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In Memory of Our Foremothers, Who Fought For Our Deliverance

PSALMS OF LUMINOUS RESCUE*

7. Psalm 143 (O, Hear My Prayer)

O, hear my prayer, for my enemies have sought my life;
they have crushed me to the ground.
I flee to you; my heart within me is desolate.
Let me hear of your loving-kindness in the morning,
for I put my trust in you.

Adapted from The Psalter,
The Book of Common Prayer

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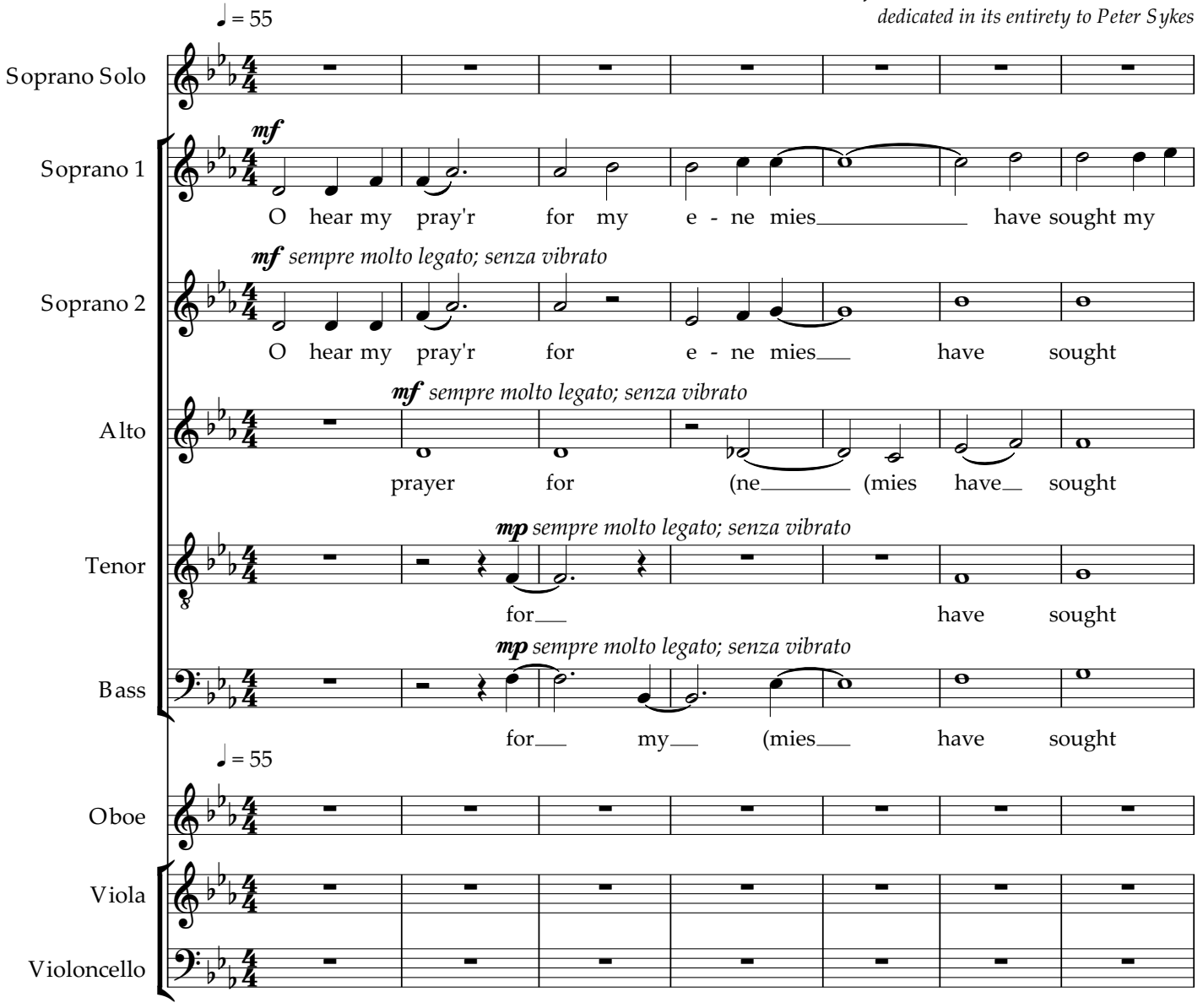
dedicated in its entirety to Peter Sykes



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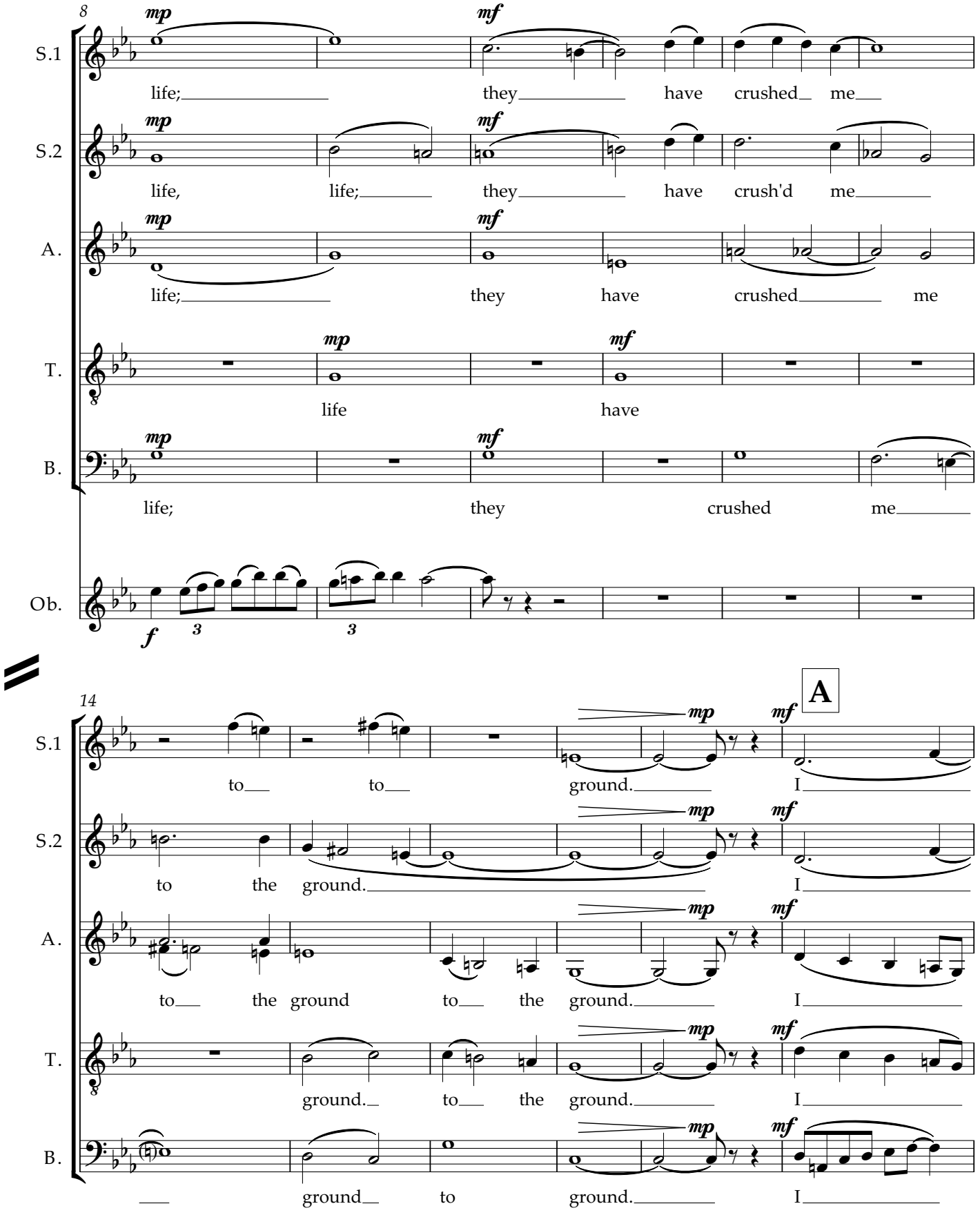
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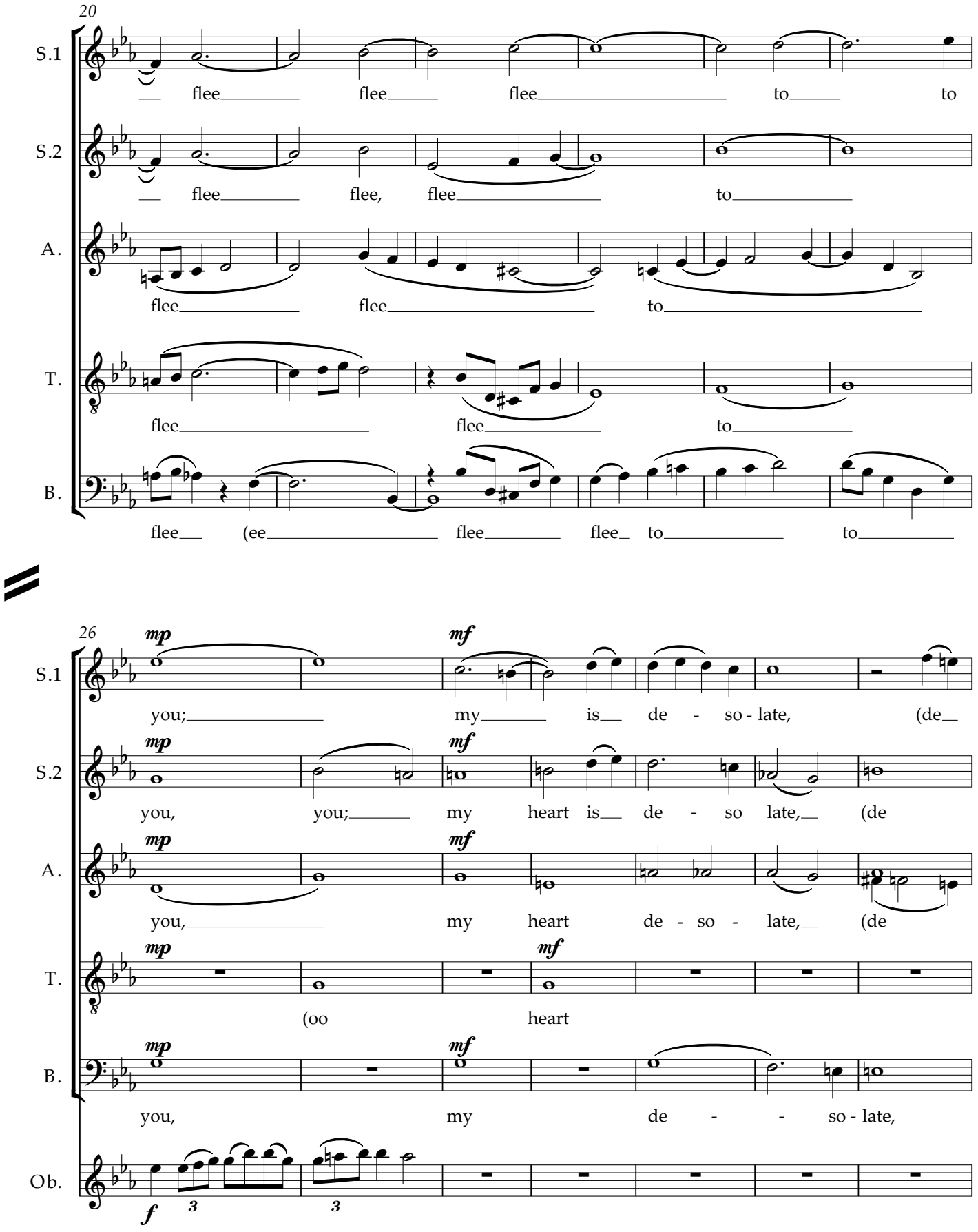
S.1
mp
mf
life; they have crushed me
S.2
life, life; they have crush'd me
A.
life; they have crushed me
T.
life have
B.
life; they crushed me
Ob.
f
3
14
A
to to ground. I
to the ground. I
to the ground to the ground. I
ground. to the ground. I
ground to ground. I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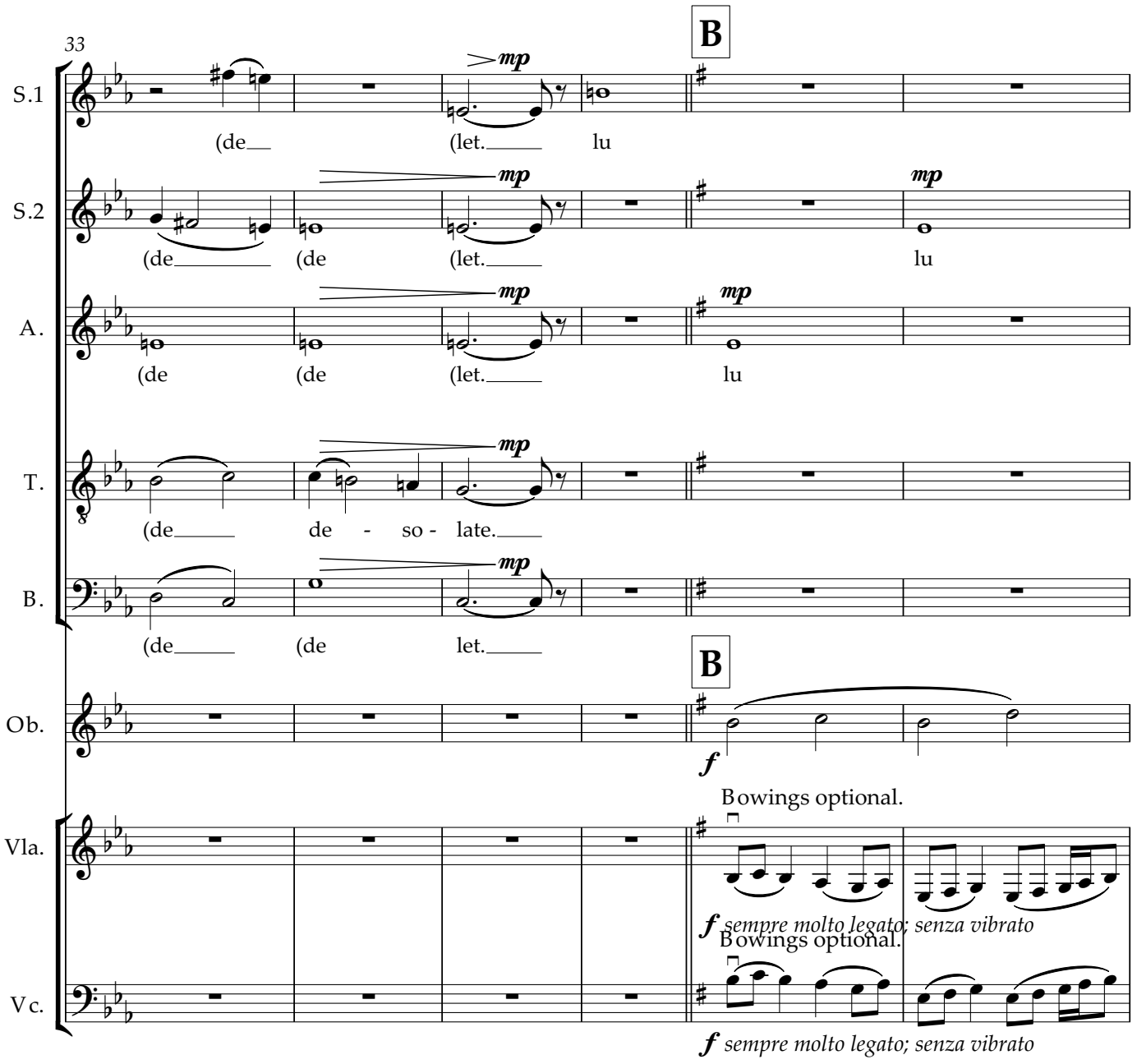
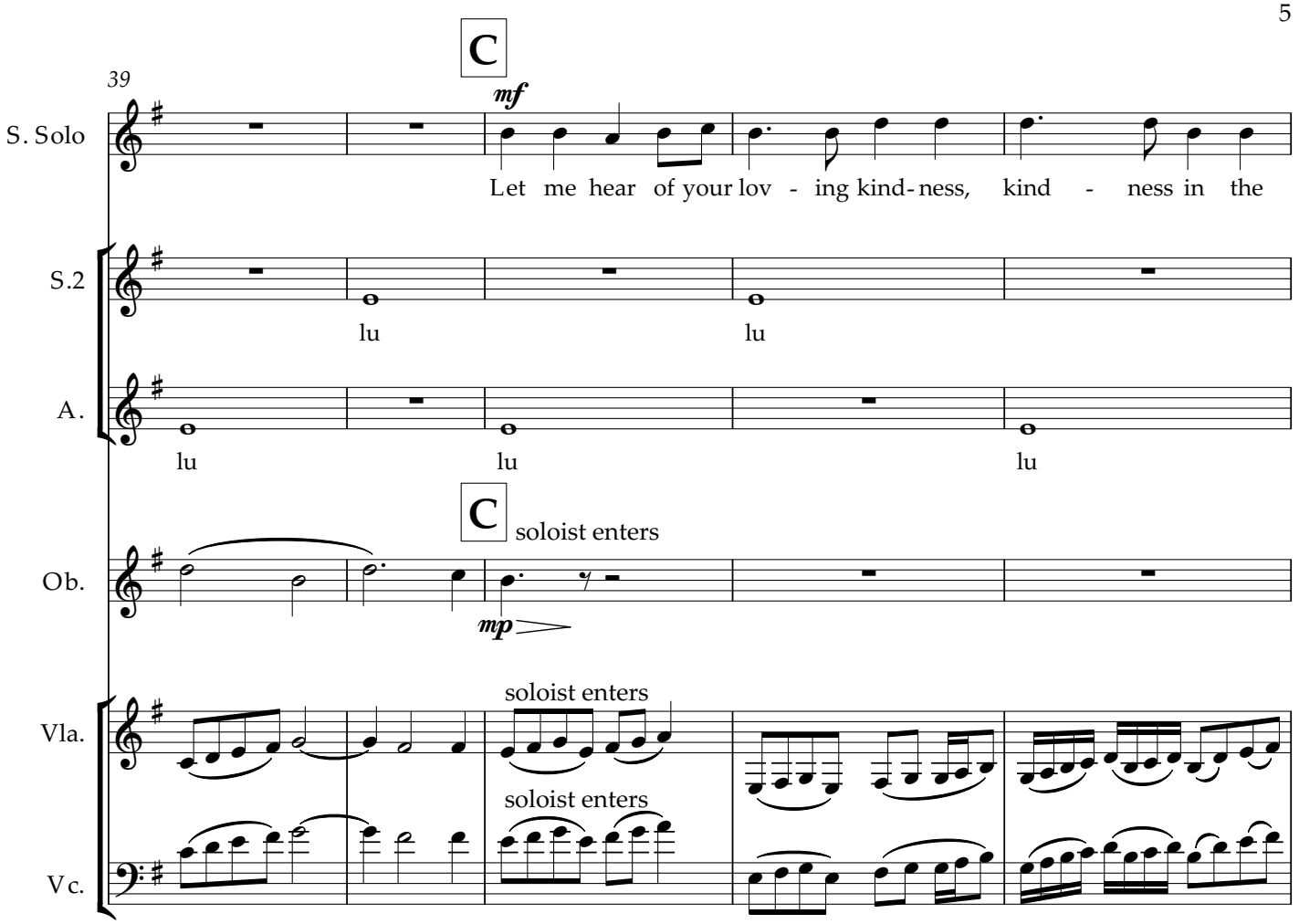
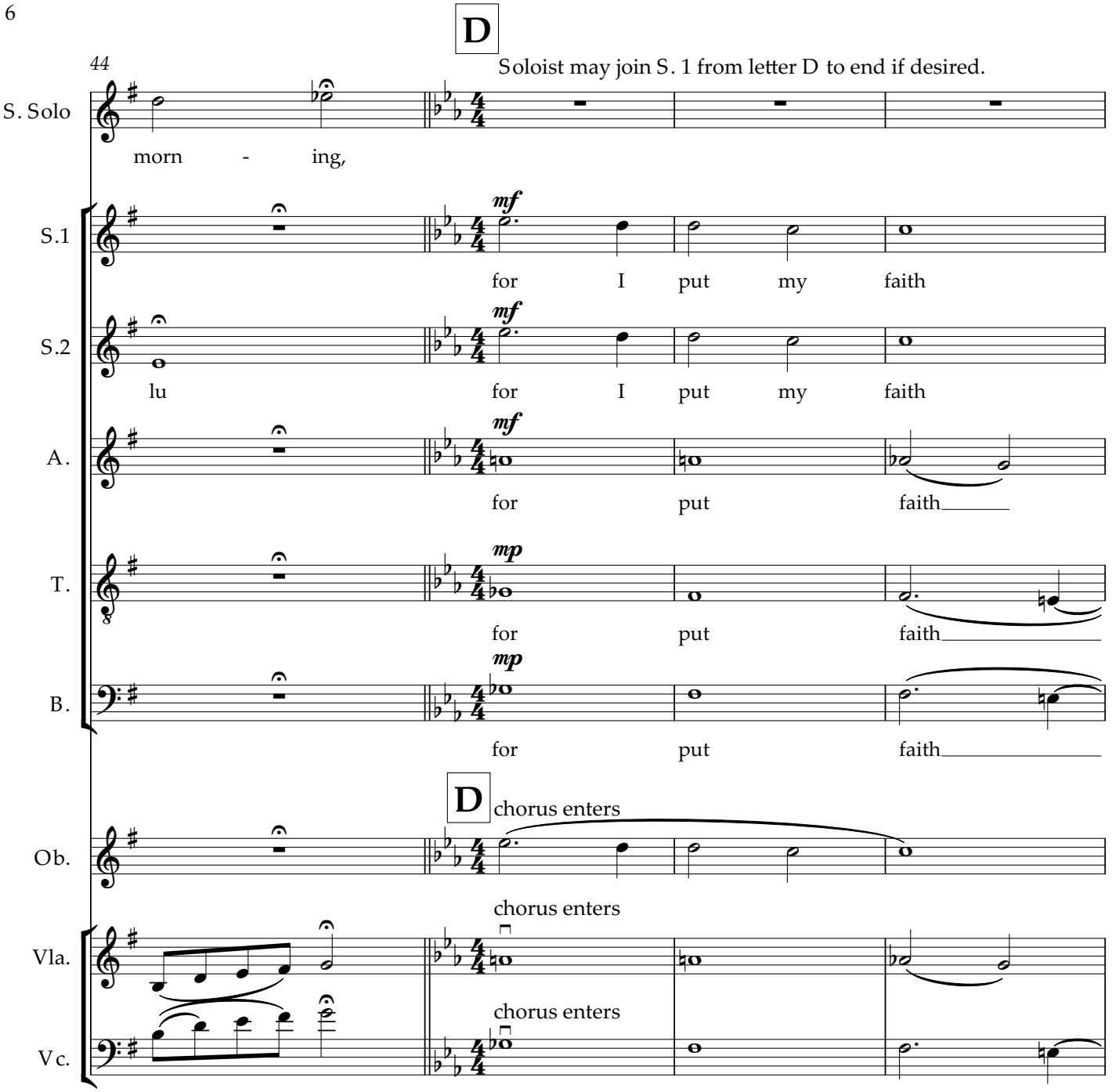
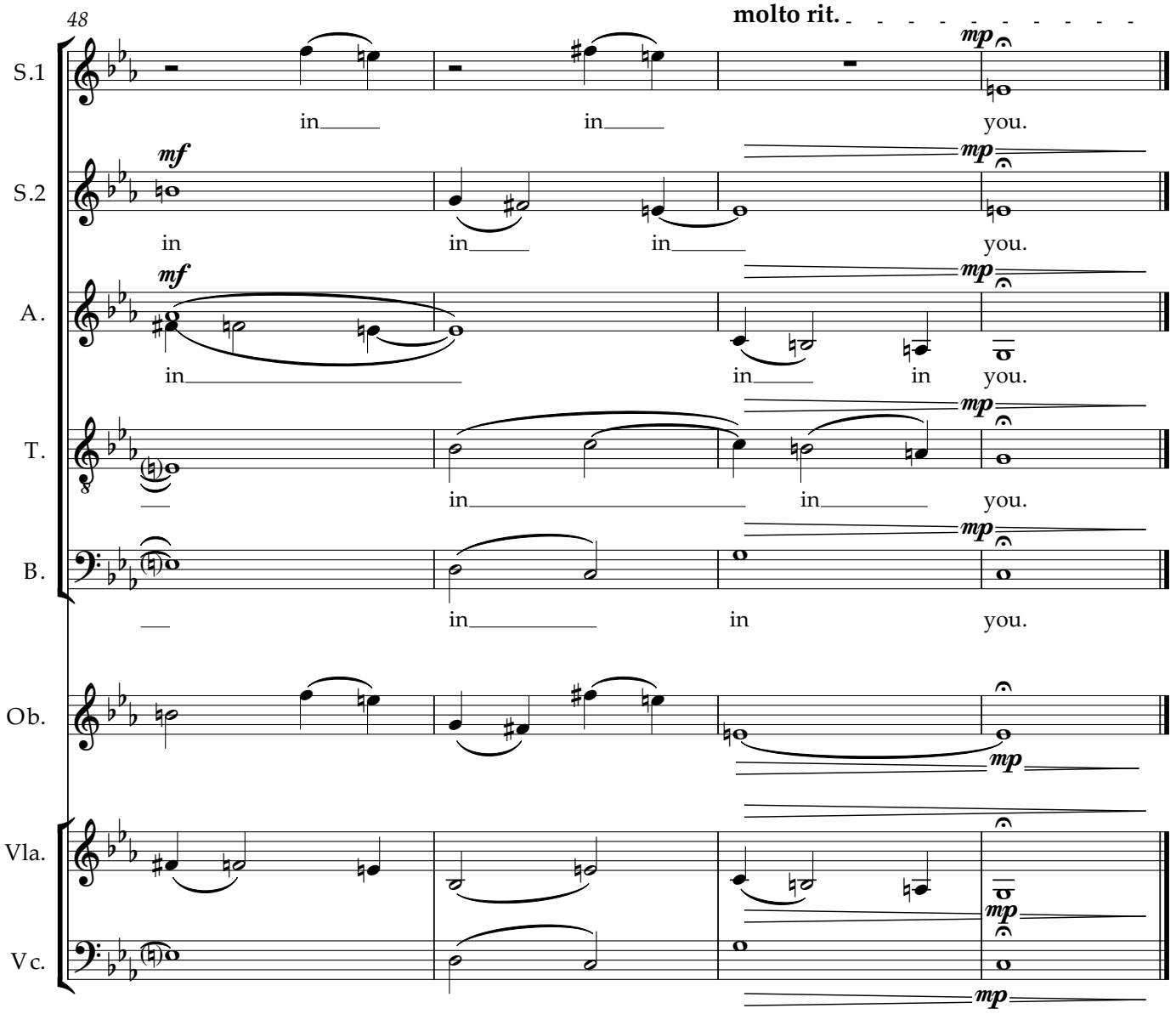
S.1
flee flee flee to to
S.2
flee flee, flee to
A.
flee flee to
T.
flee flee to
B.
flee (ee flee flee to to
26
mp
mf
S.1
you; my is de - so - late, (de
S.2
you, you; my heart is de - so late, (de
A.
you, my heart de - so - late, (de
T.
(oo heart
B.
you, my de - - so - late,
Ob.
f


33
B
S.1
(de
(let.
lu
S.2
(de
(de
(let.
lu
A.
(de
(de
(let.
lu
T.
(de
de - so - late.
B.
(de
(de
let.
B
Ob.
Bowings optional.
Vla.
sempre molto legato; senza vibrato
Bowings optional.
Vc.
sempre molto legato; senza vibrato


C
39
mf
S. Solo
Let me hear of your lov - ing kind - ness, kind - ness in the
S.2
lu
lu
A.
lu
lu
lu
C
soloist enters
Ob.
mp
soloist enters
Vla.
soloist enters
Vc.


D
44
Soloist may join S. 1 from letter D to end if desired.
S. Solo
morn - ing,
S.1
mf
for I put my faith
S.2
lu
mf
for I put my faith
A.
mf
for put faith
T.
mp
for put faith
B.
mp
for put faith
D
chorus enters
Ob.
chorus enters
Vla.
chorus enters
Vc.


48
molto rit.
S.1
in in you.
S.2
in in in you.
A.
in in in you.
T.
in in you.
B.
in in you.
Ob.
Vla.
Vc.