

## Of the Father's Heart Begotten

(Corde natus ex Parentis)

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tr. J.M. Neale (1854) and H.W. Baker  
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(11th cent.), via Piae Cantiones  
(1582), arr. Douglas Brooks-Davies

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Fa-- ther's heart be-- got-- ten Ere the worlds be--  
Word the worlds were made; He com--- mand--- ed;

gan to be, He is Al--- pha and O--- me-----  
it was done; Heav'n is and earth and depths of o-----

ga, He the source, the end----- ing He, Of the  
cean In their three--- fold or----- der one; All that

things that are, that have been, And that  
grows be--- neath the shin--- ing Of the orbs of the

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fu--- ture years shall see, E--- ver-- more and e--- ver-- more.  
moon and high-- est sun, E--- ver-- more and e--- ver--more.

3. O that birth for ever blessed!  
When the Virgin, full of grace,  
By the Holy Ghost conceiving,  
Bare the Saviour of our race,  
And the Babe, the world's Redeemer,  
First revealed His sacred face,  
*Evermore and evermore.*

4. O ye heights of heaven, adore Him;  
Angel-hosts, His praises sing;  
Powers, dominions, bow before Him,  
And extol our God and King;  
Let no tongue on earth be silent,  
Every voice in concert ring,  
*Evermore and evermore.*

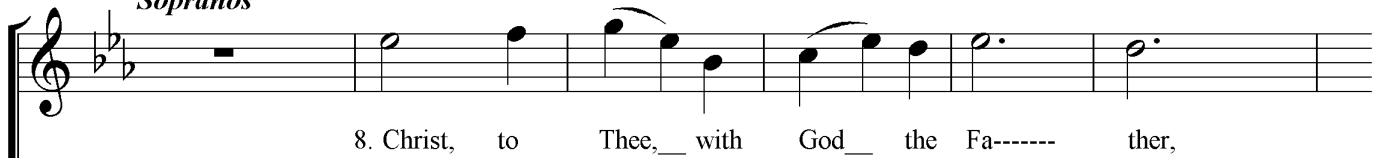
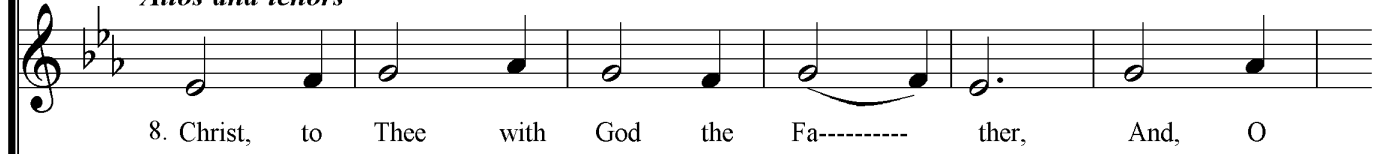
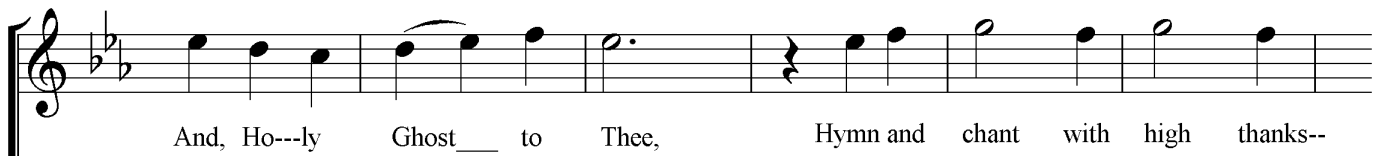
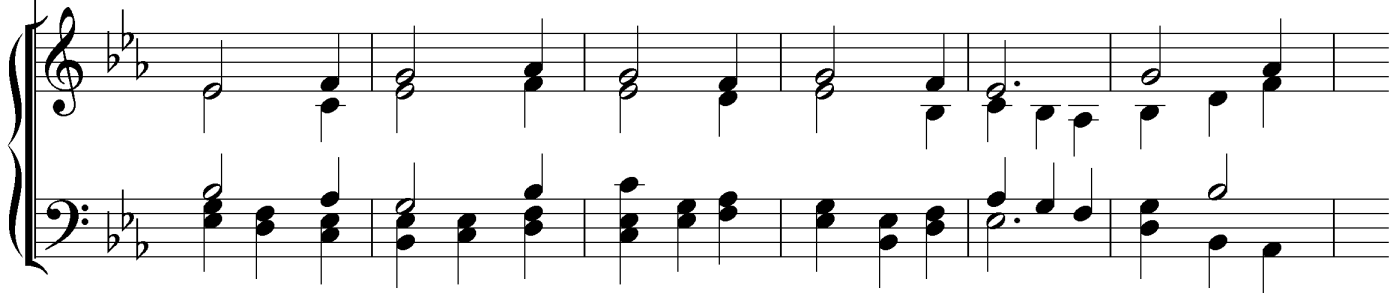
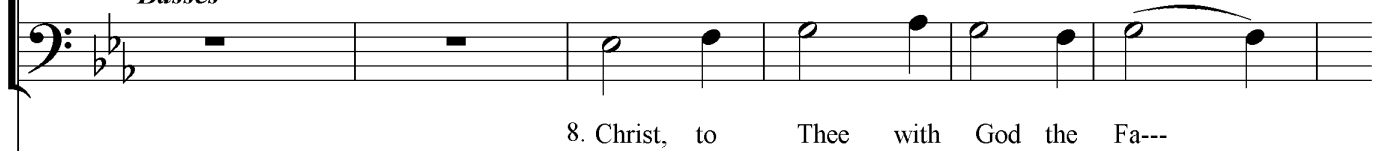
5. This is He whom seers of old time  
Chanted of with one accord;  
Whom the voices of the prophets  
Promised in their faithful word;  
Now He shines, the long-expected:  
Let creation praise its Lord  
*Evermore and evermore.*

6. Glorious Judge of souls departed!  
Glorious King of them that live!  
On the Father's throne exalted  
None in might with Thee may strive;  
Who at last in judgement coming  
Sinners from Thy face shall drive,  
*Evermore and evermore.*

7. O, you elders and you young men,  
Join with boys in chorus to sing;  
Women, maidens, little children,  
With glad voices answering:  
Let their guileless songs re-echo  
And the heart its music bring,

*Evermore and evermore.*

*(Verse 8 with descant follows)*

*Sopranos**Altos and tenors**Basses*



giv----- ing, And un--wear-ied prais----- ses be: Ho---- nour

giv----- ing, And un---- wear---- ied prais----- es be:

high thanks-giv-- ing, And un---- wear---- ied prais----- es be: \_\_\_\_\_

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Hon---- our, might and all do--- mi----- ni--- on, \_\_\_\_\_

Hon--- our, might, and all do--- mi----- ni--- ion, all do--- mi----- ni---

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more, e--- ver----- more.