

# GOD IS OUR HOPE AND STRENGTH

(Psalm 46)

Anthem for Double Choir, Bass Solo and Orchestra

(1913)

C. Hubert H. Parry

Bassoon 1

Composed for the 259th Anniversary of the Festival of the Sons of the Clergy  
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Changes in the International copyright laws in the mid-1970’s played a pivotal role in creating this void, opening a significant number of musical compositions to public access. As a result, music publishers lost the ability to generate revenue from the sale/rental of such music. Performance score inventories of these works were eliminated. In addition, for many compositions, the only published material were vocal scores - full scores and orchestra parts were hand notated for the premiere of a work and then were ‘recycled’ for future performances. While full score autograph manuscripts are now accessible through the major music libraries in the UK, the hand-notated parts have long since been lost. These autograph full score manuscripts along with copies of the published vocal scores are now the only resources available for studying and performing these works.

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## Source Information

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*Notation Software:* Finale v. 26   *Audio Software:* Garritan Personal Orchestra 5   *Graphic Software:* Adobe Photoshop CS5

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C. HUBERT H. PARRY

Slow

5  
1-5 *p*  
8-9 *pp*

11 *cresc.*

A *mf* *cresc.*

21 *poco rit.* *a tempo*  
*p*

26 *cresc.* *cresc. molto*

B *ff* *mf* *dim.*

36 *sempre dim.*

41 *pp*

46 *dim.*

51-52 54-57 *f*

60

**C**

70

**D**

75

80 *f*

**E**

85 *poco rit.* *a tempo* *ff*

90

F

Musical notation for section F, measures 98-102. Bass clef, 3/4 time. Features triplet eighth notes and a quarter note with an accent.

G

Musical notation for section G, measures 103-107. Bass clef, 3/4 time. Features triplet eighth notes and a quarter note with an accent.

Musical notation for section G, measures 108-112. Bass clef, 3/4 time. Includes markings "rit." and "a tempo". Features triplet eighth notes and a quarter note with an accent.

H

Musical notation for section H, measures 113-117. Bass clef, 3/4 time. Includes marking "mf cresc." with a hairpin.

Musical notation for section H, measures 118-123. Bass clef, 3/4 time. Includes a fermata and a double bar line with the number 2 below it.

K

Musical notation for section K, measures 124-127. Bass clef, 3/4 time. Includes markings "rit." and "f".

Musical notation for section K, measures 128-131. Bass clef, 4/4 time. Includes marking "Allegro".

Musical notation for section K, measures 132-135. Bass clef, 3/4 time. Includes marking "f" and accents.

L

Musical notation for section L, measures 136-140. Bass clef, 3/4 time.

140

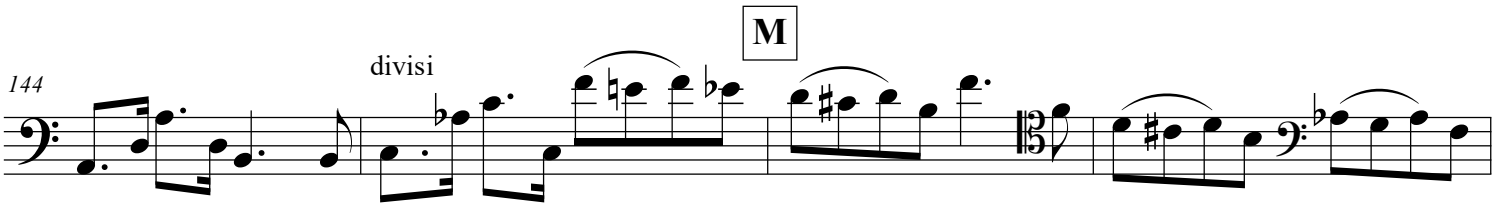


Musical staff 140-143. Bass clef, key signature of two flats. The staff contains a series of eighth and sixteenth notes with various accidentals.

144

divisi

M

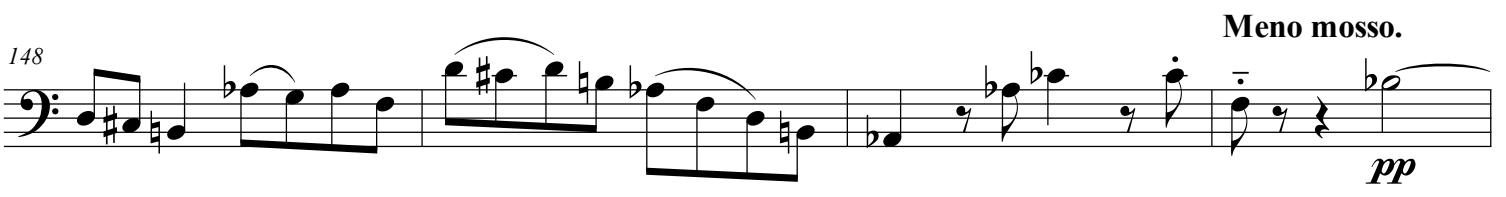


Musical staff 144-147. Bass clef, key signature of two flats. The staff contains a series of eighth and sixteenth notes with various accidentals. A box labeled 'M' is placed above the staff. The word 'divisi' is written above the staff.

148

Meno mosso.

pp



Musical staff 148-151. Bass clef, key signature of two flats. The staff contains a series of eighth and sixteenth notes with various accidentals. The tempo marking 'Meno mosso.' and dynamic marking 'pp' are present.

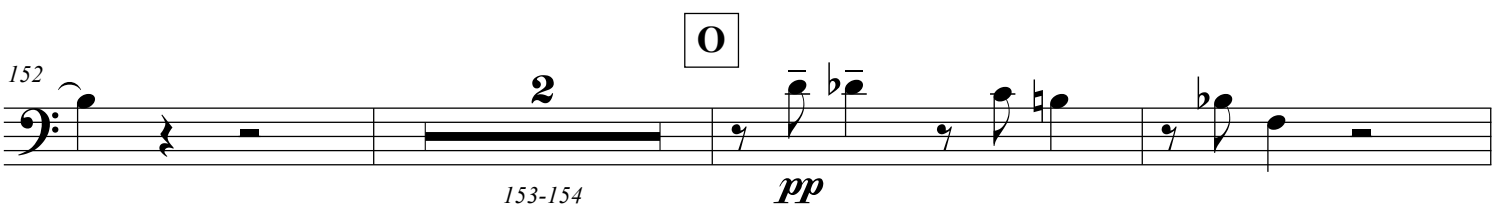
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O

2

153-154

pp

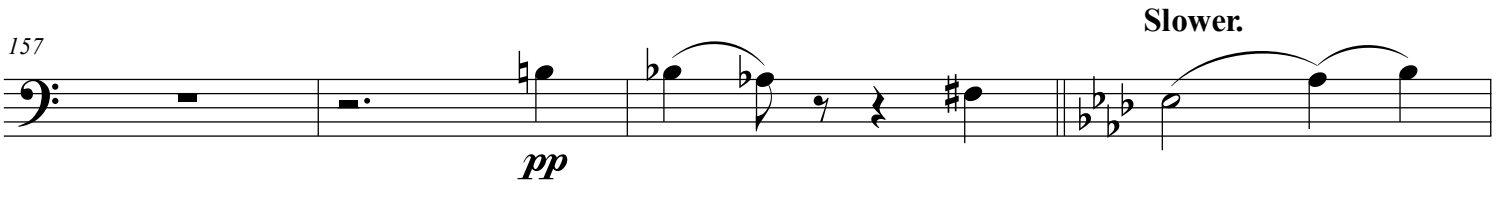


Musical staff 152-156. Bass clef, key signature of two flats. The staff contains a series of eighth and sixteenth notes with various accidentals. A box labeled 'O' is placed above the staff. A fermata is placed over measures 153-154. The dynamic marking 'pp' is present.

157

Slower.

pp



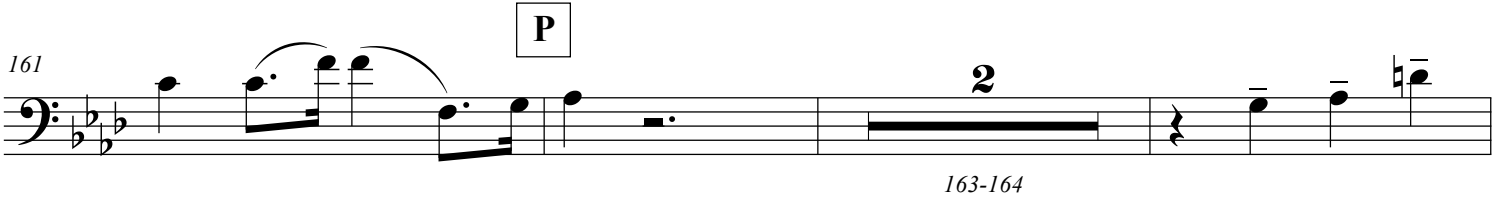
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161

P

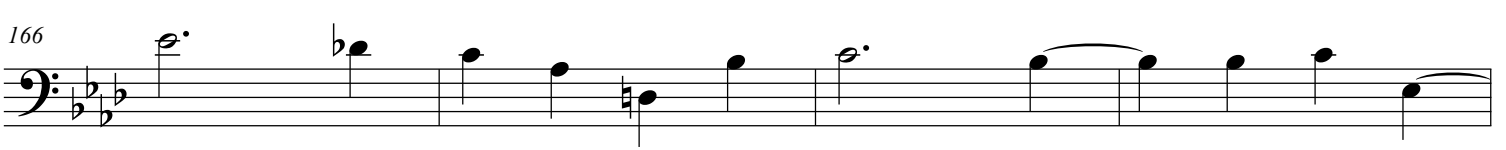
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163-164



Musical staff 161-165. Bass clef, key signature of two flats. The staff contains a series of eighth and sixteenth notes with various accidentals. A box labeled 'P' is placed above the staff. A fermata is placed over measures 163-164.

166



Musical staff 166-173. Bass clef, key signature of two flats. The staff contains a series of eighth and sixteenth notes with various accidentals.

R

rit.



Musical staff 174-177. Bass clef, key signature of two flats. The staff contains a series of eighth and sixteenth notes with various accidentals. A box labeled 'R' is placed above the staff. The tempo marking 'rit.' is present.

174

a tempo

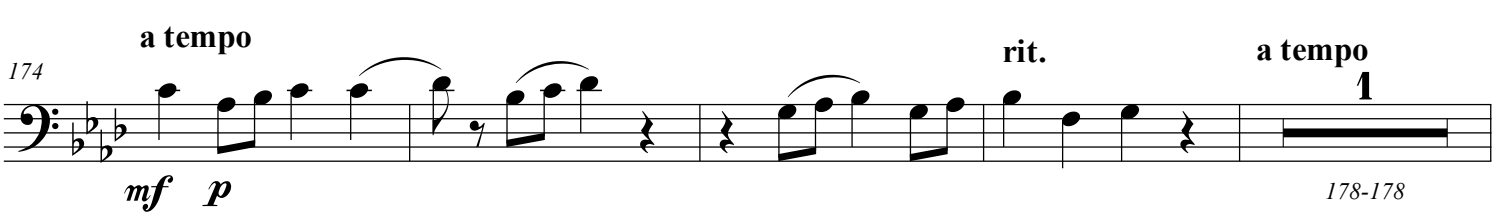
rit.

a tempo

1

mf p

178-178



Musical staff 174-178. Bass clef, key signature of two flats. The staff contains a series of eighth and sixteenth notes with various accidentals. The tempo markings 'a tempo', 'rit.', and 'a tempo' are present. The dynamic markings 'mf' and 'p' are present. A box labeled '1' is placed above the staff. A fermata is placed over measure 178.

179

*cresc.*

182

*p* *mf* *cresc.*

**S** animato

*f*

190

194

*f* *f* *rit.*

**T** a tempo

<> *f*

202

*dim.* 9

205-213

**V**

*mf* *cresc.*

218



222 **animando**

*cresc.*

226

**W** **Allegro**

*ff* *f*

X

234

**animato**

238

*f*

242

**Y**

*cresc.*

**allargando** **a tempo**

3

250-252

256

*rit.*



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