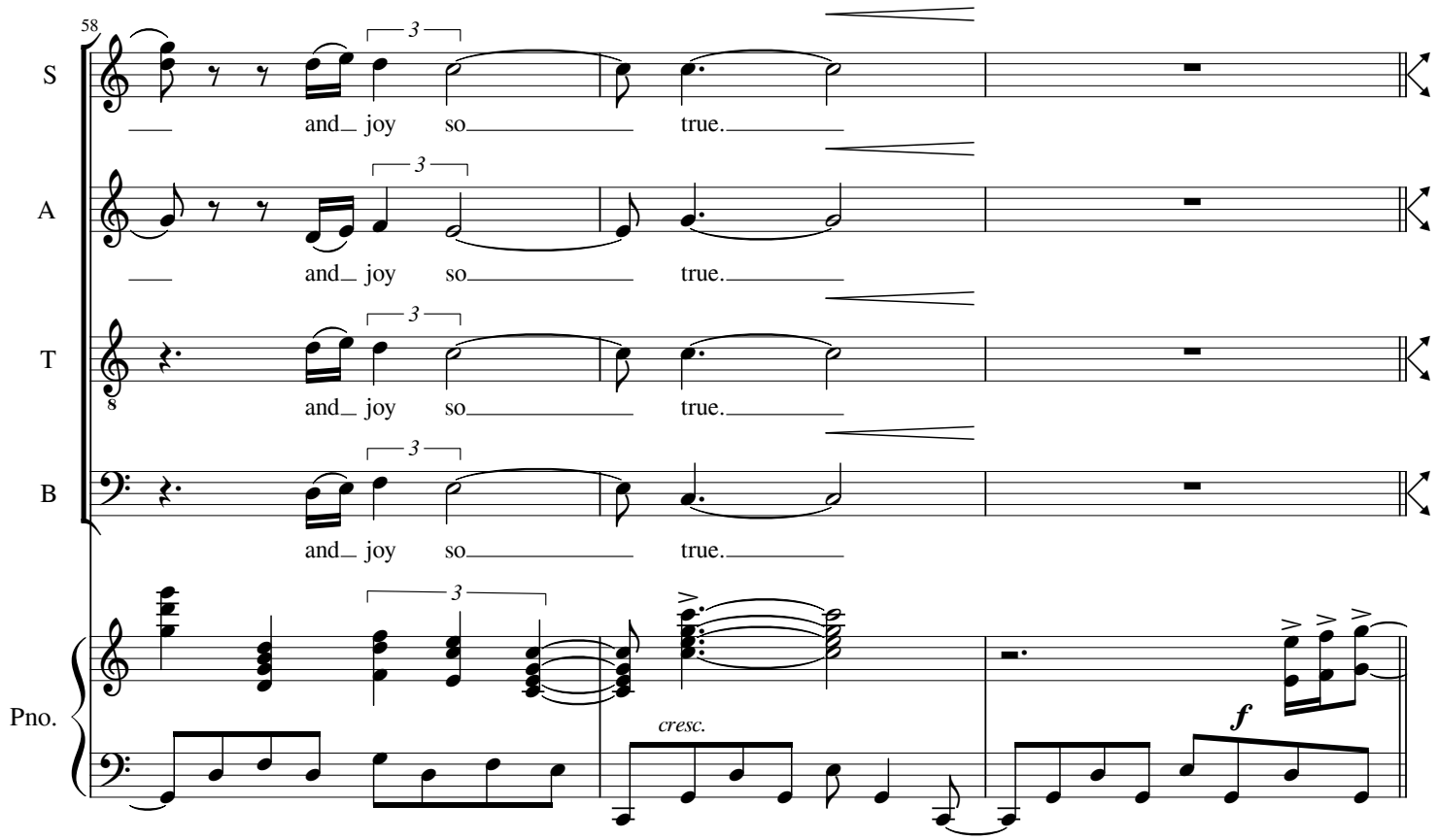

42
S
A
T
B
Pno.
dis - tant hills the day's bright king in his glo - ry comes
dis - tant hills the day's bright king in his glo - ry comes
Aah, Aah, Aah,
Aah.
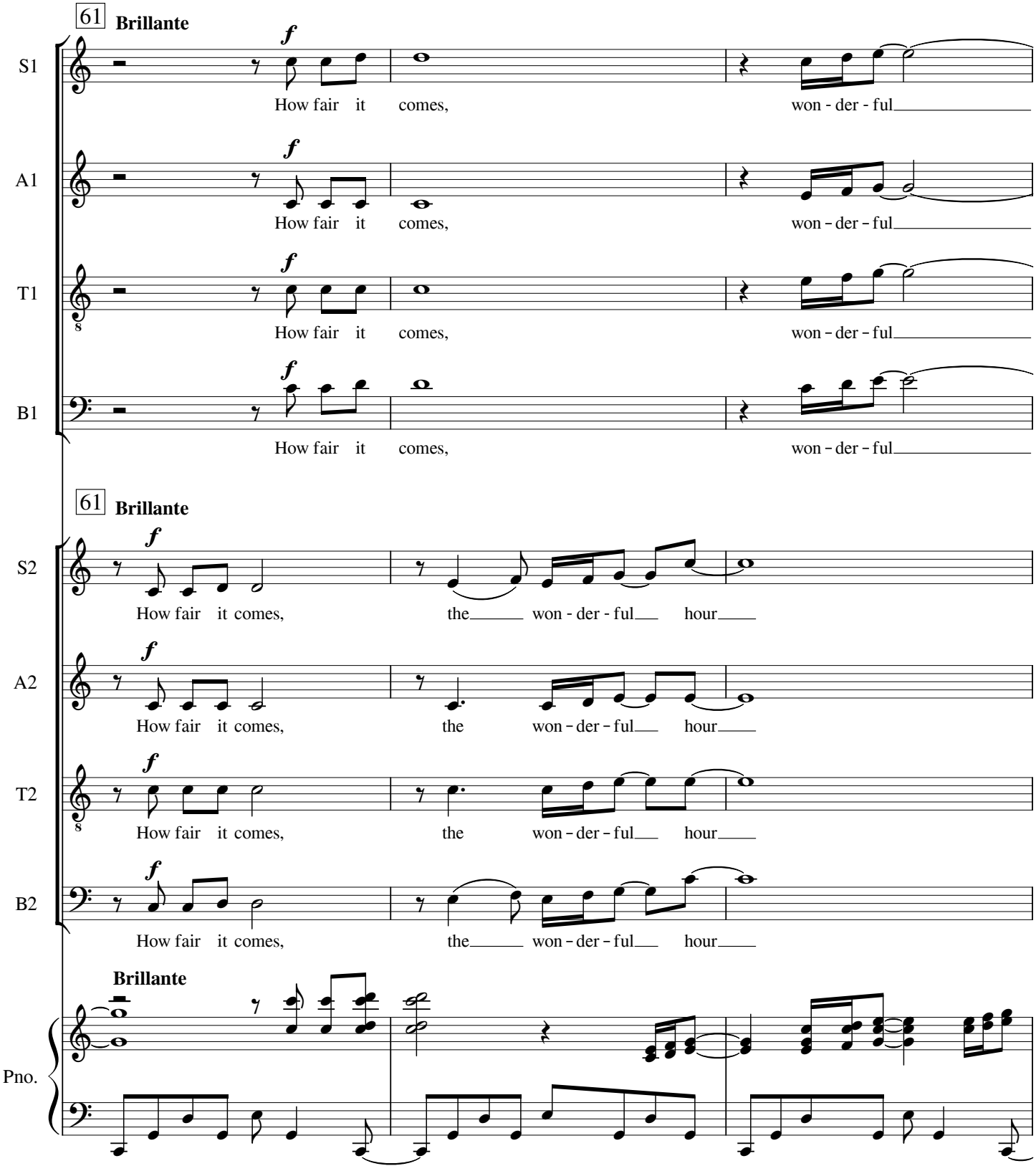

45
molto rall.
47
A Tempo Luminoso
S
A
T
B
Pno.
and the earth with ra - diance fills?
and the earth with ra - diance fills?
Aah.
molto rall.
A Tempo Luminoso
mf
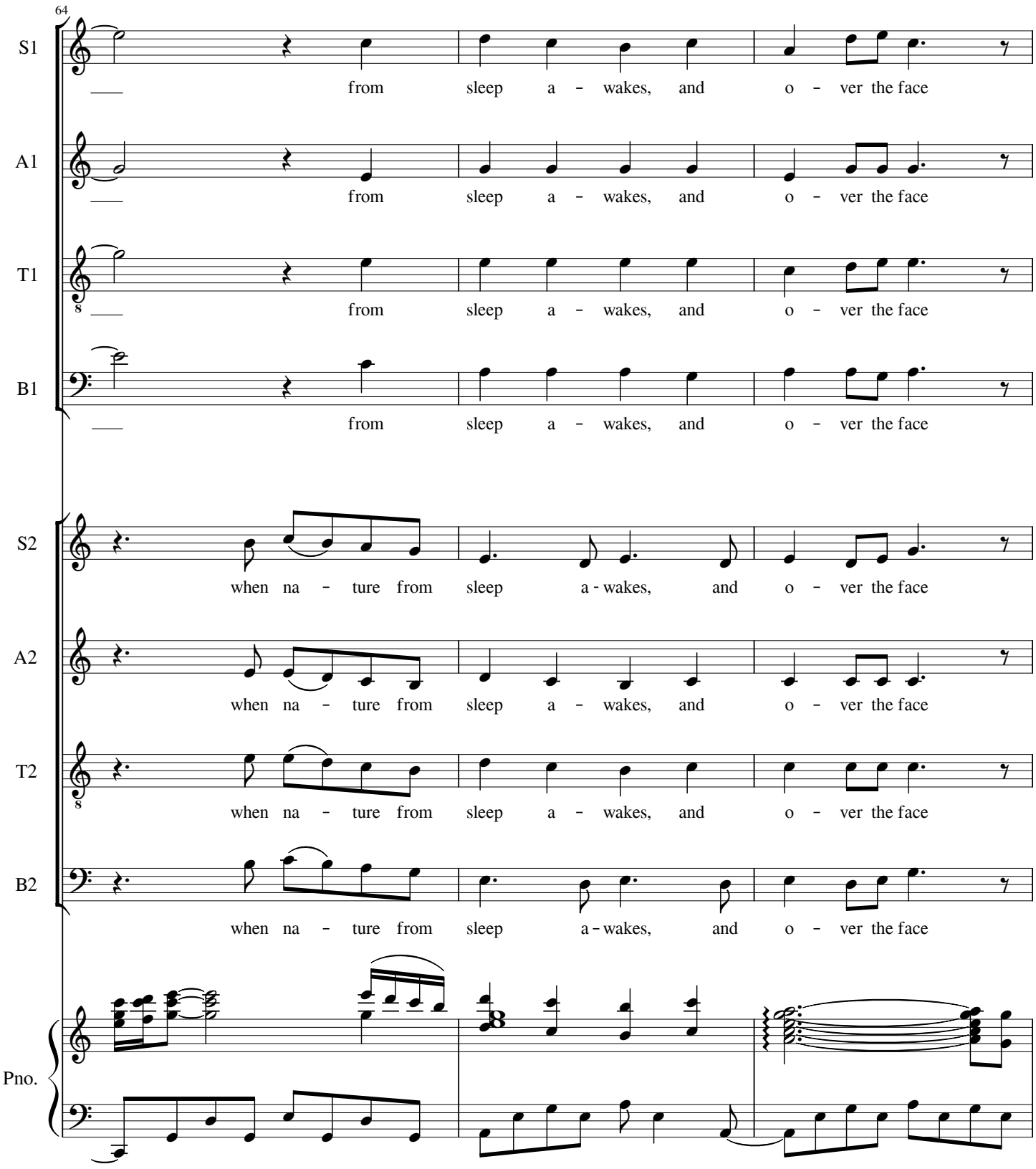

49
S
A
T
B
Pno.
mp
mf
Ooh,
moun - tain - side,
Now scat-ter, ye mists, from the moun- tain - side,
mel.
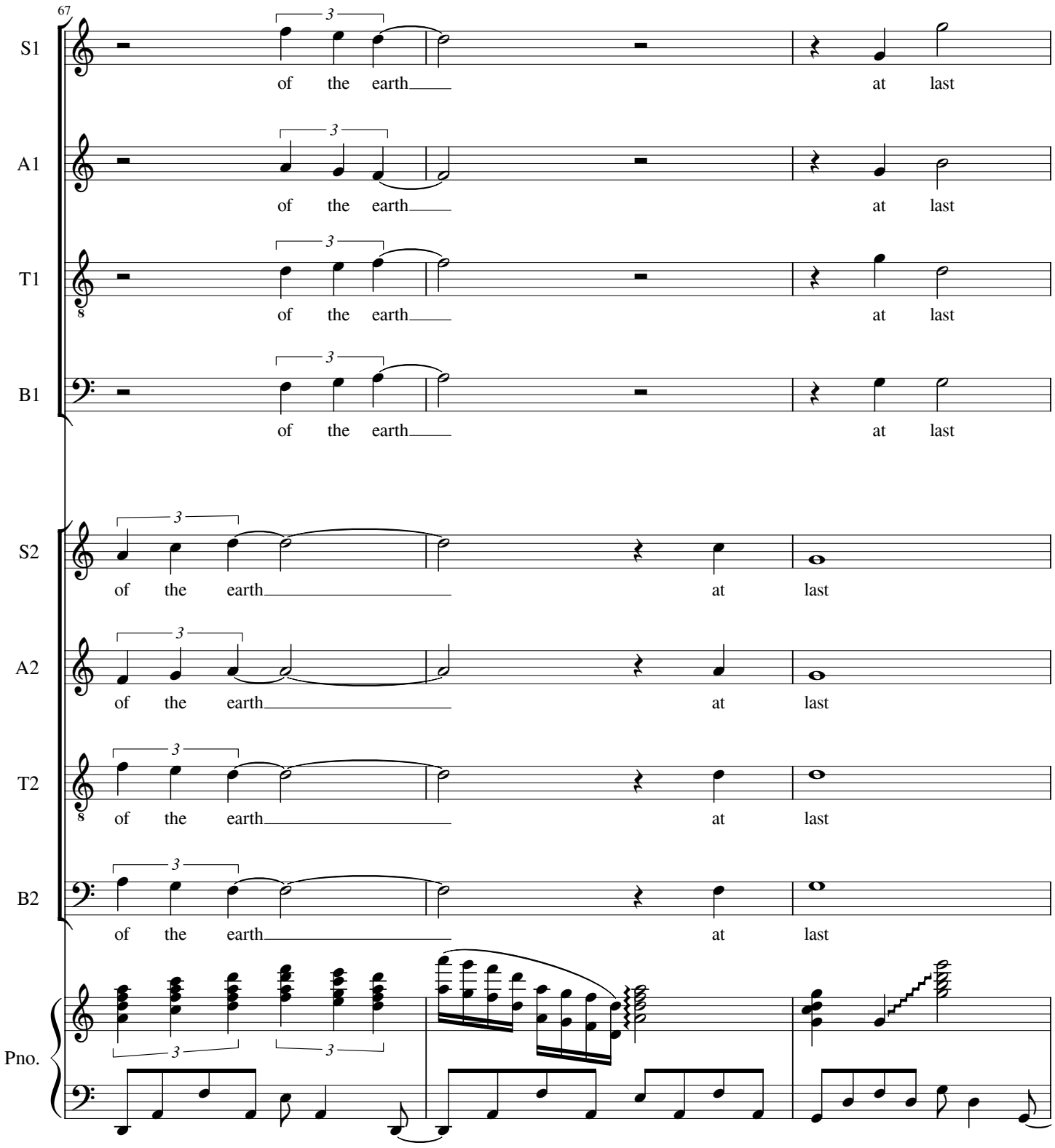

52
S
A
T
B
Pno.
mp
Aah,
and die in the sky's soft blue; the dawn has passed, and the
and die in the sky's soft blue; for the dawn has passed, and the
8va
tr
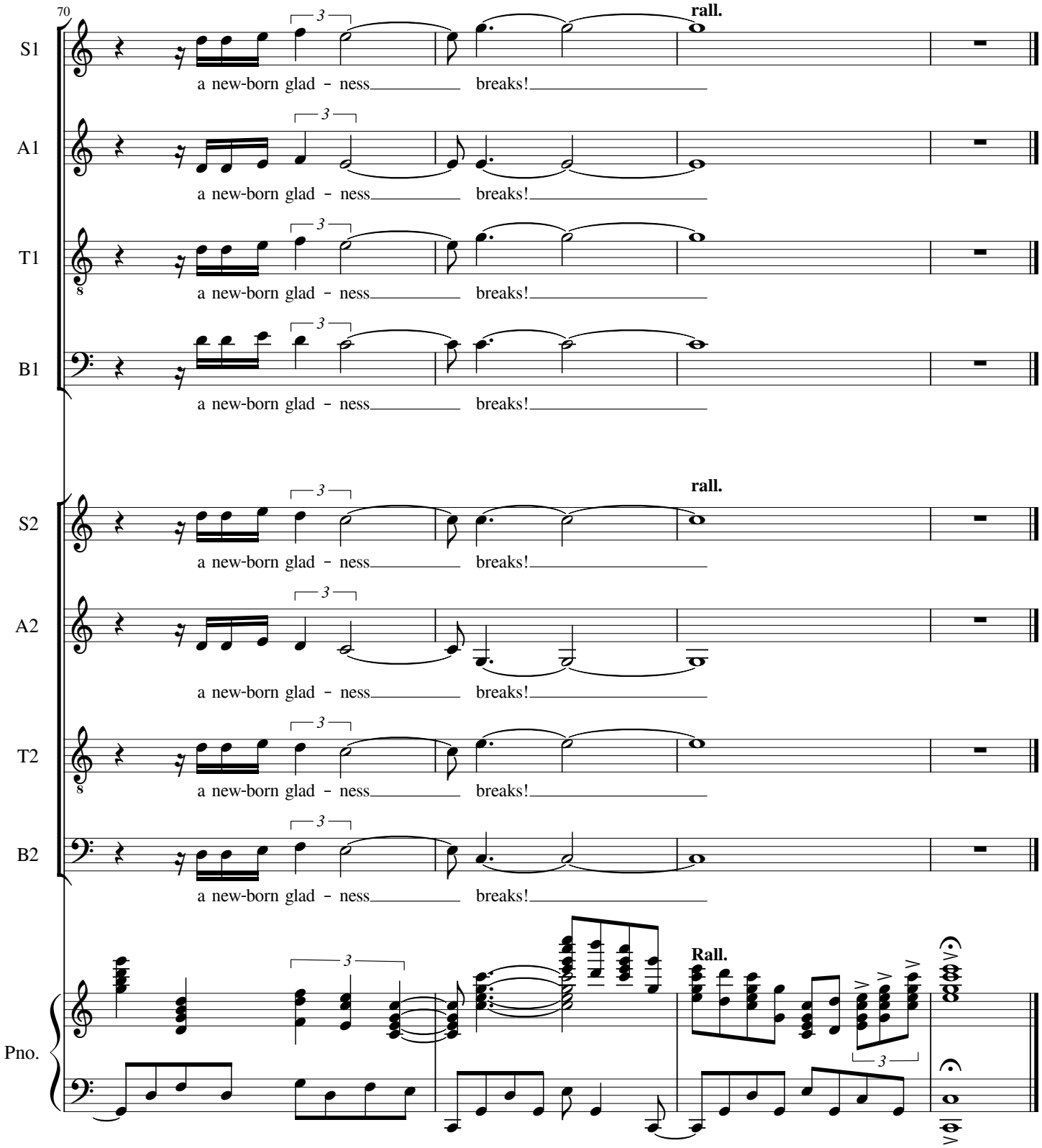

55
S
A
T
B
Pno.
mf
3
day is here,
with its light
(8)


58
S
A
T
B
Pno.
3
and joy so
true.
cresc.
f


61
Brillante
S1
A1
T1
B1
f
How fair it comes,
won - der - ful
61
Brillante
S2
A2
T2
B2
How fair it comes,
the won - der - ful hour
Brillante
Pno.


64
S1
from sleep a - wakes, and o - ver the face
A1
from sleep a - wakes, and o - ver the face
T1
from sleep a - wakes, and o - ver the face
B1
from sleep a - wakes, and o - ver the face
S2
when na - ture from sleep a - wakes, and o - ver the face
A2
when na - ture from sleep a - wakes, and o - ver the face
T2
when na - ture from sleep a - wakes, and o - ver the face
B2
when na - ture from sleep a - wakes, and o - ver the face
Pno.


67
S1
of the earth at last
A1
of the earth at last
T1
of the earth at last
B1
of the earth at last
S2
of the earth at last
A2
of the earth at last
T2
of the earth at last
B2
of the earth at last
Pno.



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