# The Flower Garland of Existence

Verses based on the *Avatamsaka Sutra*

for Soprano, Mezzo Soprano and Two Baritones

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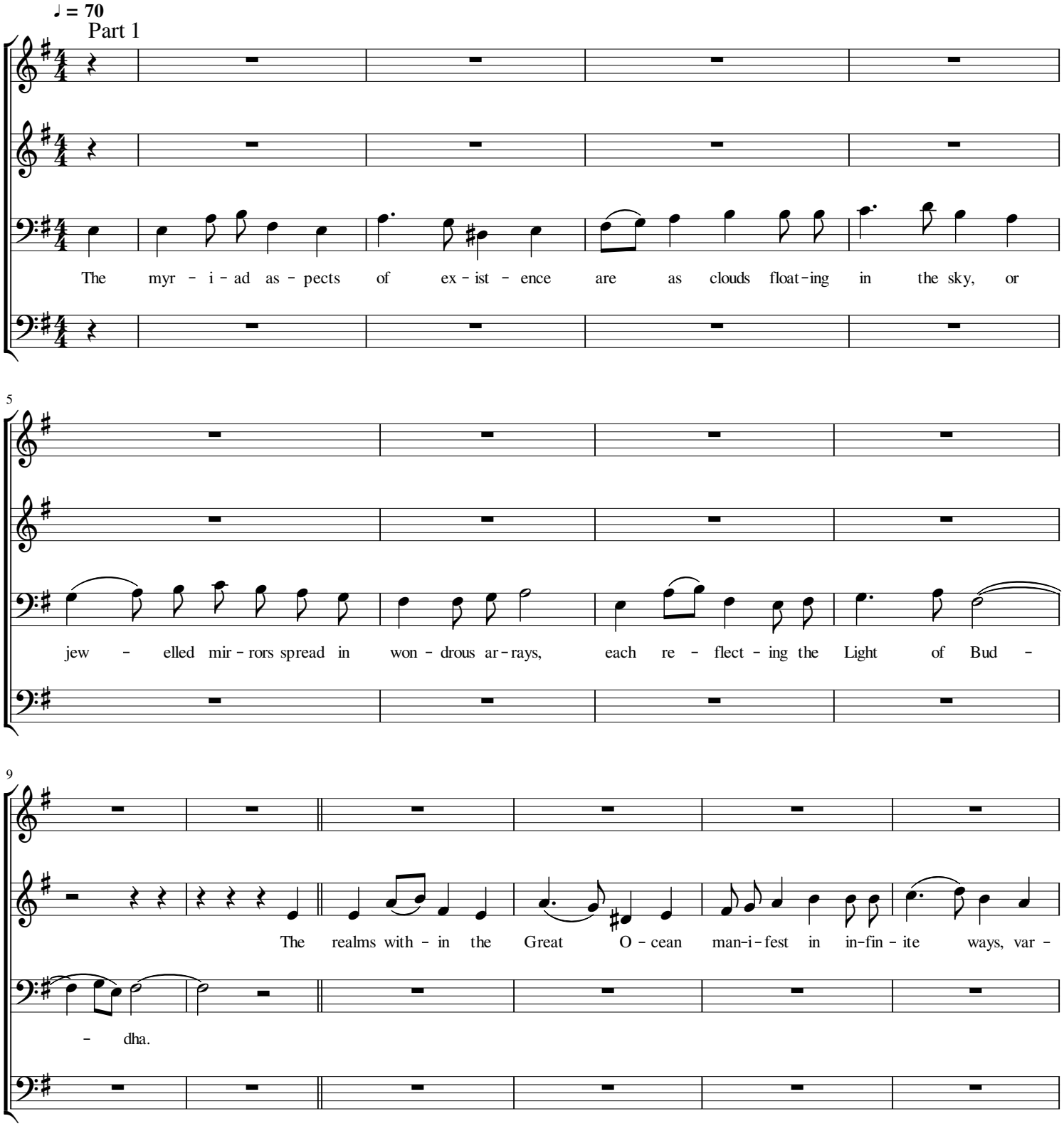

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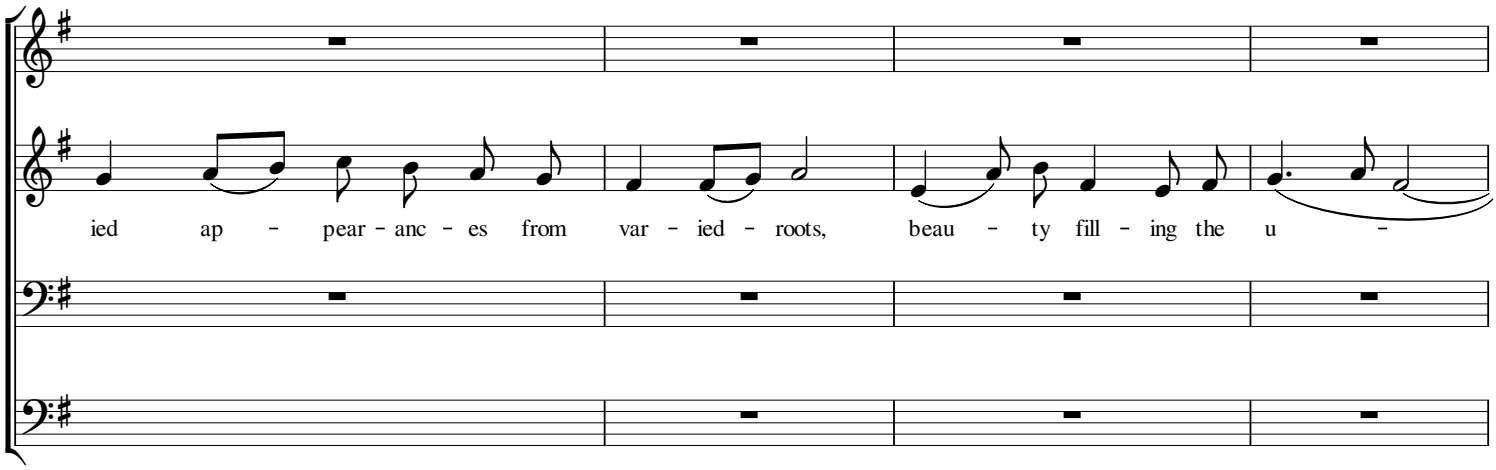
ied ap - pear - anc - es from var - ied - roots, beau - ty fill - ing the u -

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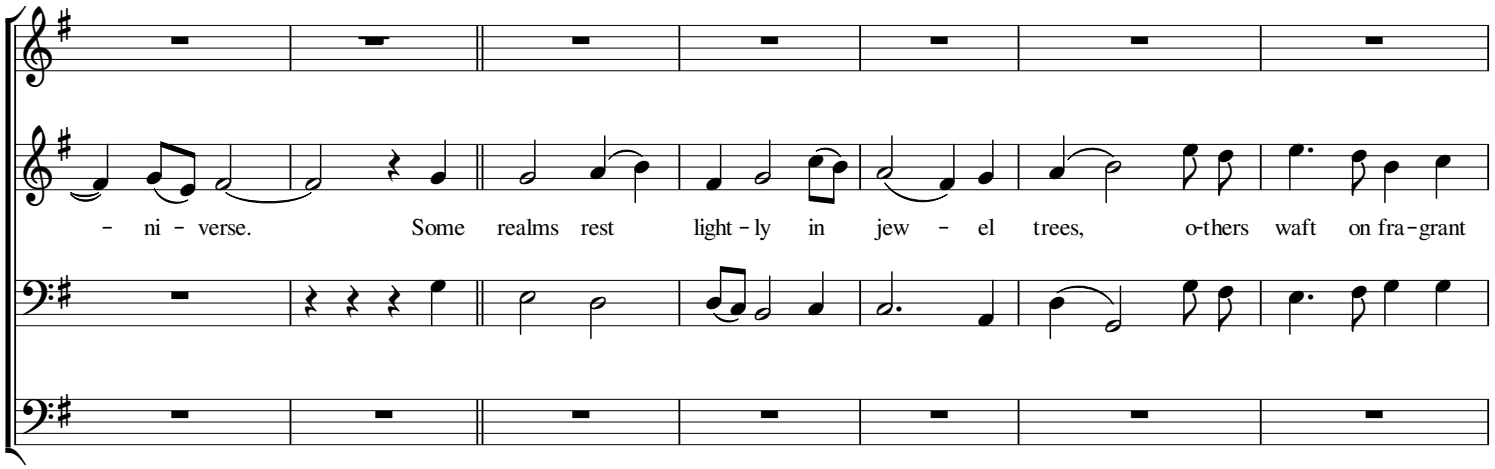
- ni - verse. Some realms rest light - ly in jew - el trees, o-thers waft on fra - grant

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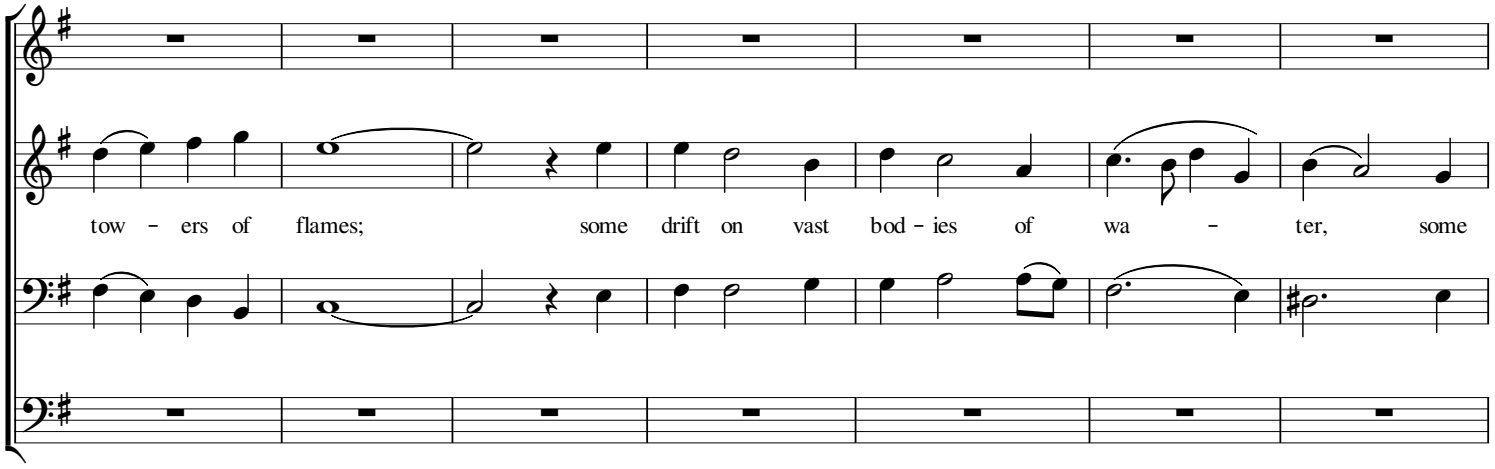
tow - ers of flames; some drift on vast bod - ies of wa - ter, some

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shine forth from the still Heart of the world. Some realms rise and pass in a

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flash of light-ning, some live age-es in the Lo - tus Sea: in all these tran-si-to-ry realms

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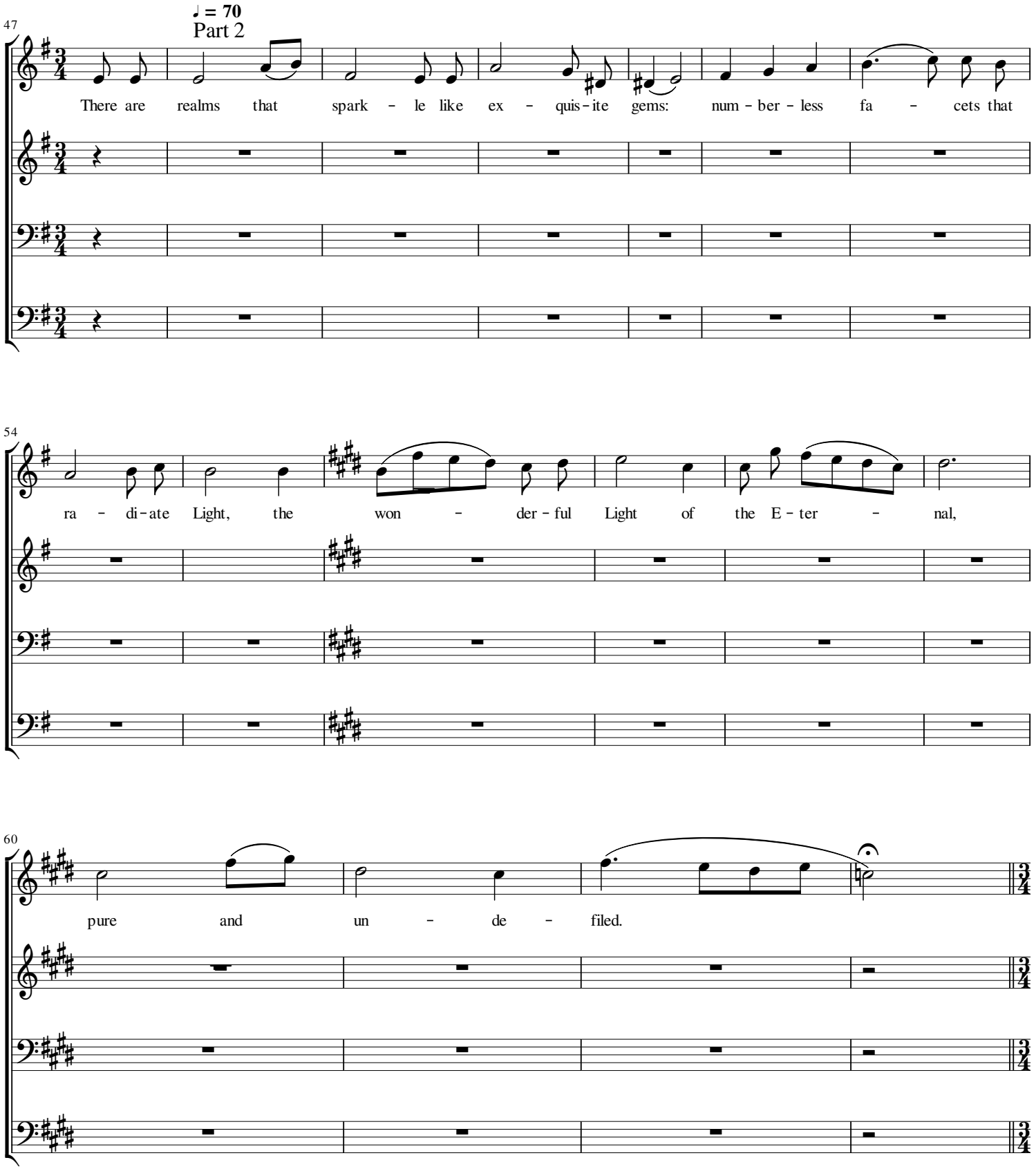
is to be found Great Com - pas - sion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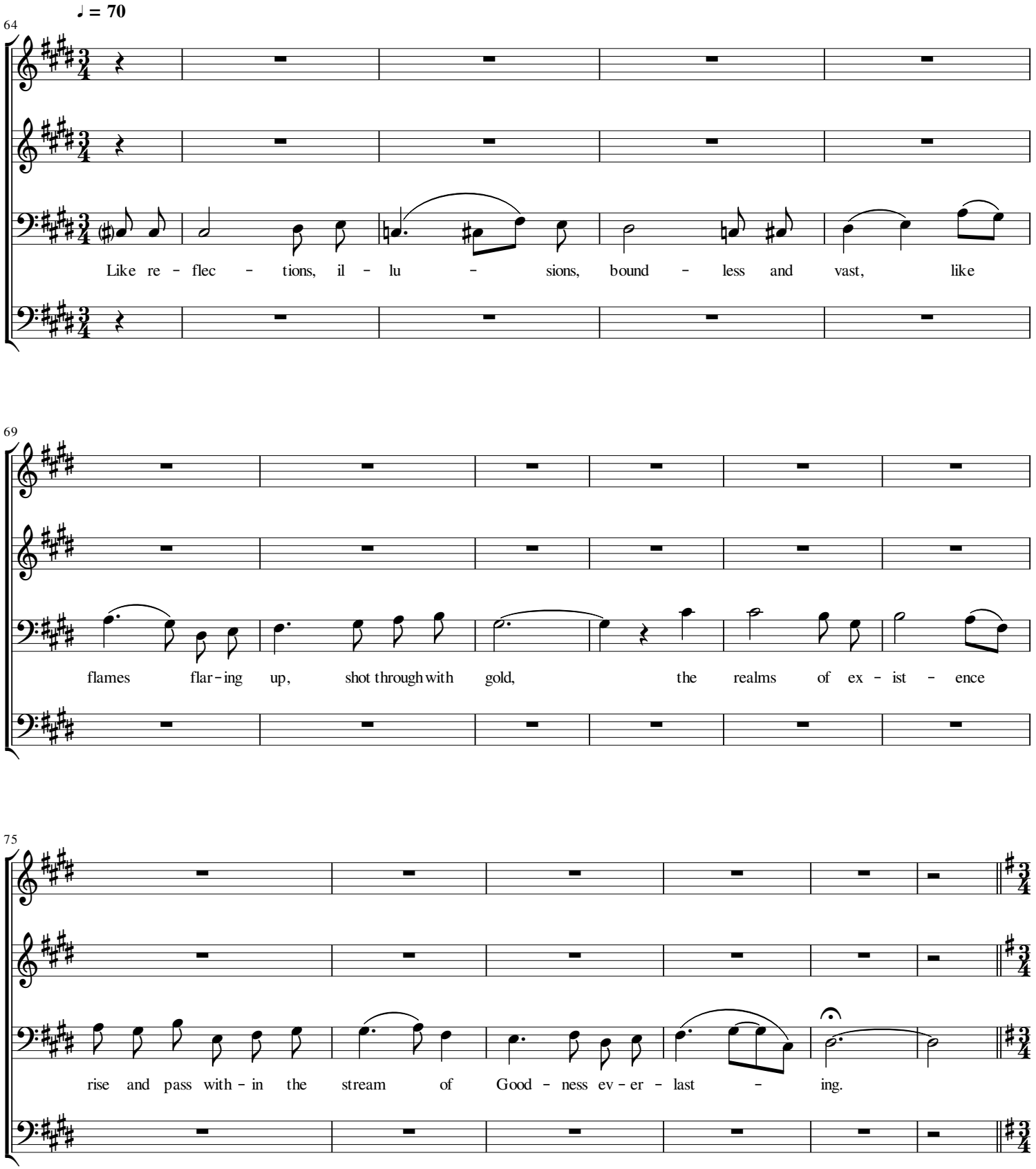
Part 2
There are realms that spark - le like ex - quis - ite gems: num - ber - less fa - cets that
54
ra - di - ate Light, the won - der - ful Light of the E - ter - nal,
60
pure and un - de - filed.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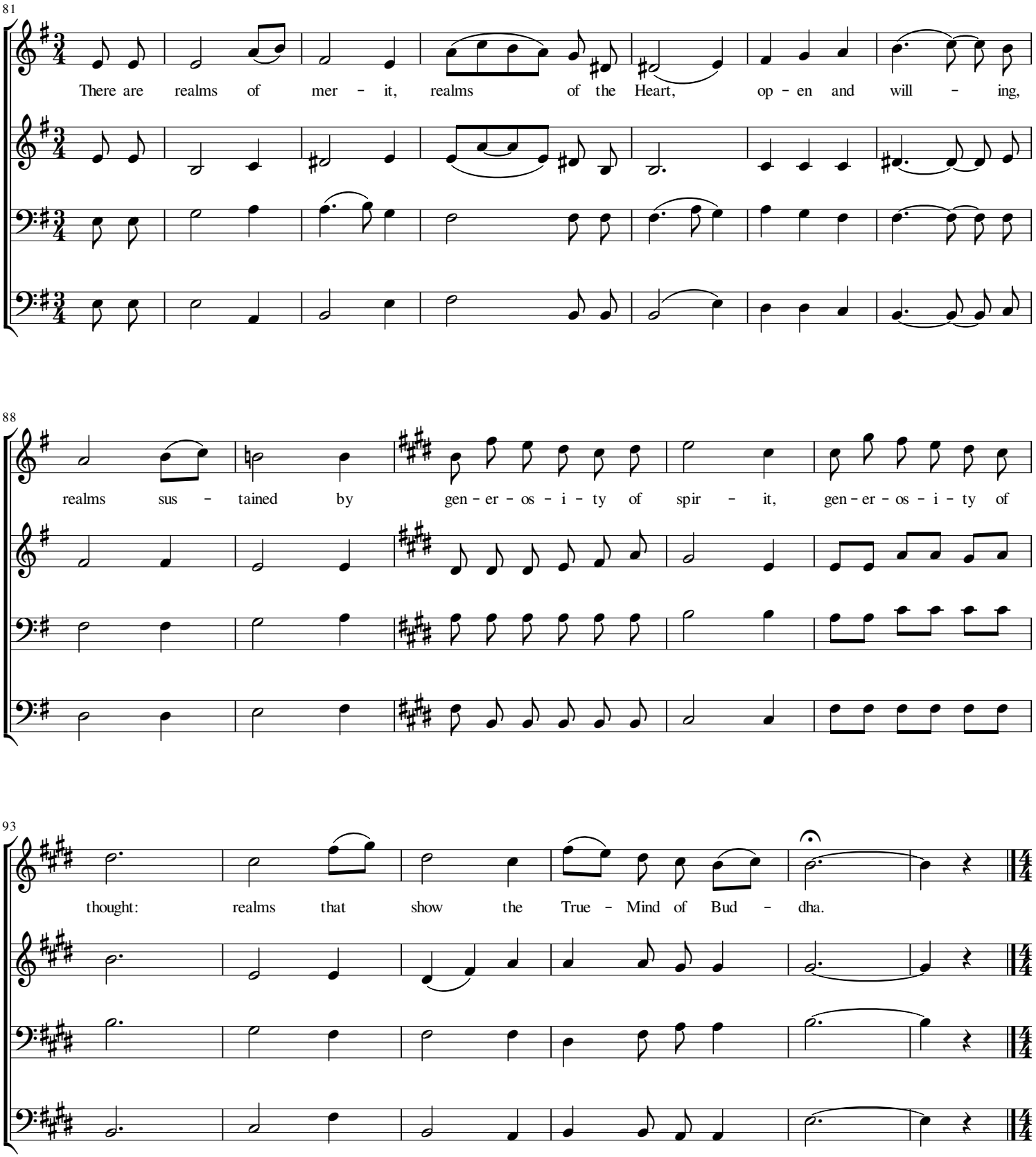
64
Like re - flec - tions, il - lu - sions, bound - less and vast, like
69
flames flar-ing up, shot through with gold, the realms of ex - ist - ence
75
rise and pass with - in the stream of Good - ness ev - er - last - ing.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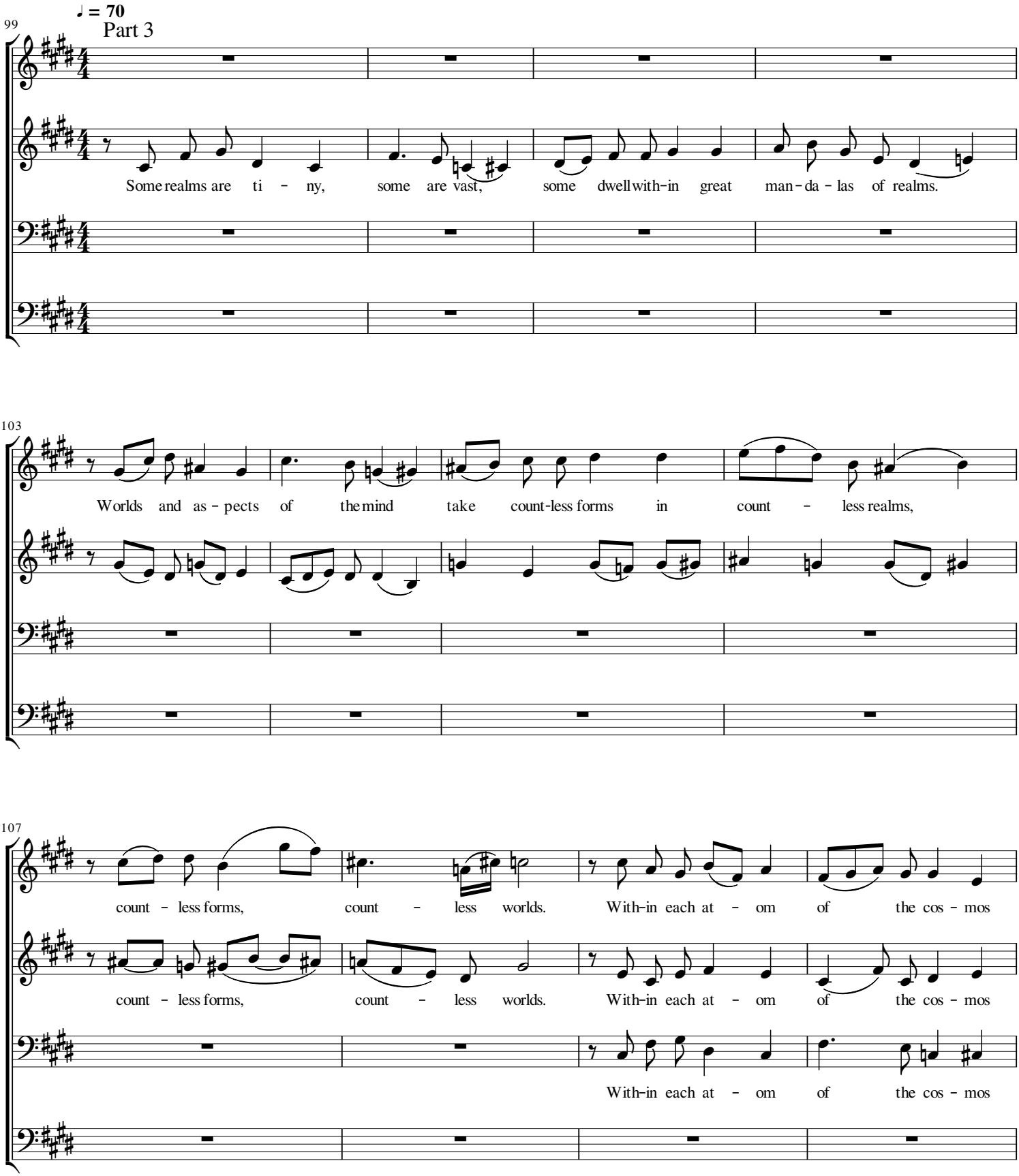
There are realms of mer - it, realms of the Heart, op - en and will - ing,
88
realms sus - tained by gen - er - os - i - ty of spir - it, gen - er - os - i - ty of
93
thought: realms that show the True - Mind of Bud - dha.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Part 3
99
Some realms are ti - ny, some are vast, some dwell with-in great man - da - las of realms.
103
Worlds and as - pects of the mind take count-less forms in count - less realms,
107
count - less forms, count - less worlds. With-in each at - om of the cos - mos
count - less forms, count - less worlds. With-in each at - om of the cos - mos
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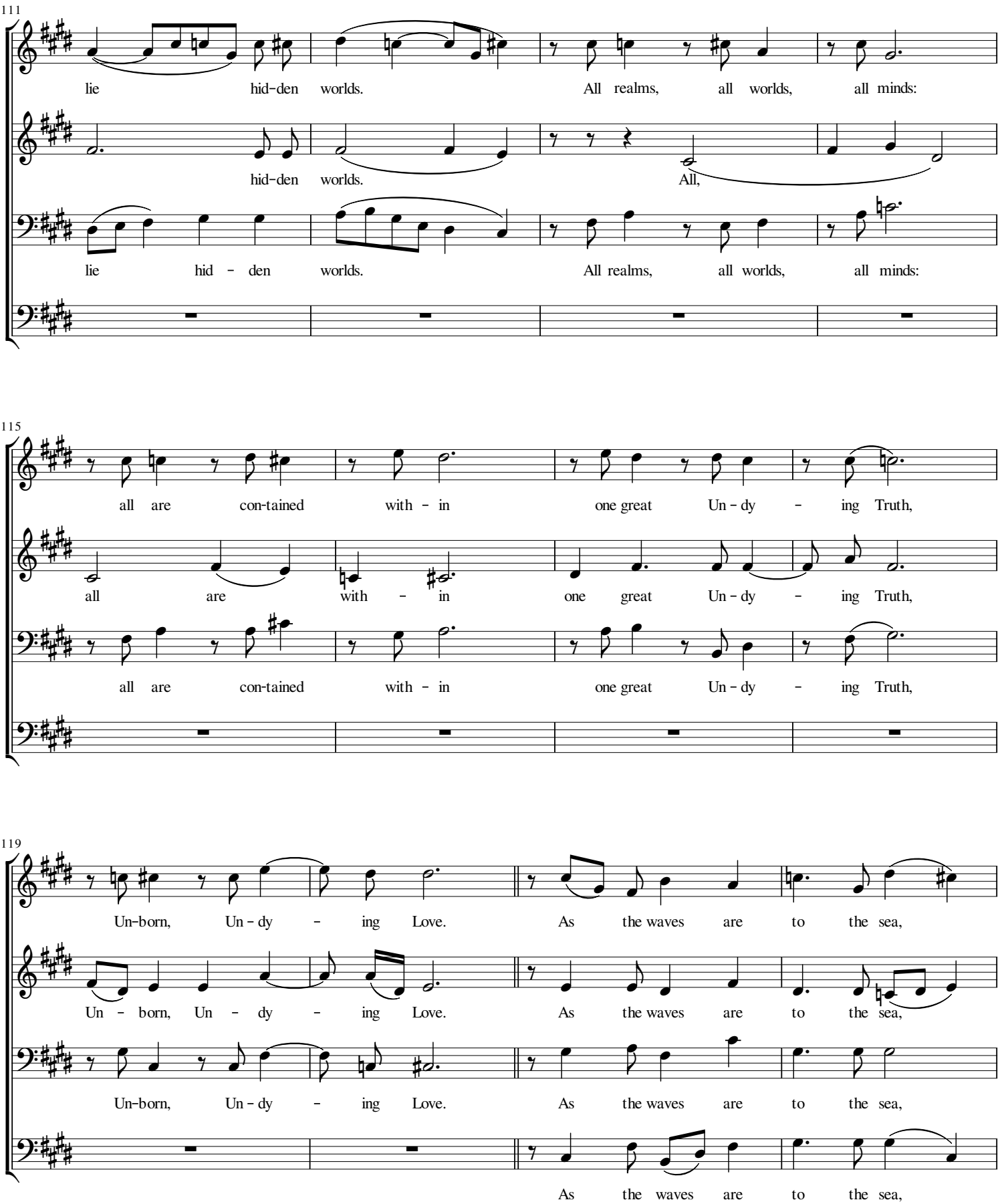
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lie hid-den worlds. All realms, all worlds, all minds:
hid-den worlds. All,
lie hid - den worlds. All realms, all worlds, all minds:
115
all are con-tained with - in one great Un - dy - ing Truth,
all are with - in one great Un - dy - ing Truth,
all are con-tained with - in one great Un - dy - ing Truth,
119
Un-born, Un - dy - ing Love. As the waves are to the sea,
Un - born, Un - dy - ing Love. As the waves are to the sea,
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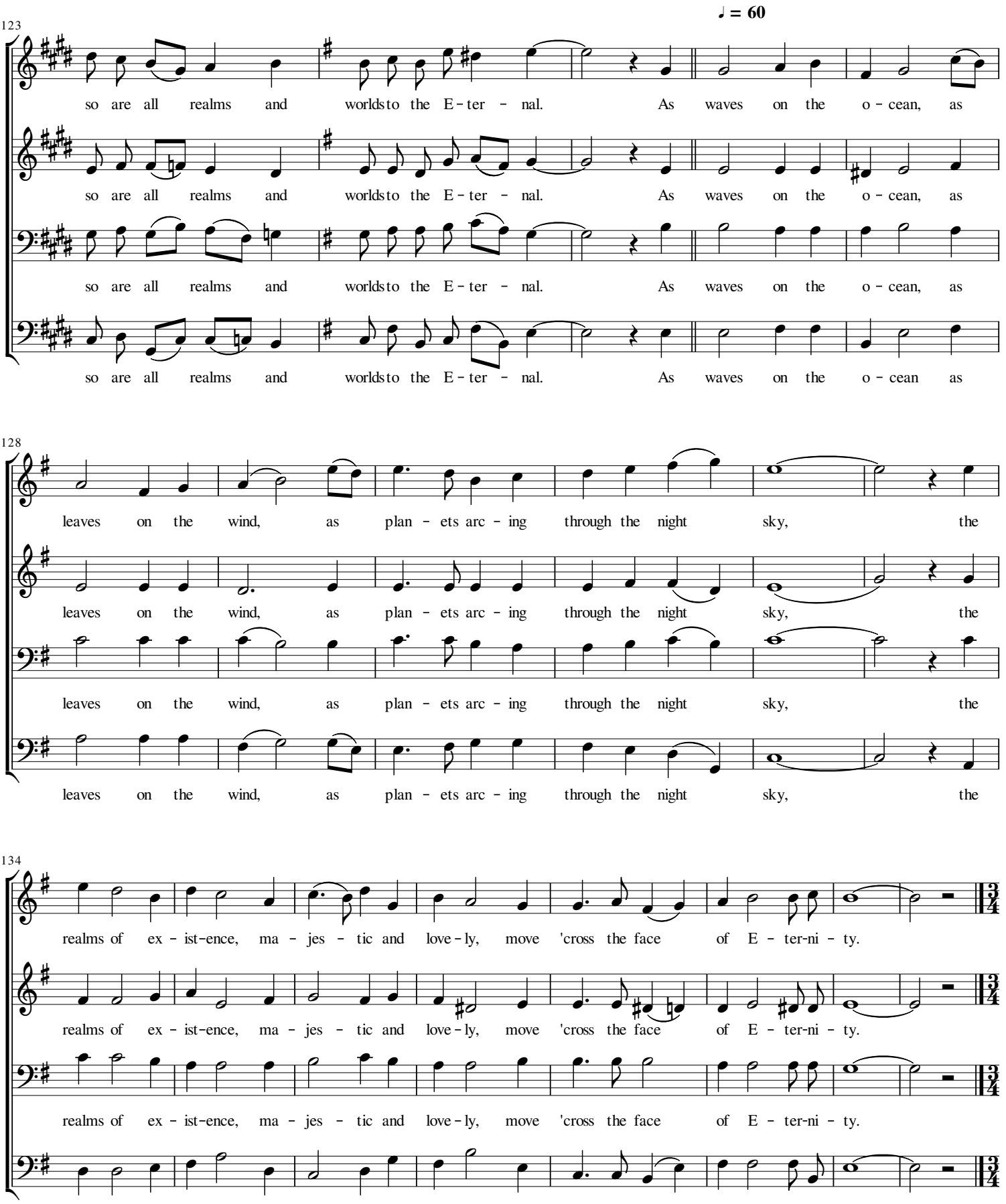
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123
so are all realms and worldsto the E - ter - nal. As waves on the o - cean, as
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so are all realms and worldsto the E - ter - nal. As waves on the o - cean, as
so are all realms and worldsto the E - ter - nal. As waves on the o - cean as
128
leaves on the wind, as plan - ets arc - ing through the night sky, the
leaves on the wind, as plan - ets arc - ing through the night sky, the
leaves on the wind, as plan - ets arc - ing through the night sky, the
leaves on the wind, as plan - ets arc - ing through the night sky, the
134
realms of ex - ist-ence, ma - jes - tic and love - ly, move 'cross the face of E - ter-ni - ty.
realms of ex - ist-ence, ma - jes - tic and love - ly, move 'cross the face of E - ter-ni - ty.
realms of ex - ist-ence, ma - jes - tic and love - ly, move 'cross the face of E - ter-ni - ty.
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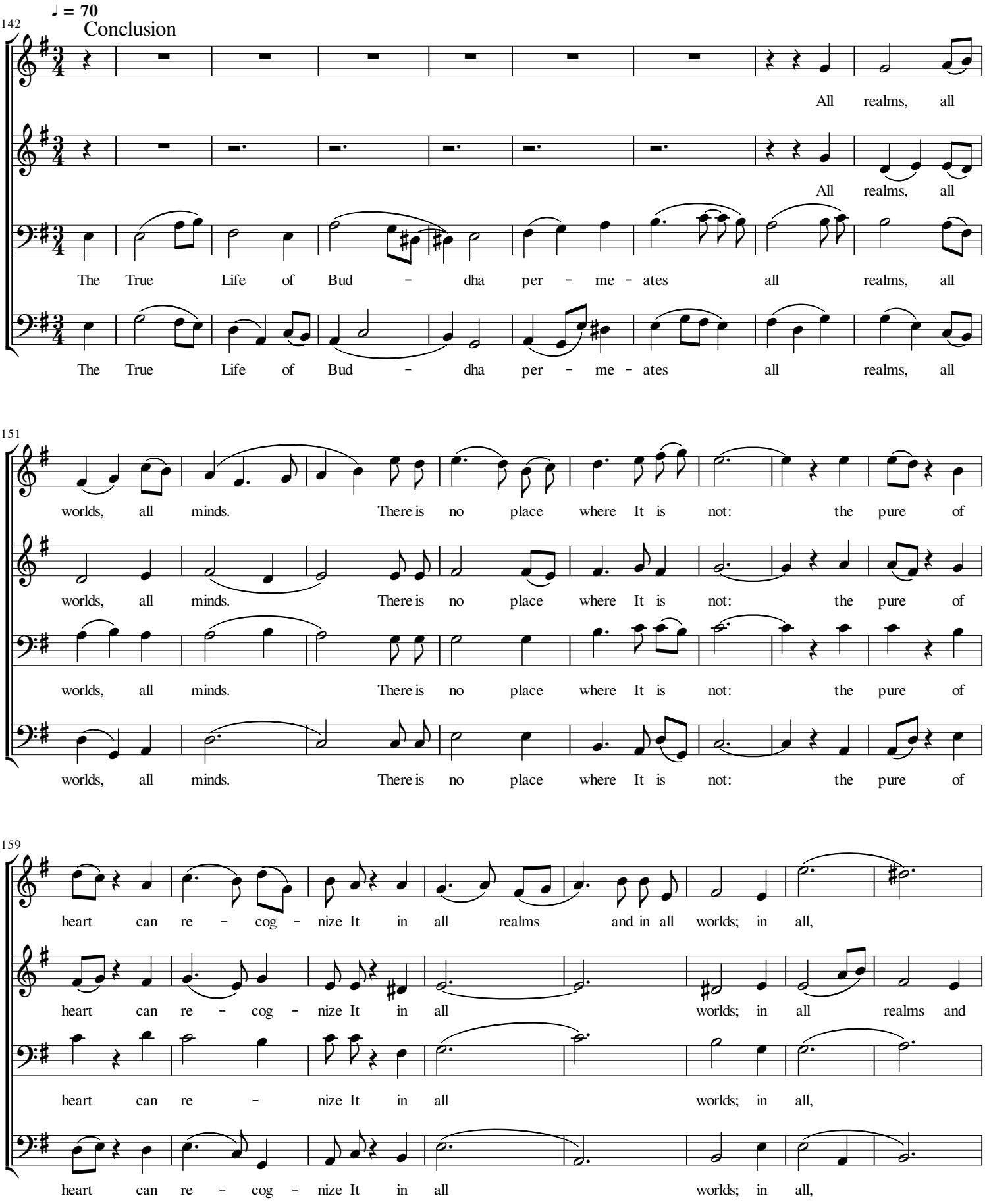
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Conclusion
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All realms, all
All realms, all
The True Life of Bud - dha per - me - ates all realms, all
The True Life of Bud - dha per - me - ates all realms, all
151
worlds, all minds. There is no place where It is not: the pure of
worlds, all minds. There is no place where It is not: the pure of
worlds, all minds. There is no place where It is not: the pure of
worlds, all minds. There is no place where It is not: the pure of
159
heart can re - cog - nize It in all realms and in all worlds; in all,
heart can re - cog - nize It in all worlds; in all realms and
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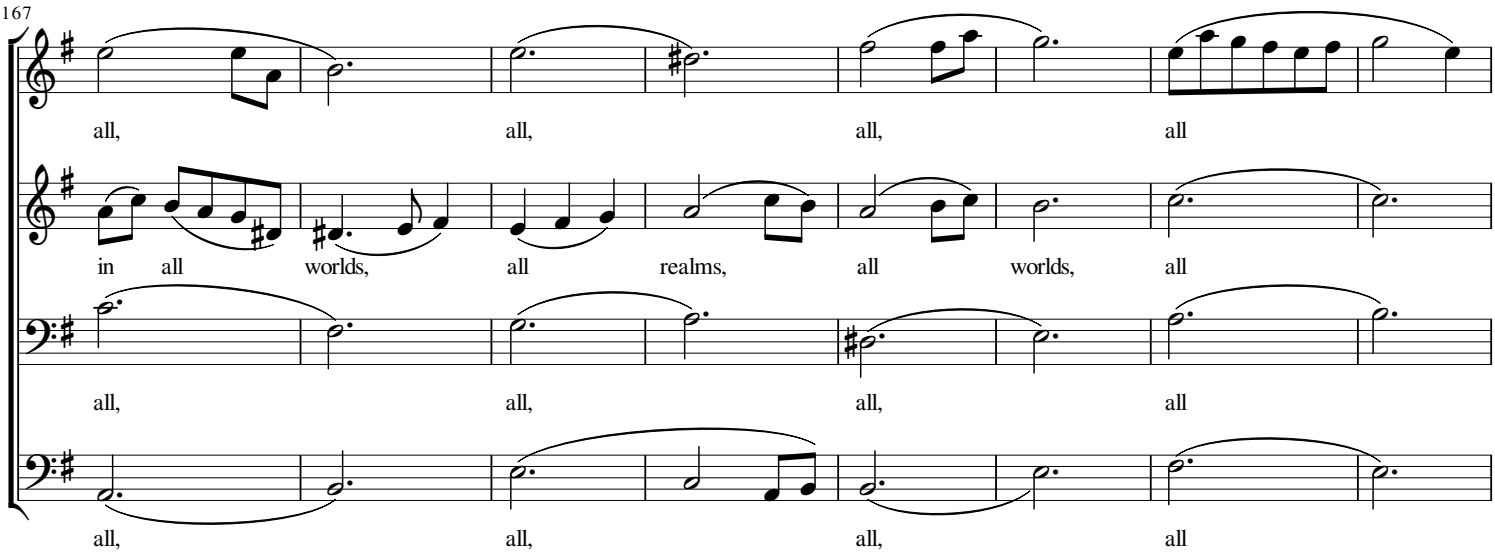
heart can re - cog - nize It in all worlds; in all,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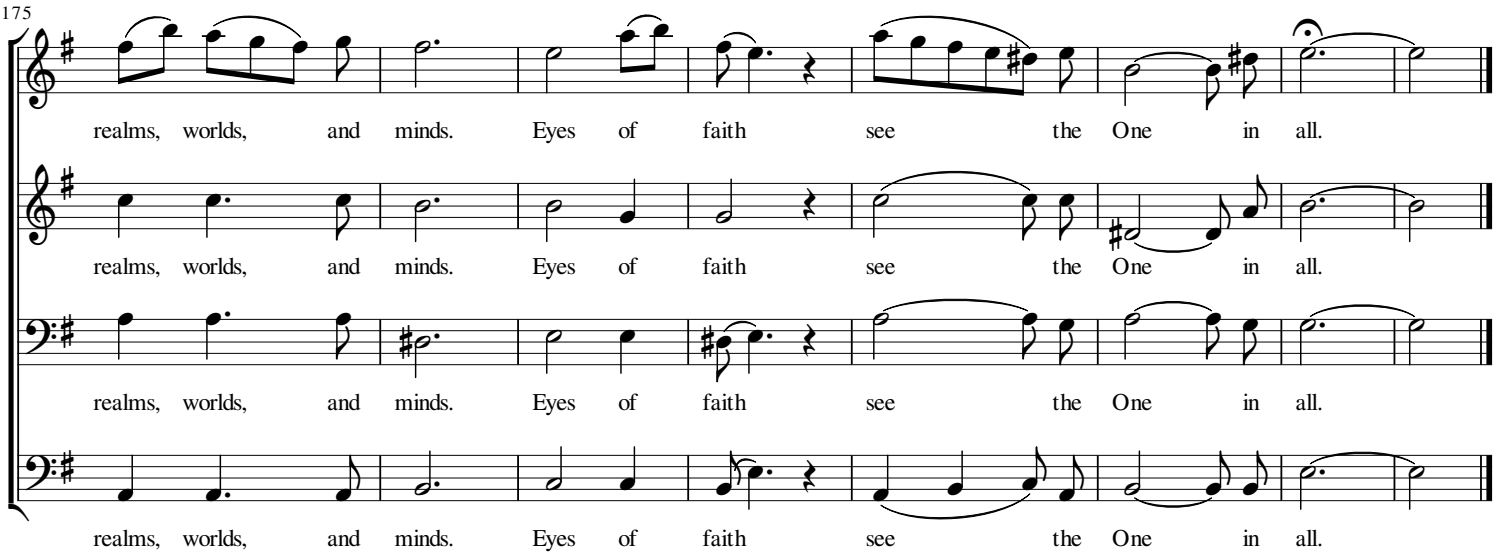
all, all, all, all
in all worlds, all realms, all worlds, all
all, all, all, all
all, all, all, all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realms, worlds, and minds. Eyes of faith see the One in all.
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