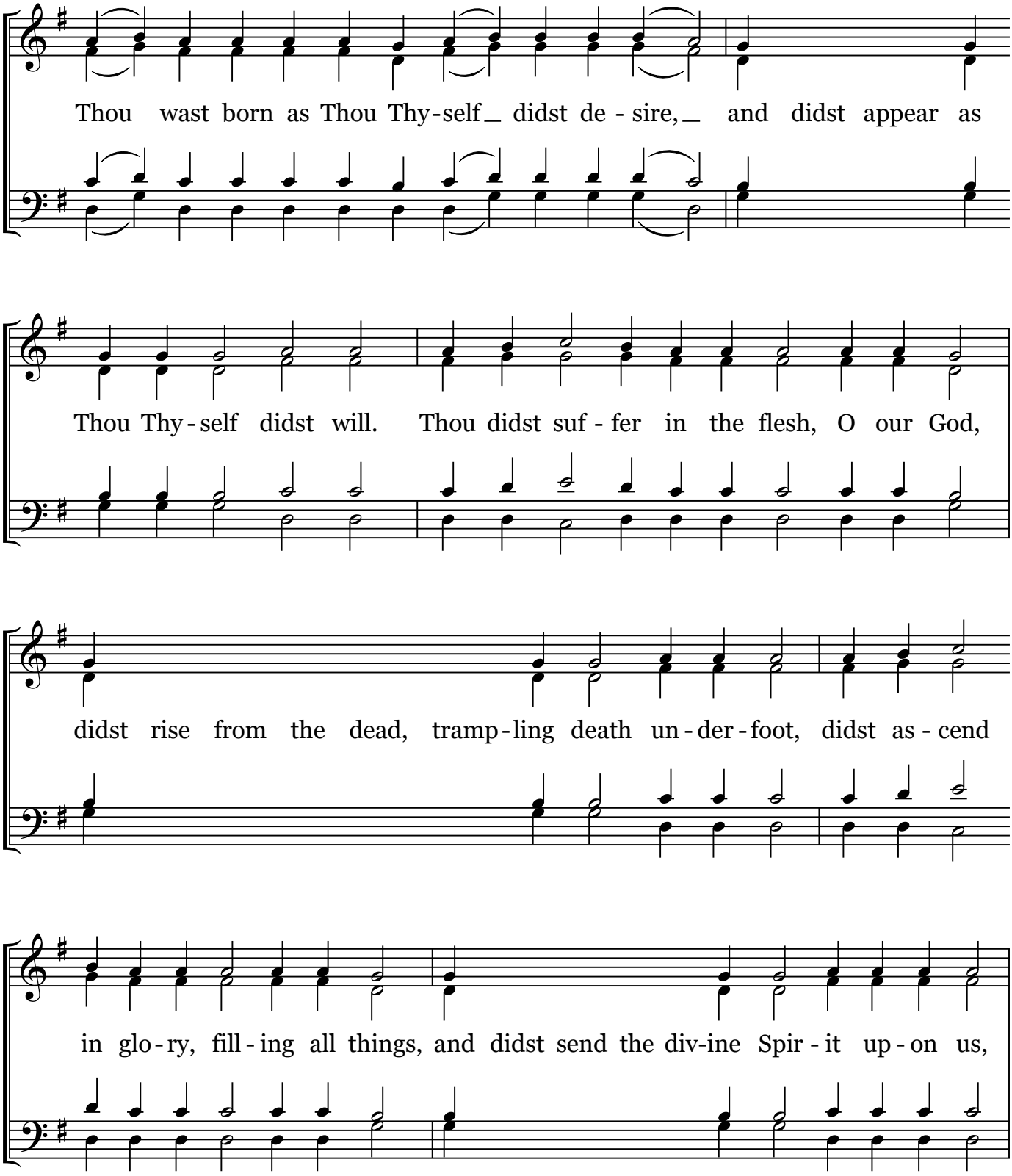
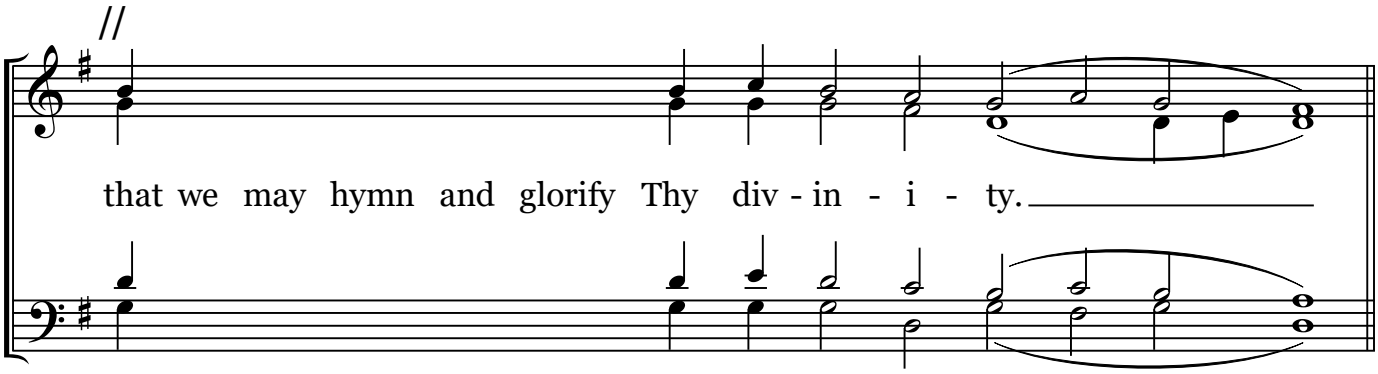
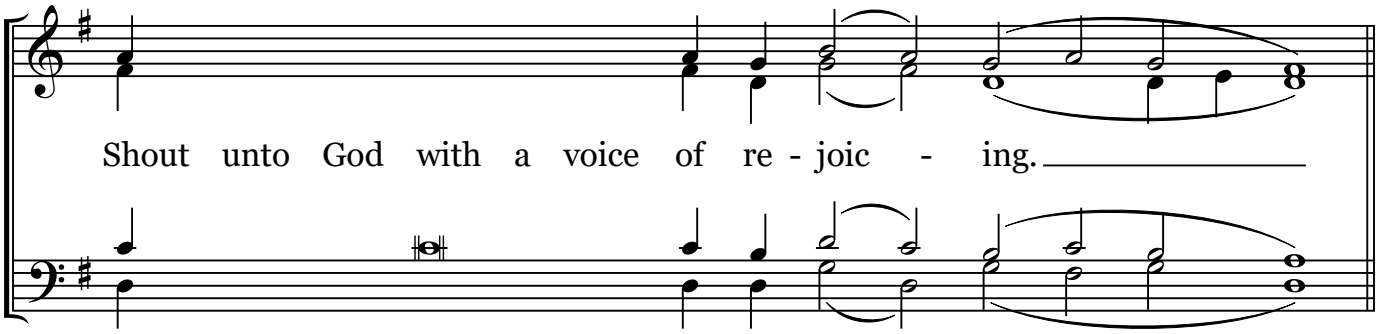
The Aposticha

Reader: **In the 2nd Tone— Thou wast born as Thou Thyself didst desire**



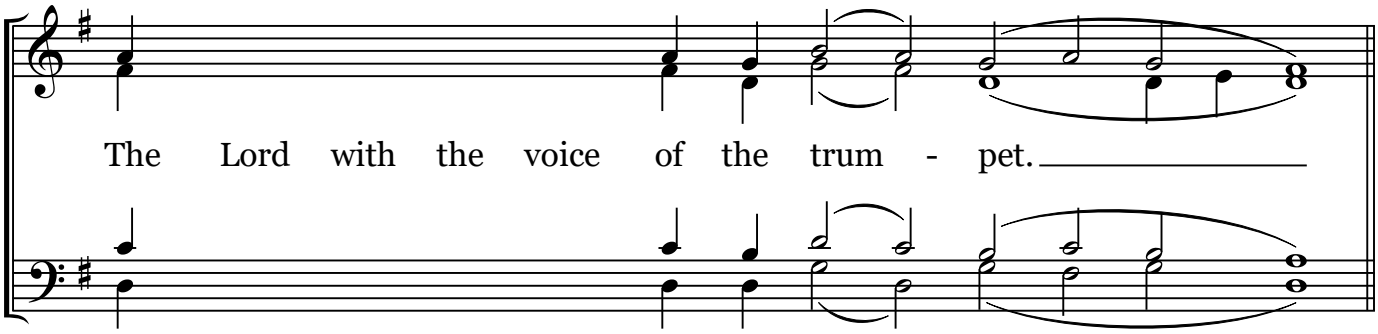


Reader: **Clap your hands, all ye nations;**



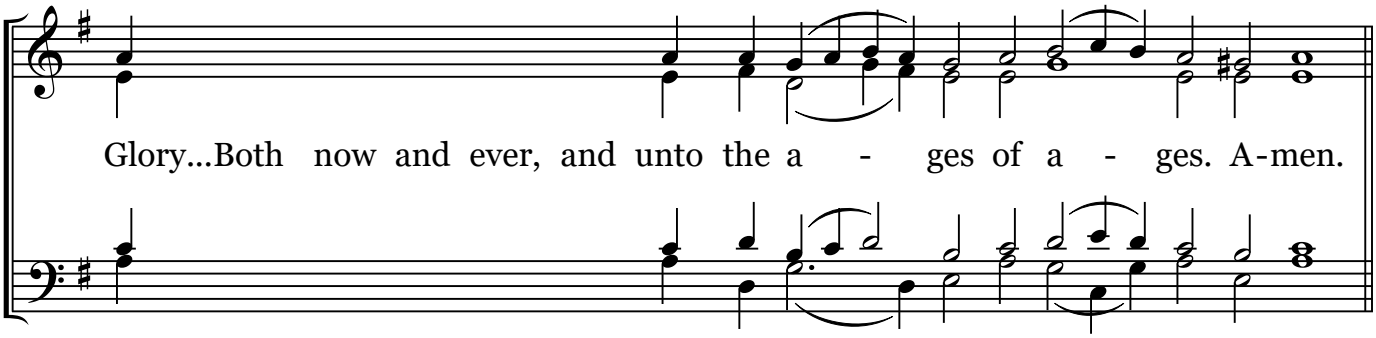
When Thou wast taken up from the Mount of Olives, O Christ, /
the hosts, beholding Thee, cried one to another: "Who is this?" /
And it was said to them: "This is He Who is mighty and powerful! /
This is He Who is mighty in battle! /
This is He Who is truly the King of glory!" /
"Why are His garments red?" /
"He cometh from Bozrah, which is the flesh." /
And having as God sat at the right hand of majesty, //
Thou didst send us the Holy Spirit, that He might guide and save our souls.

Reader: **God is gone up in jubilation,**



Thou didst ascend in glory /
on the Mount of Olives, O Christ God, /
in the presence of Thy disciples, /
didst sit at the right hand of the Father, /
O Thou Who fillest all things with thy divinity; /
and Thou didst send them the Holy Spirit, //
Who enlighteneth, confirmeth and doth hallow our souls.

Reader: **Glory, Both now, in the 6th Tone.**



God hath gone up with jubilation, /
the Lord with the sound of the trumpet, /
to raise the fallen form of Adam, //
and to send the Comforting Spirit to sanctify our souls.

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