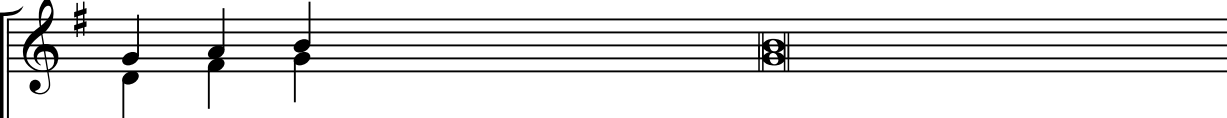


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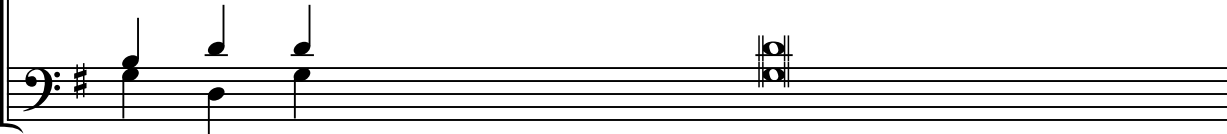
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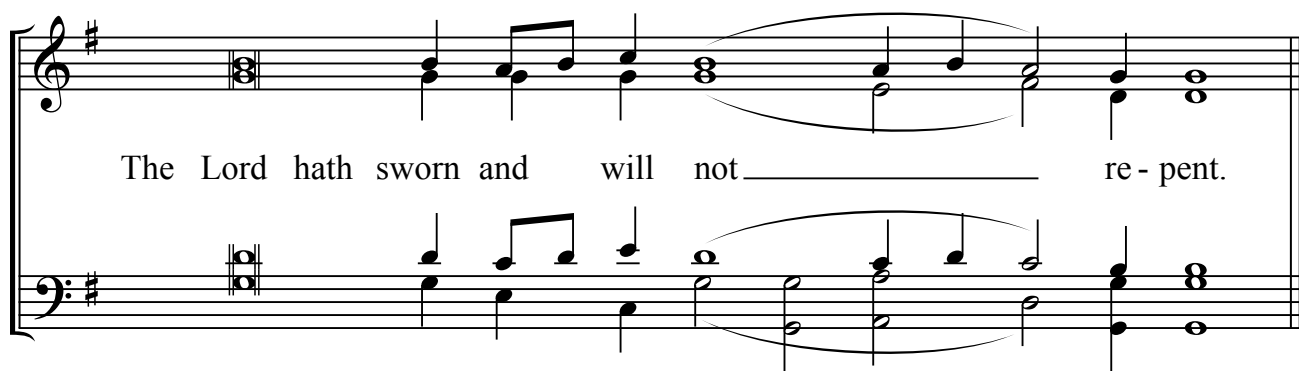


From the womb before the morning star have I begotten Thee.

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The Lord hath sworn and will not re - pent.

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Stichos: Sit Thou at My right hand, until I make Thine enemies the footstool of Thy feet.

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