Caedmon's Hymn

For Soprano, Baritone, English Concertina, Harmonium, Contrabass
and improvised Lyre and Bass Viola da Gamba

Text By Caedmon
Translation by Dr. Francis Leneghan
Music by Chris Ferebee

Text

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Nu scylun hergan hefaenricaes uard
Metudaes Maecti end his modgidanc
Uerc uulderfadr sue he uundra gihaues
eci dryctic, or astelidae;
he aerist scop aelda barnum
heben til hrofe, haleg scepen,
tha middumgeard moncynnaes uard;
eci dryctin aefter tiadae
firum foldu, frea allmectig.

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Now we must praise heaven-kingdom's ward,
the measurer's might and His courageous thought,
the work of the glory-father just as He, for every wonder,
eternal Lord established in the beginning;
He first shaped for the sons of men
Heaven as a roof holy shaper
and then Middle-earth mankind's ward;
eternal Lord afterwards created
for the Men on Earth, Lord almighty.

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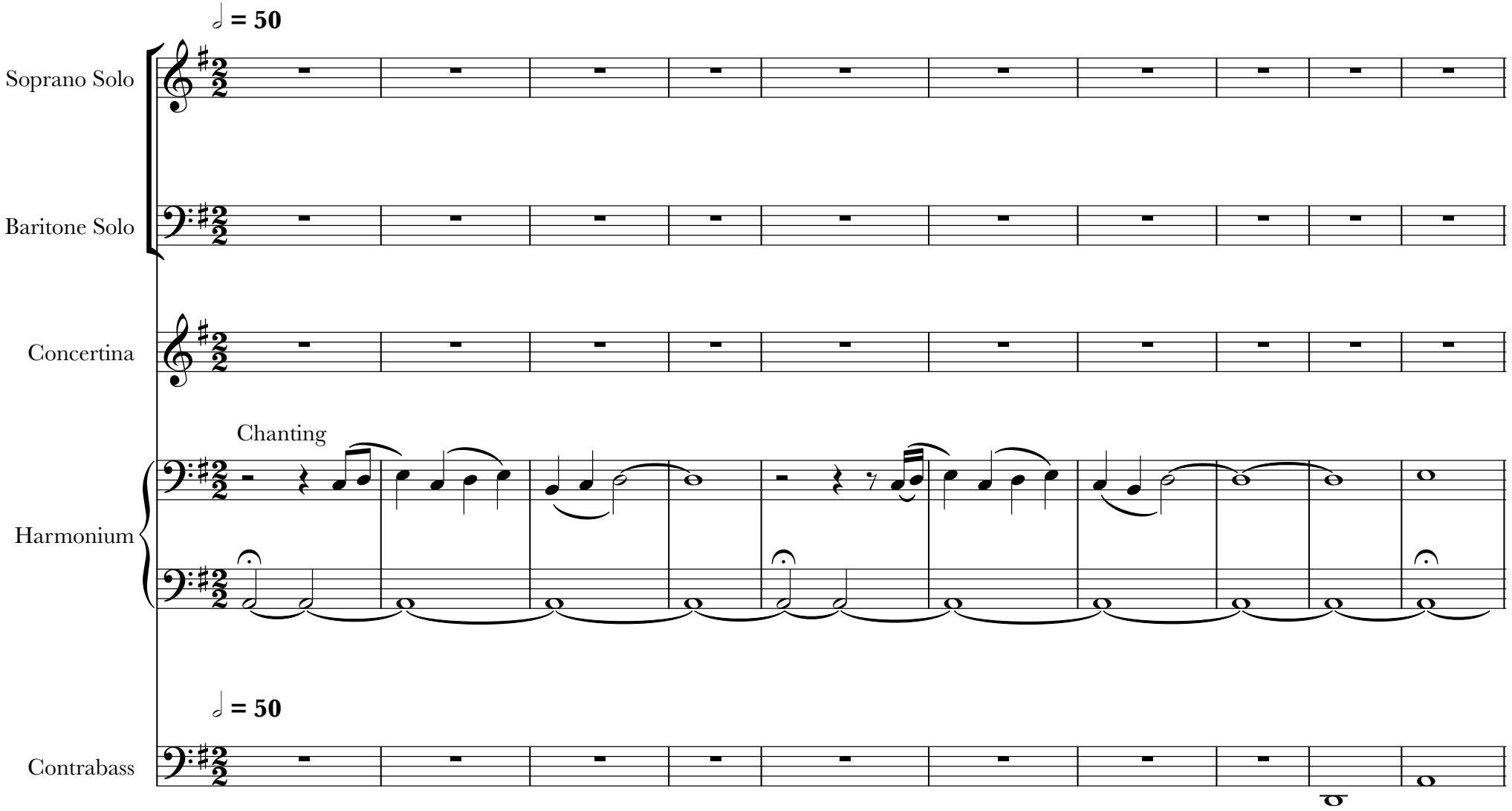

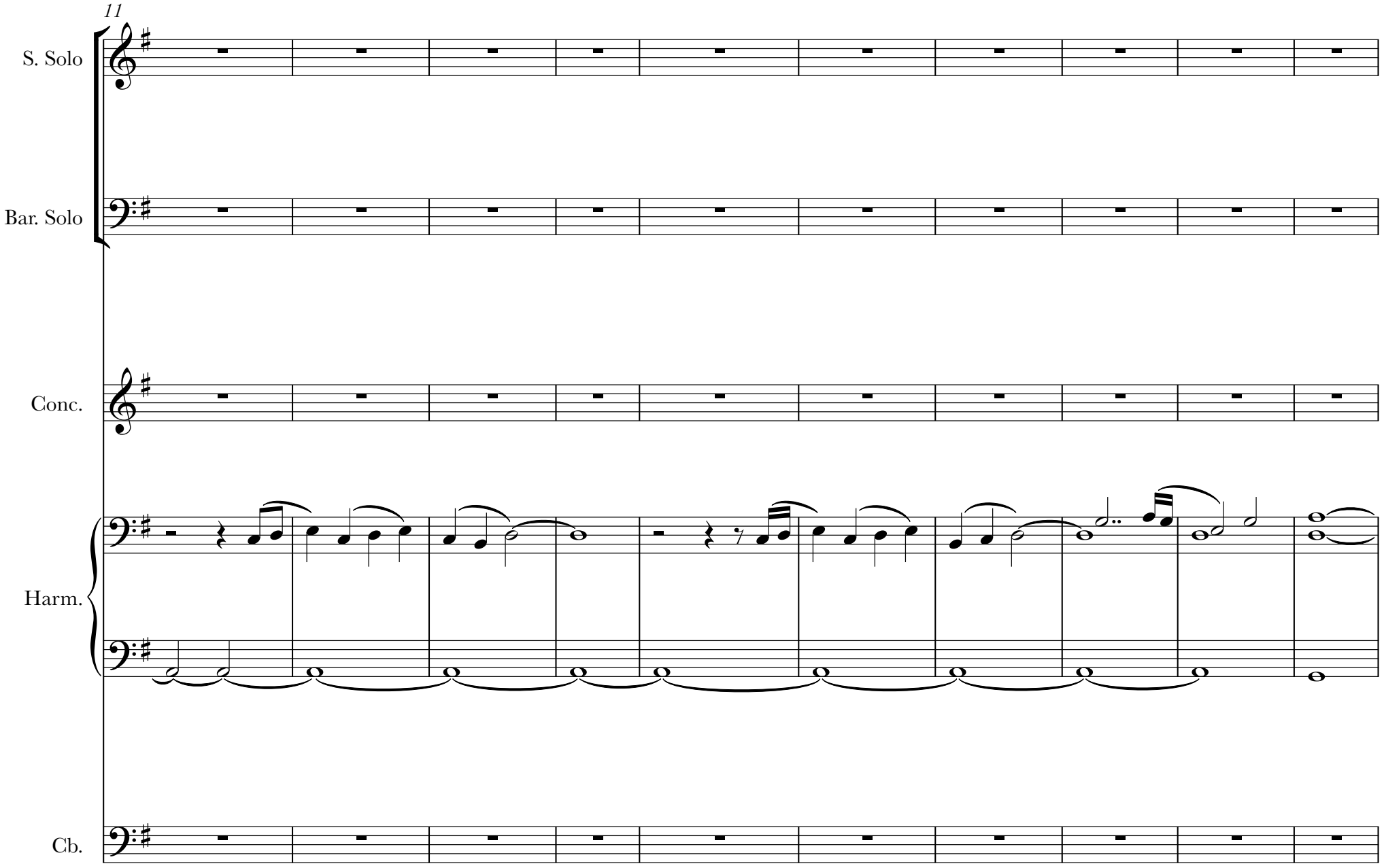
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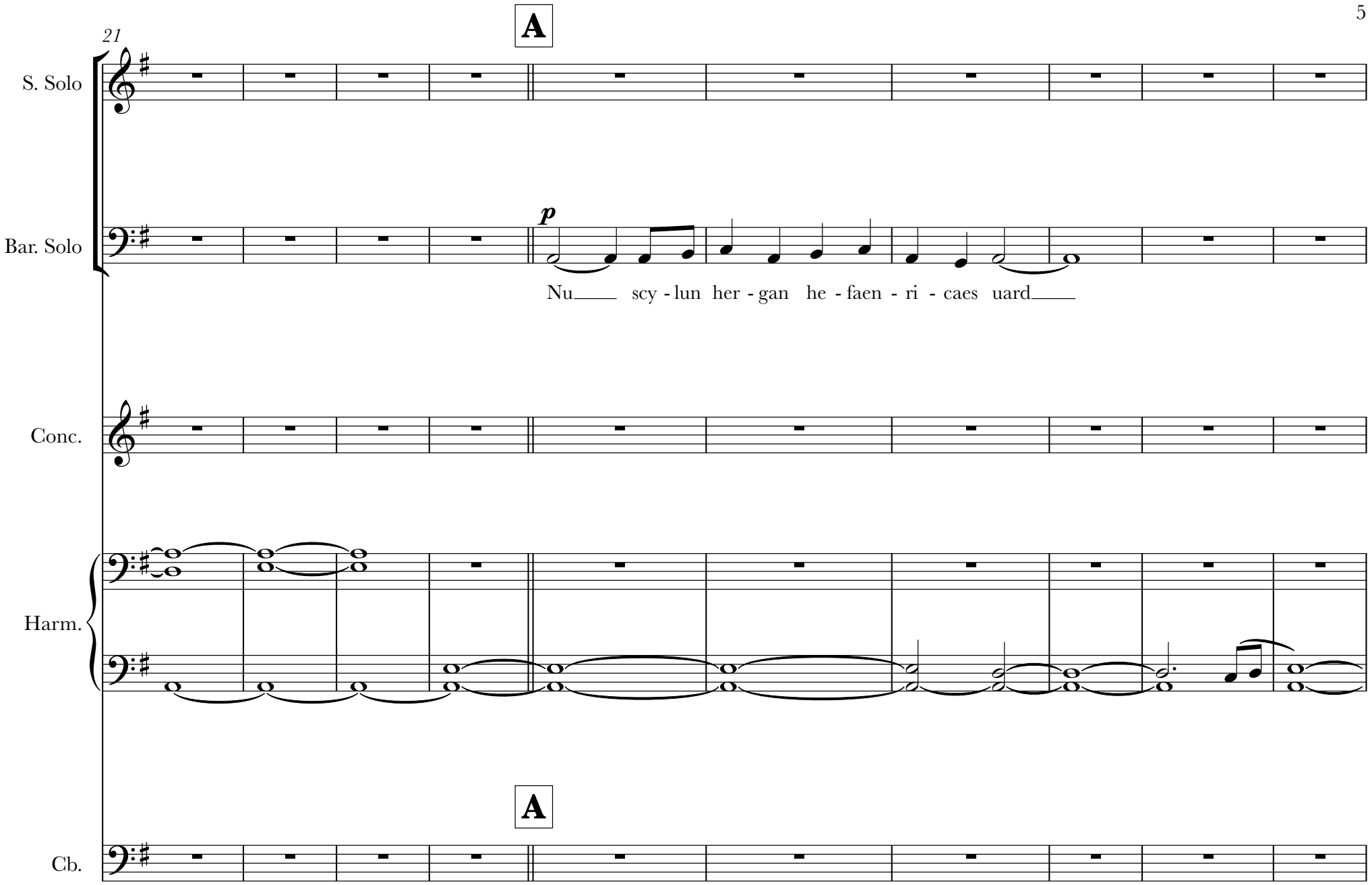
Bar. Solo
Conc.
Harm.
Cb.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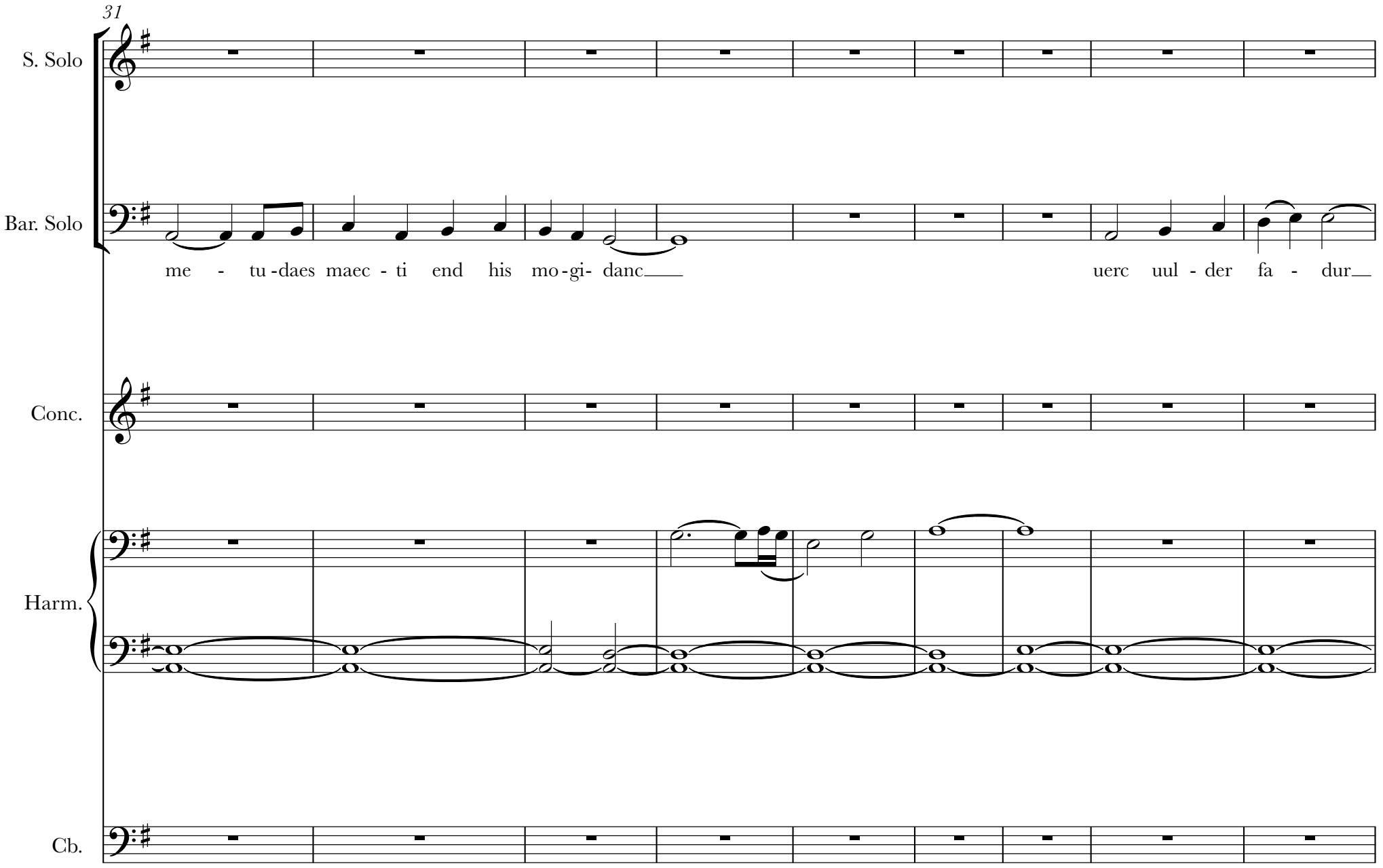
A
Cb.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uerc uul - der fa - dur
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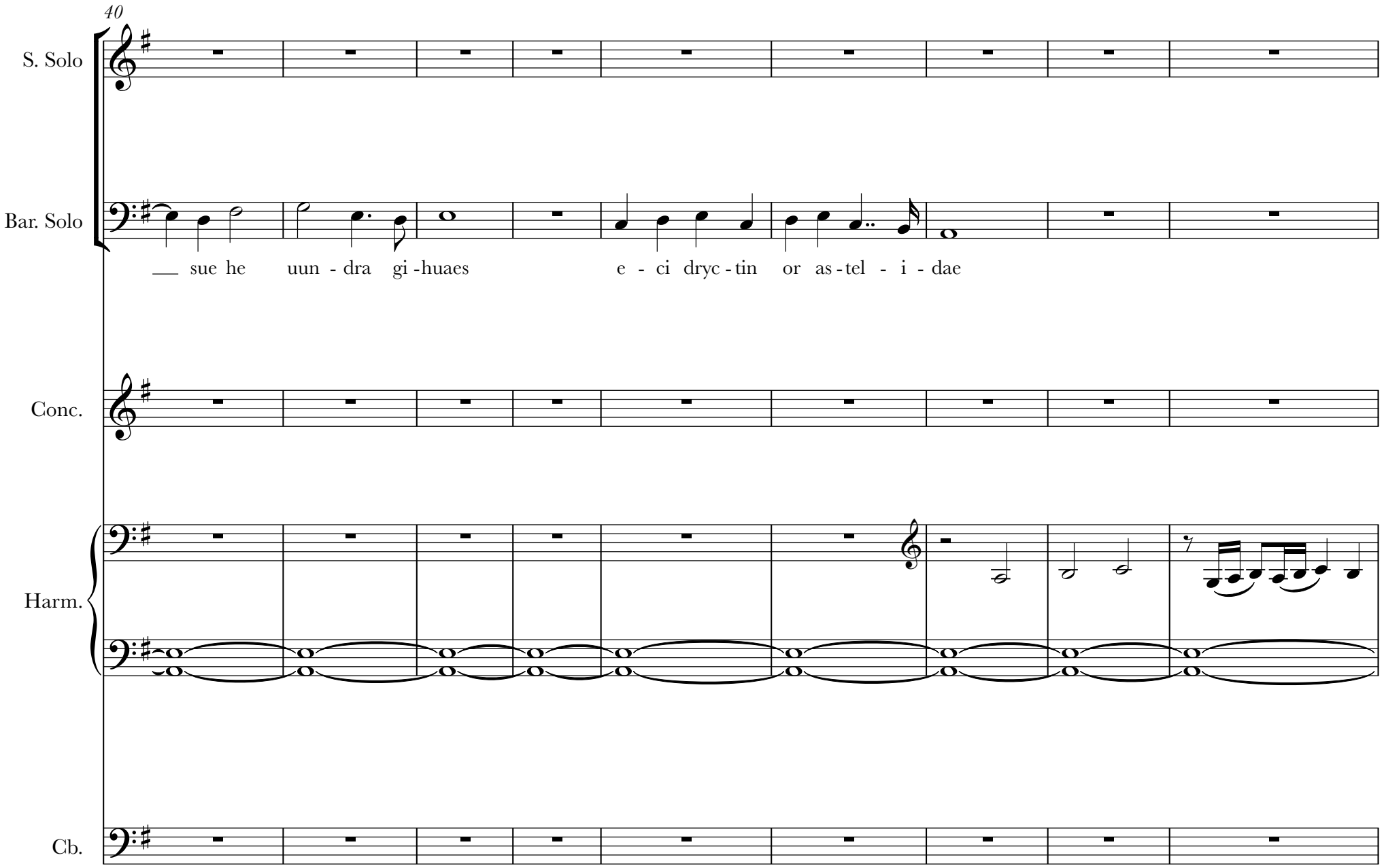
Harm.
Cb.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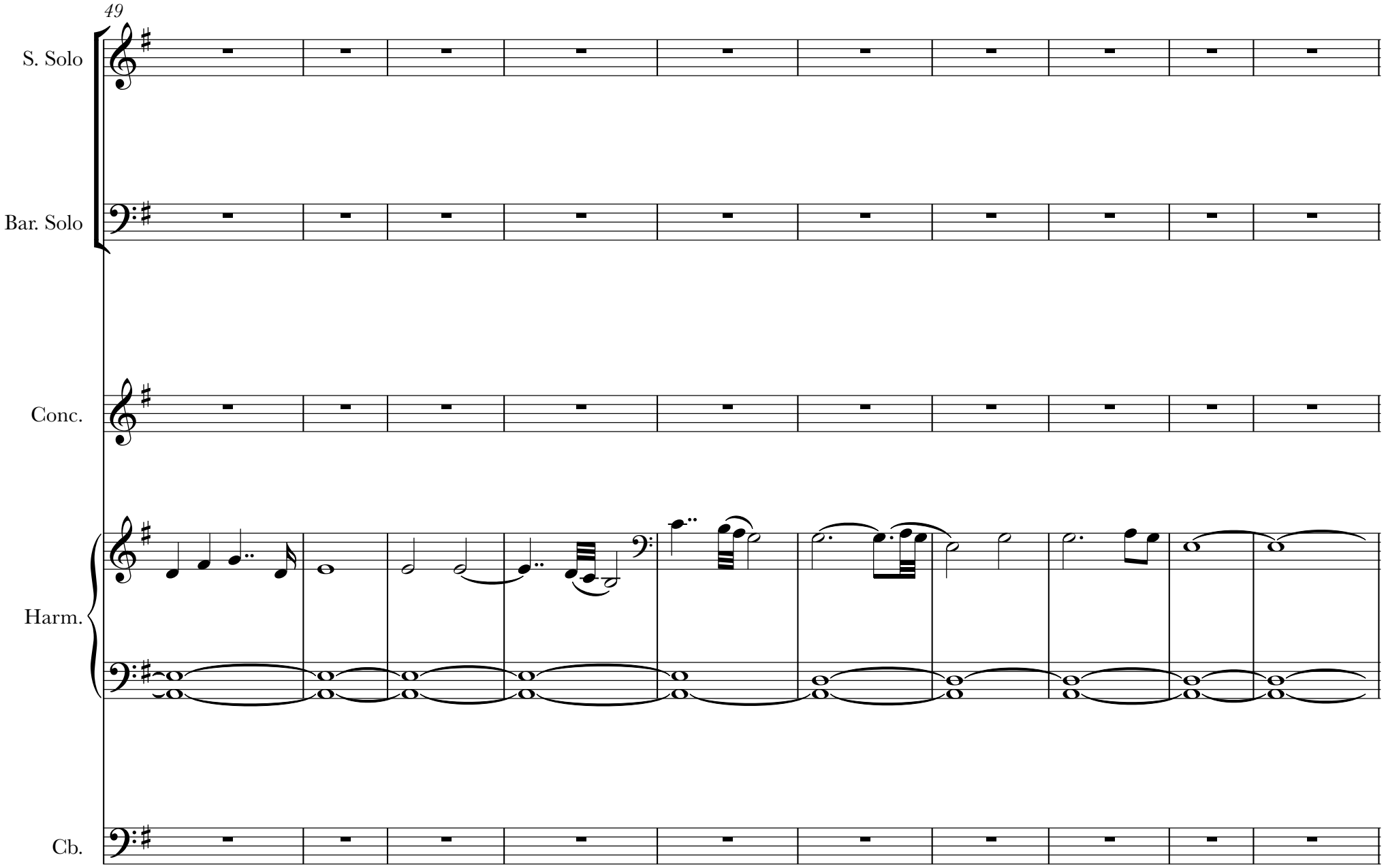
Conc.
Harm.
Cb.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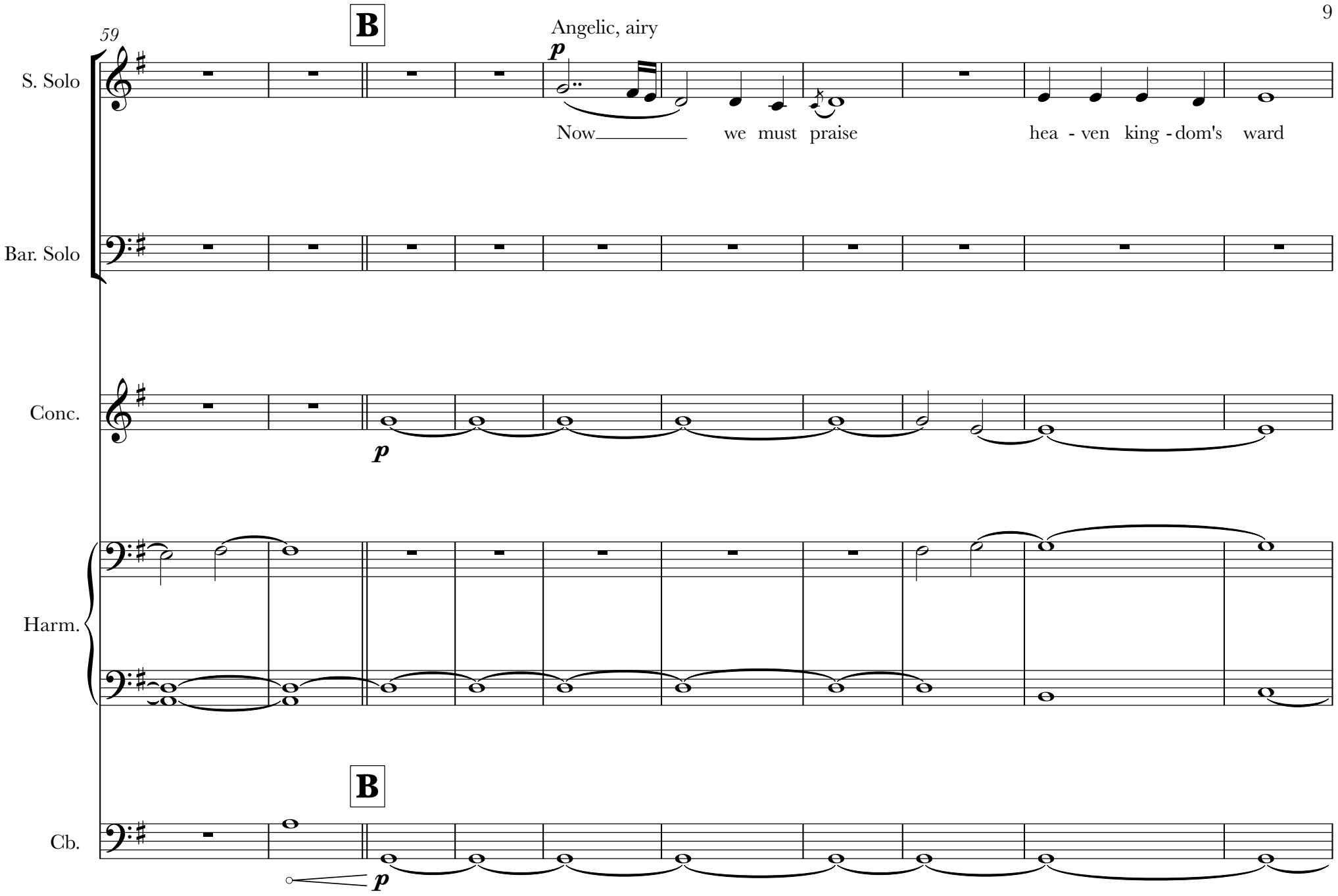
S. Solo
Bar. Solo
Conc.
Harm.
Cb.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S. Solo
Now we must praise hea - ven king - dom's ward
Bar. Solo
Conc.
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Harm.
B
Cb.
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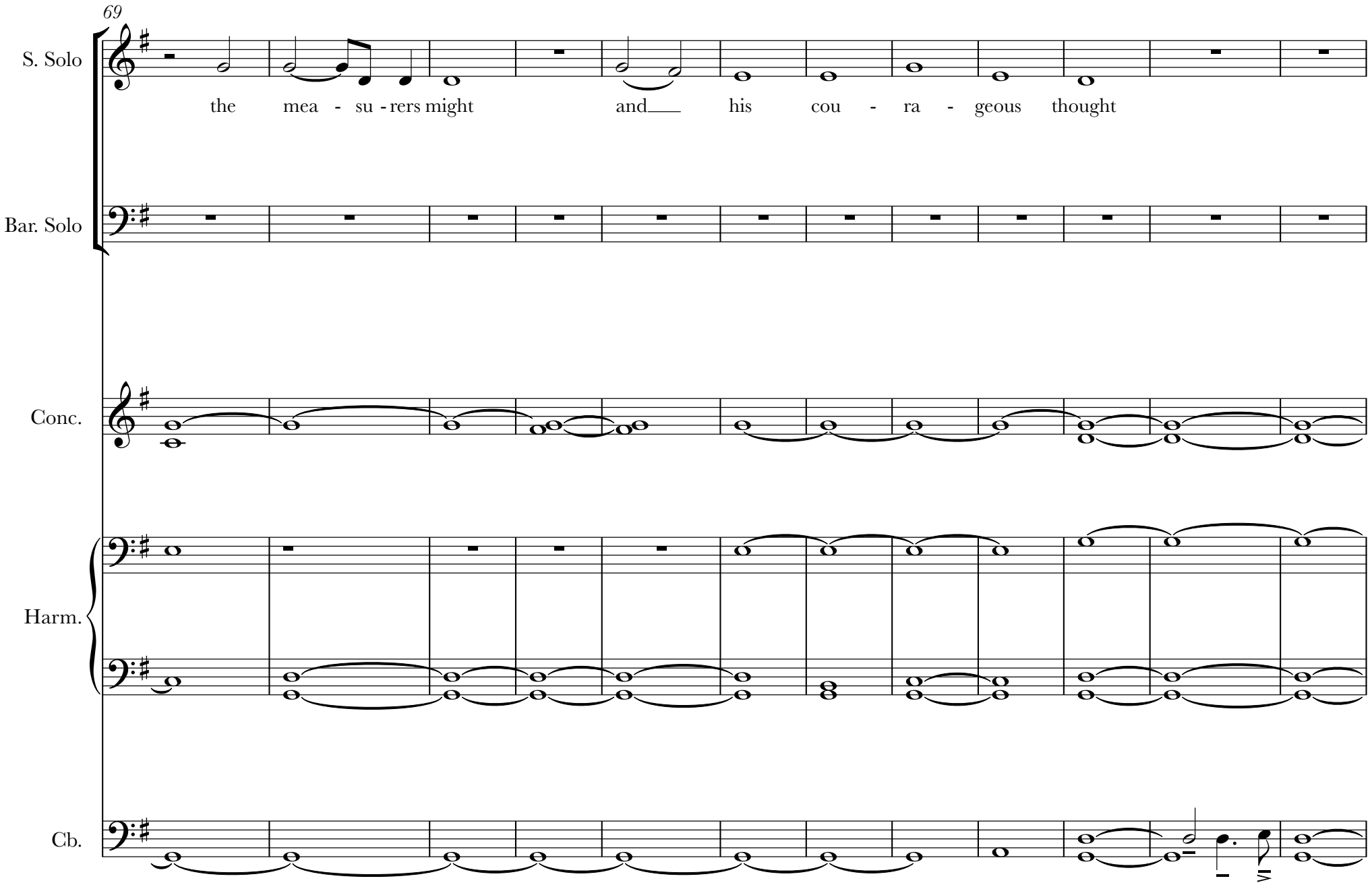
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Conc.
Harm.
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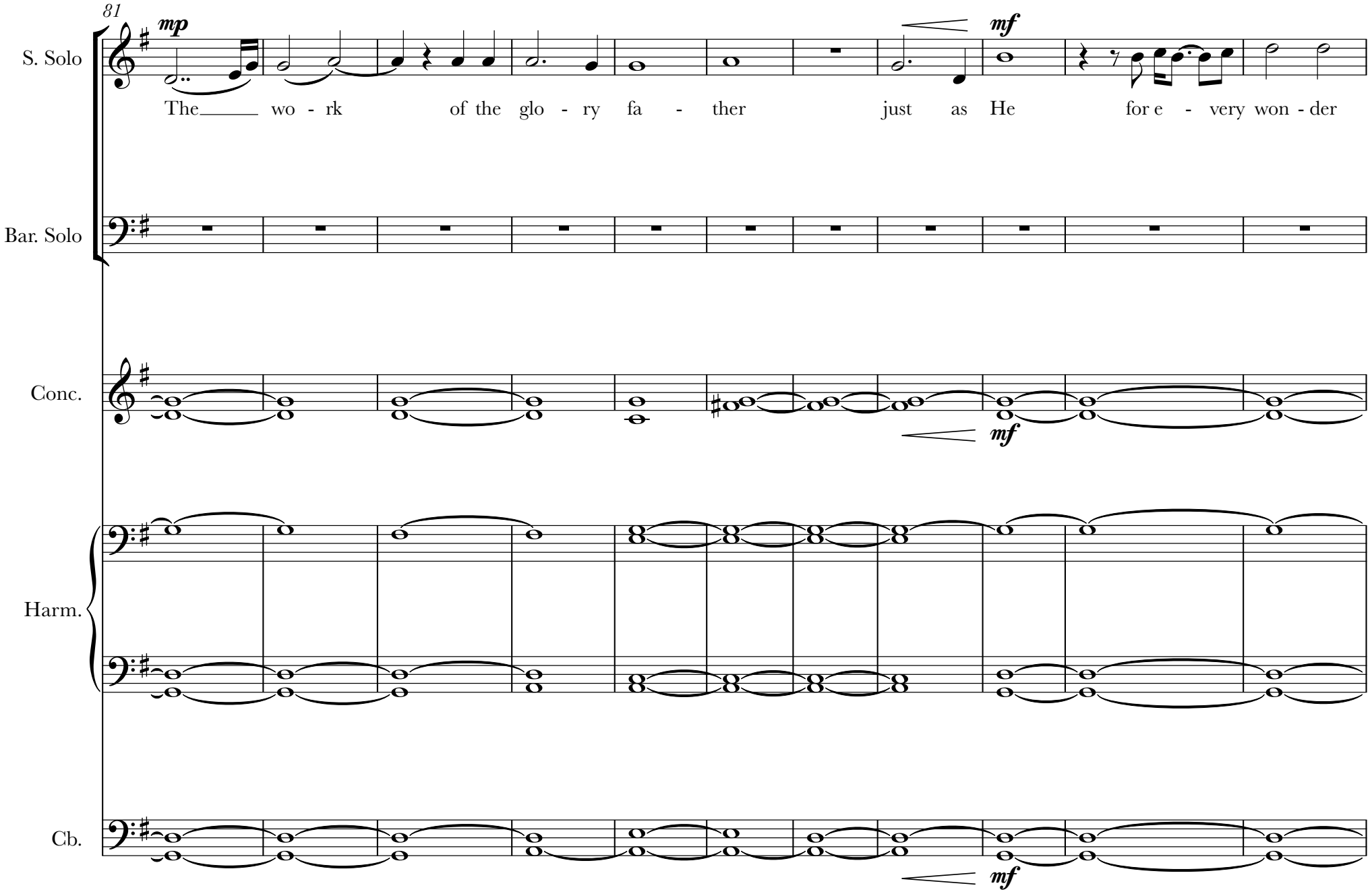
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mp
mf
S. Solo
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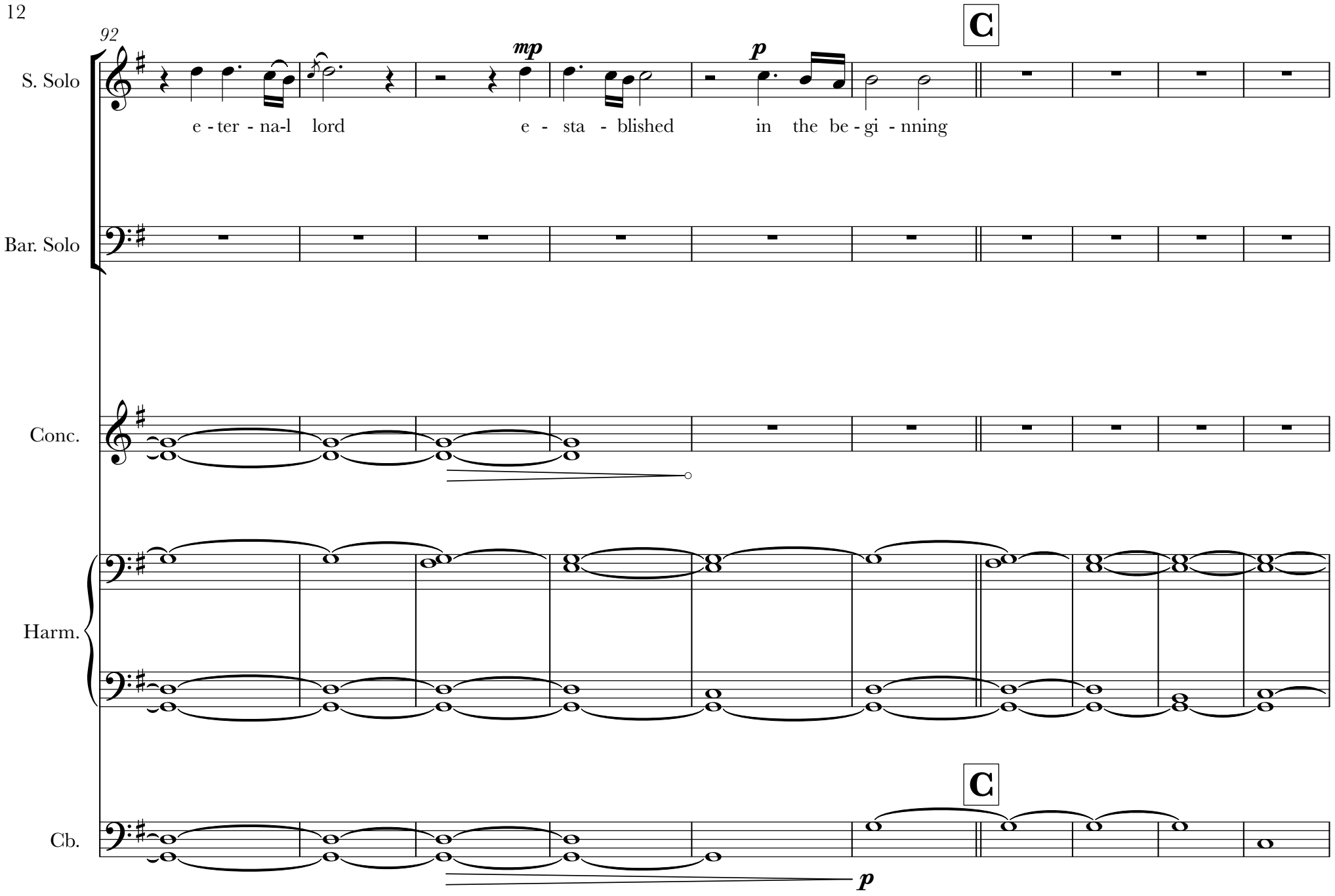
Bar. Solo
Conc.
mf
Harm.
Cb.
mf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S. Solo
Bar. Solo
Conc.
Harm.
Cb.
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C
e - ter - na-l lord
e - sta - blished
in the be - gi - nning
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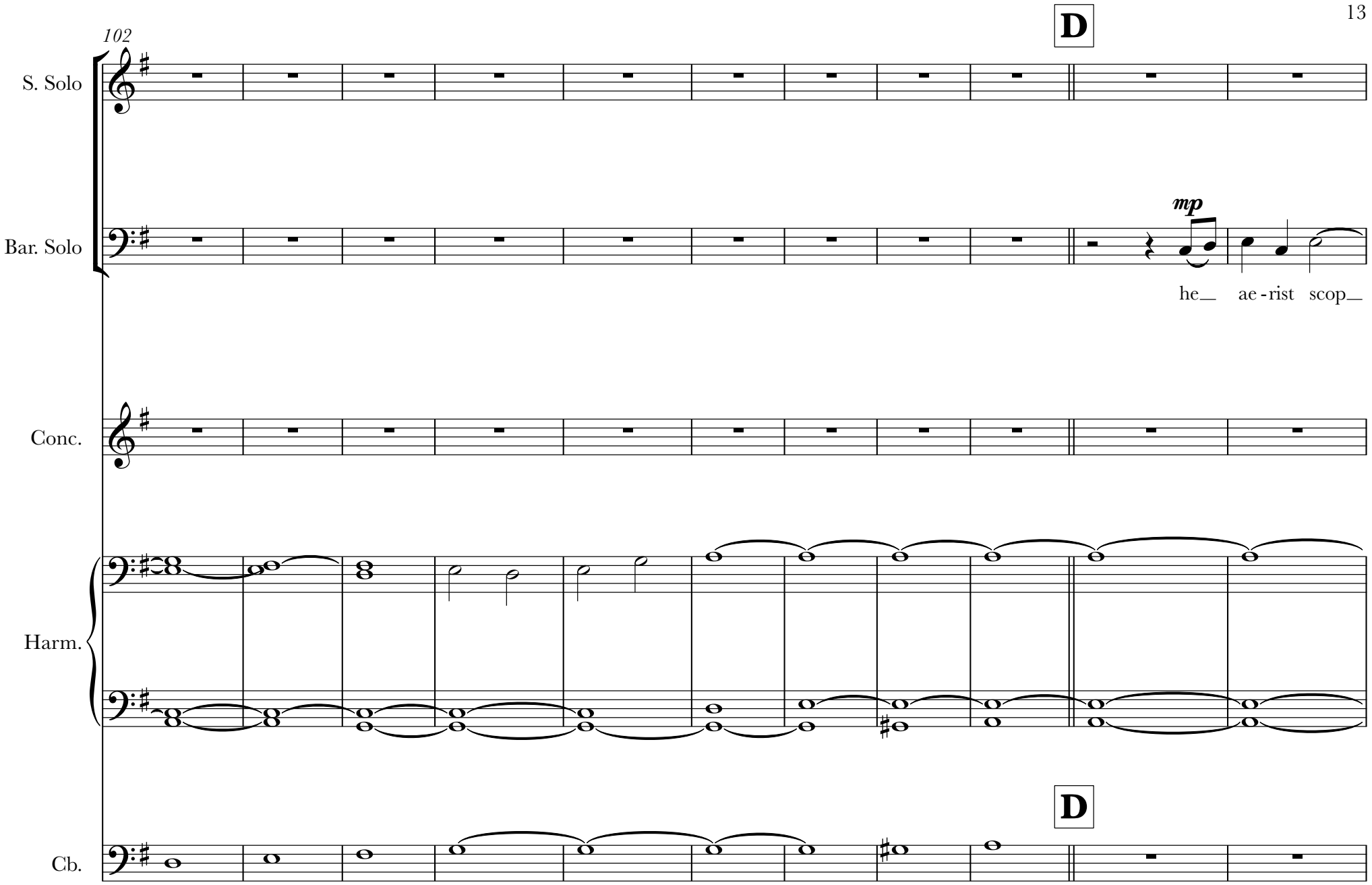
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S. Solo
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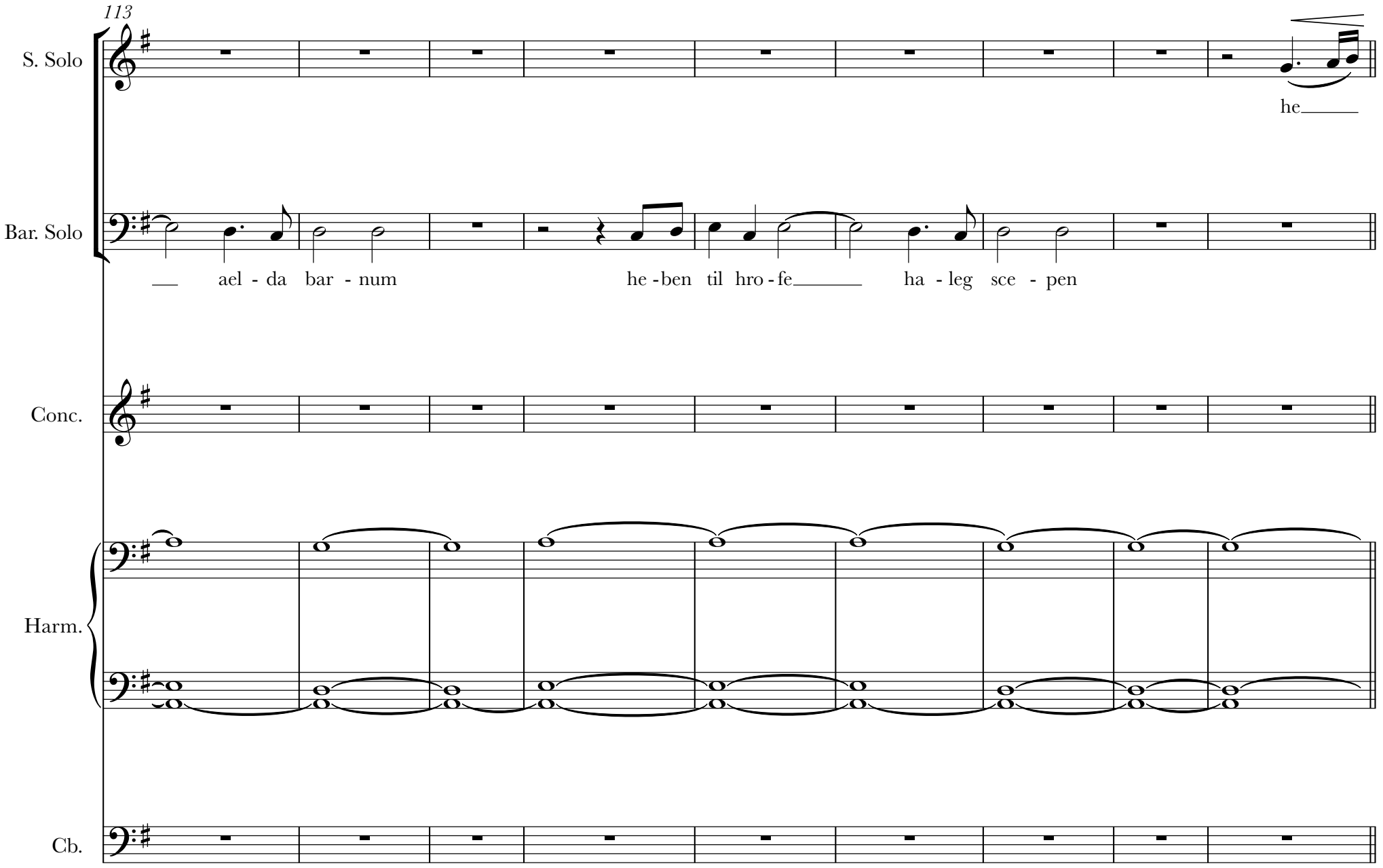
Conc.
Harm.
D
Cb.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Bar. Solo
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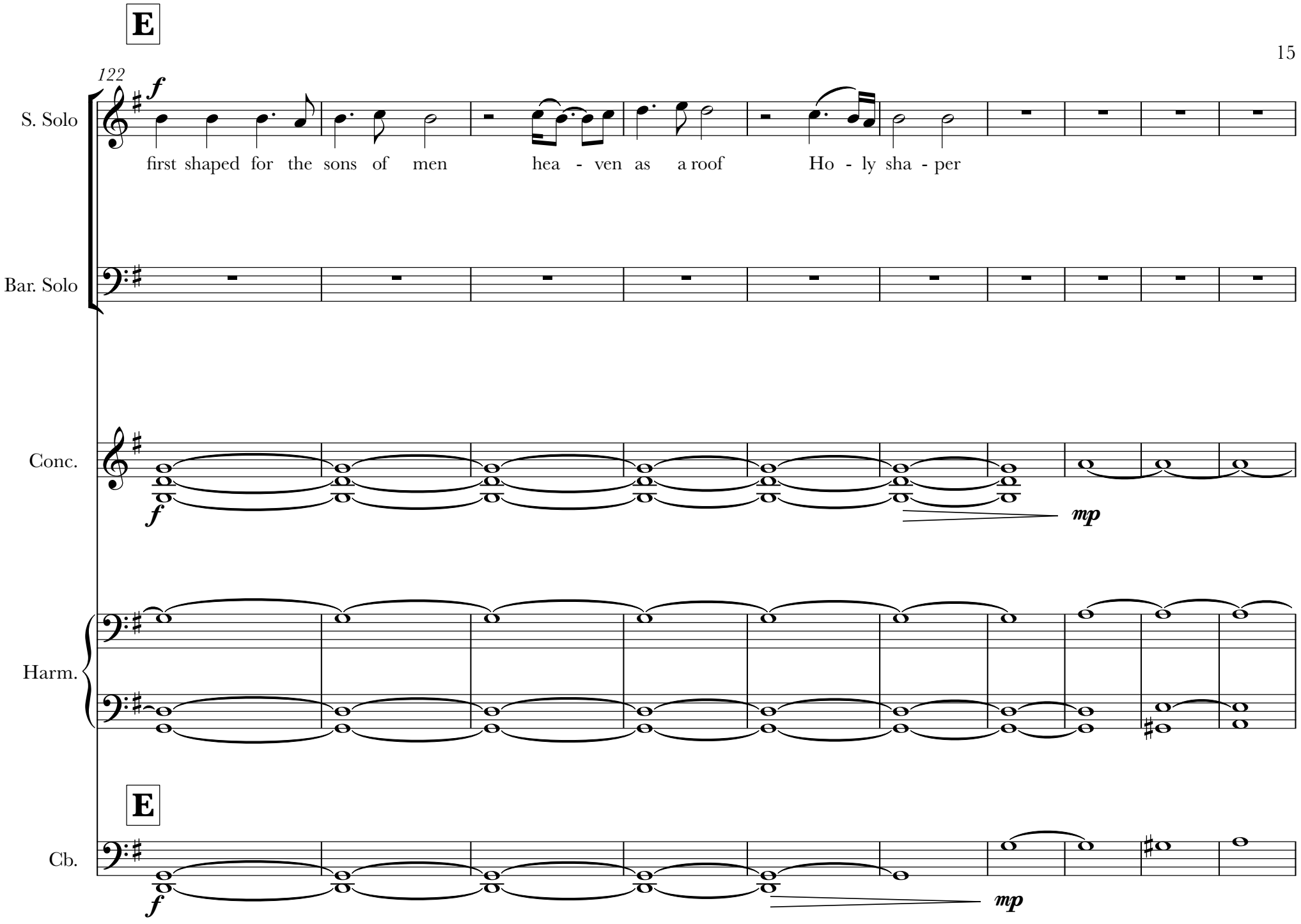
he - ben til hro - fe
ha - leg sce - pen
Conc.
Harm.
Cb.


E
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f
S. Solo
first shaped for the sons of men
hea - ven as a roof
Ho - ly sha - per
Bar. Solo
Conc.
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Harm.
E
Cb.
f
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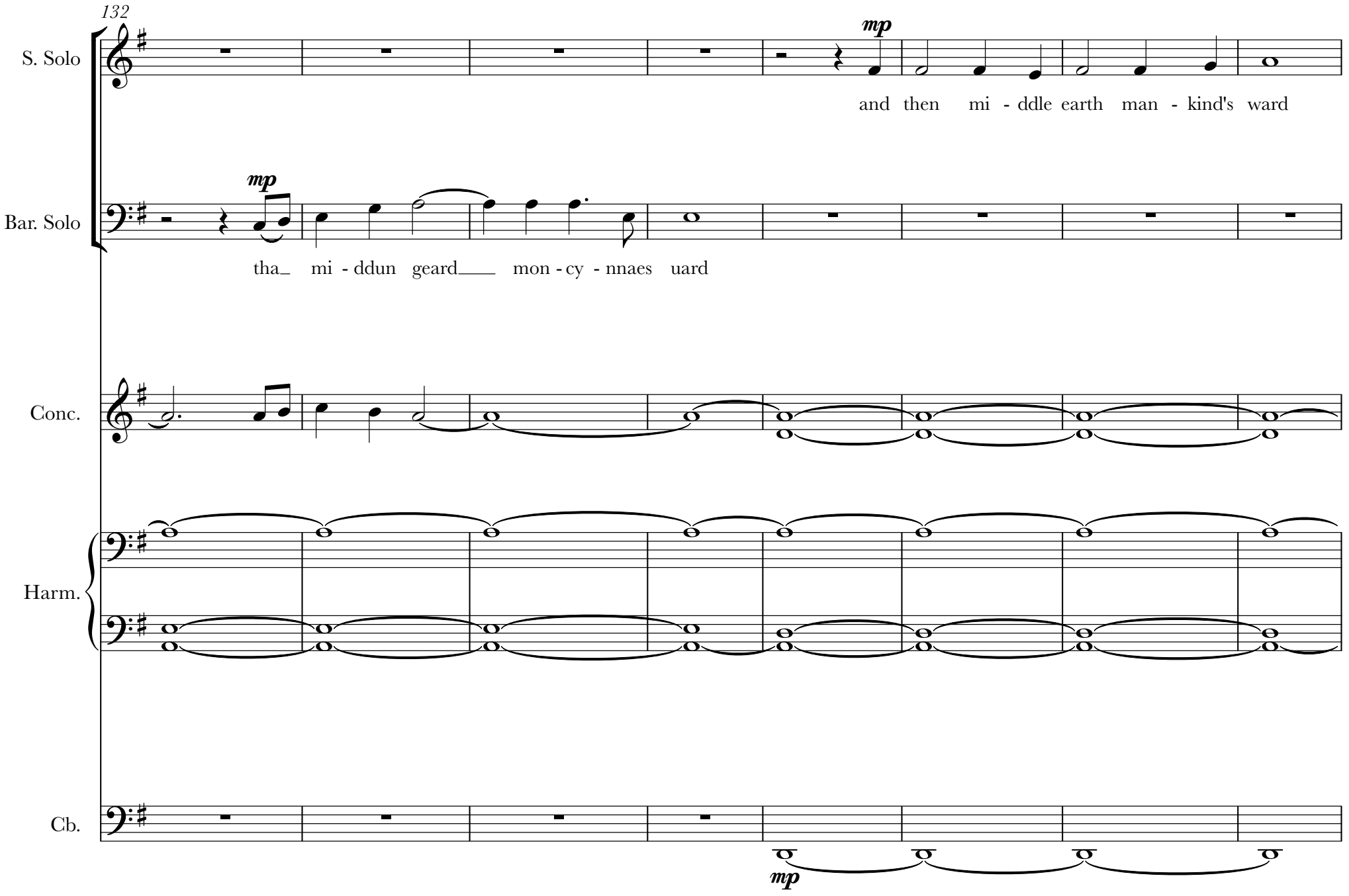
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S. Solo
mp
and then mi - ddle earth man - kind's ward
Bar. Solo
mp
tha_ mi - ddun geard___ mon - cy - nnaes uard
Conc.
Harm.
Cb.
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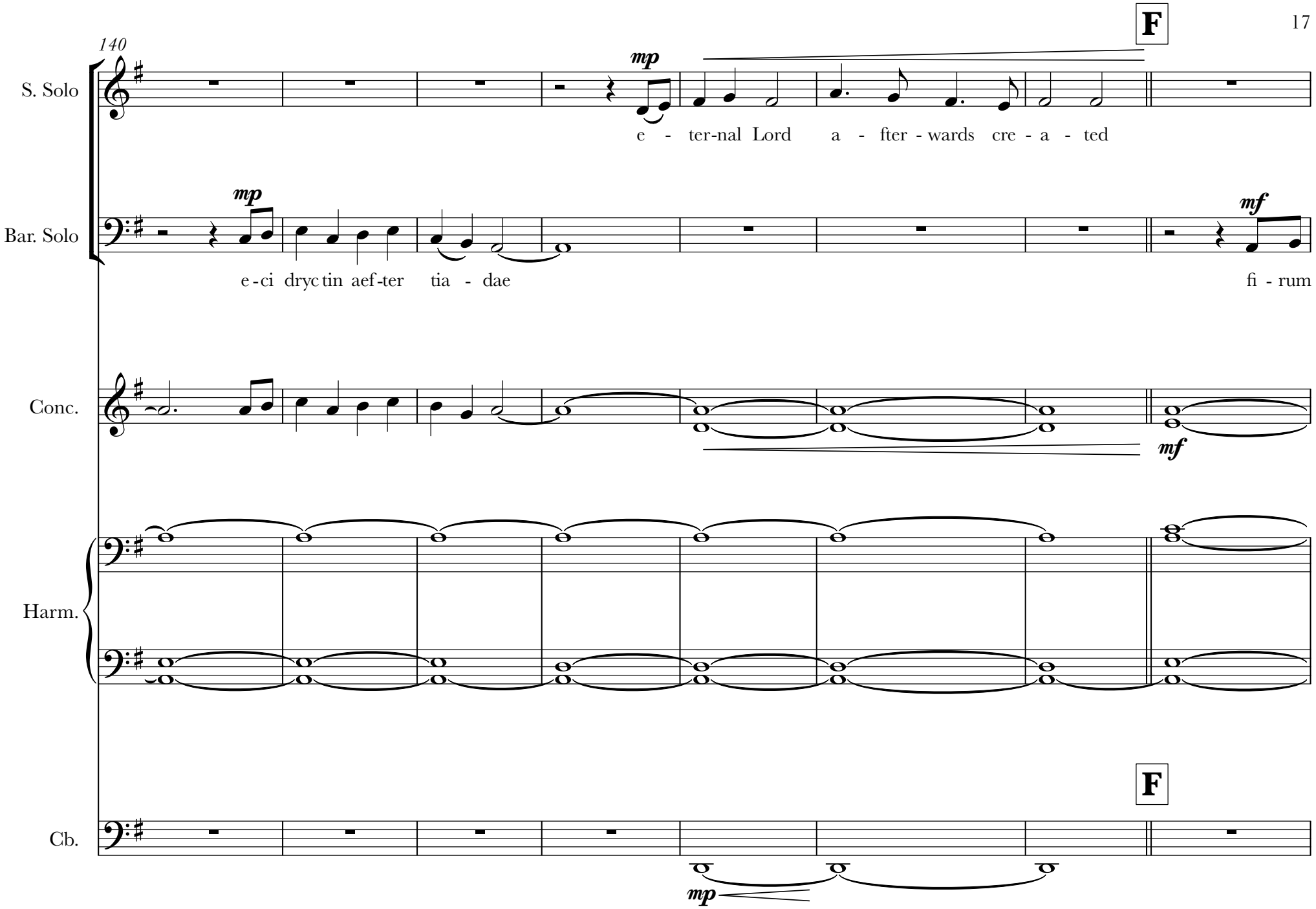
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F
S. Solo
mp
e - ter-nal Lord a - fter - wards cre - a - ted
Bar. Solo
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mf
e - ci dryc tin aef-ter tia - dae
fi - rum
Conc.
mf
Harm.
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Cb.
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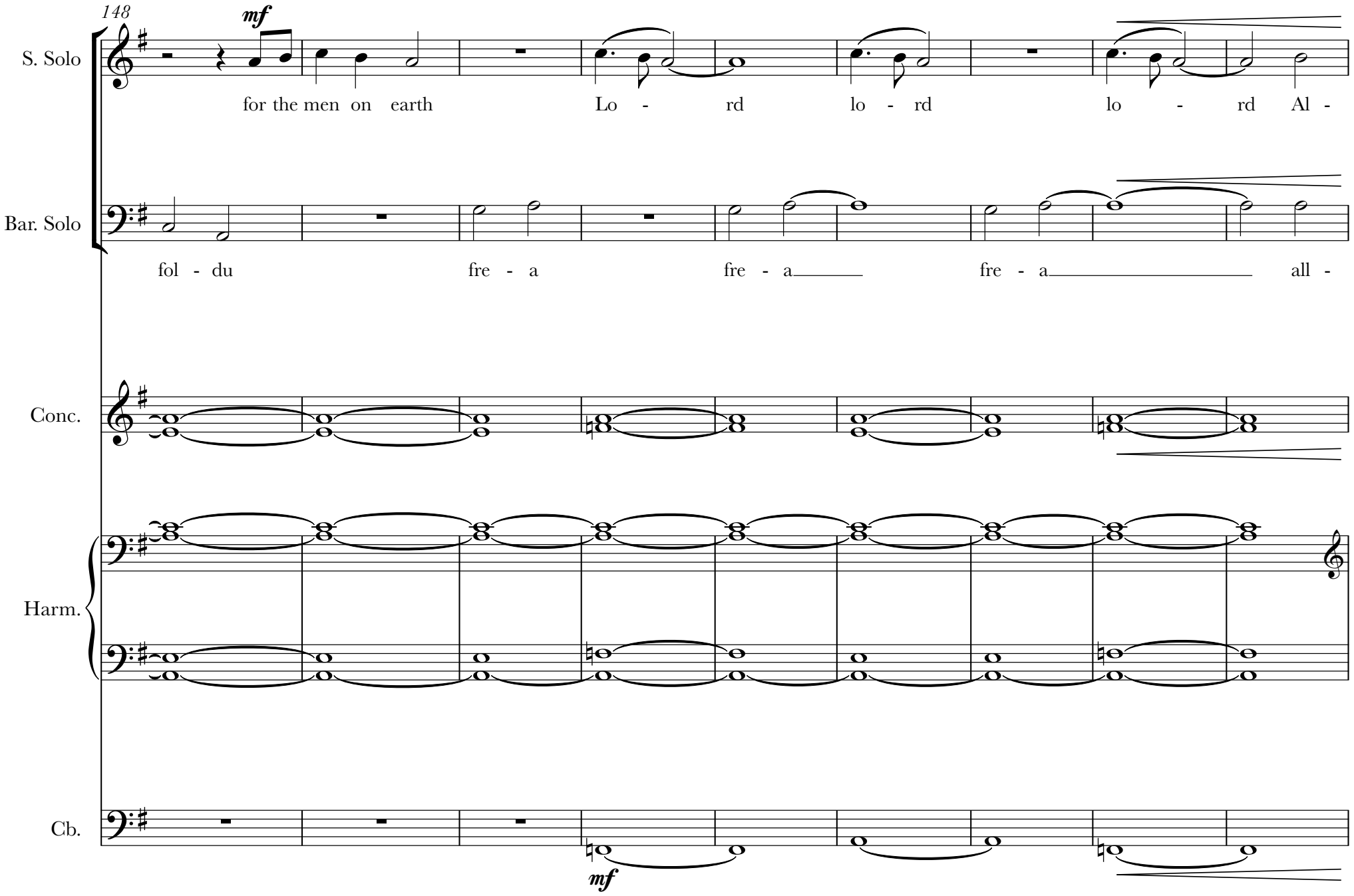
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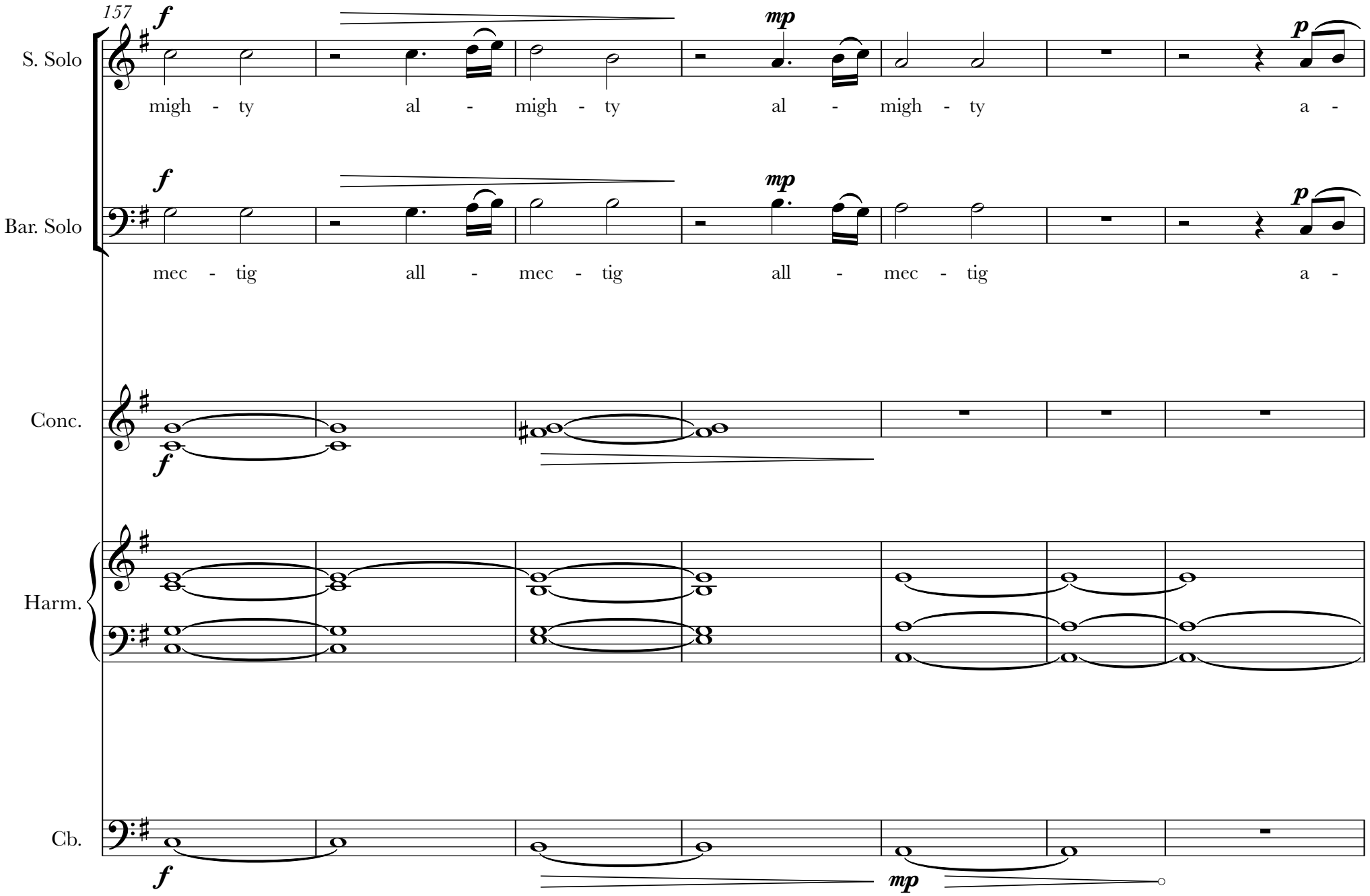
mf
S. Solo
for the men on earth
Lo - rd
lo - rd
lo - rd
Al -
Bar. Solo
fol - du
fre - a
fre - a
fre - a
all -
Conc.
Harm.
Cb.
mf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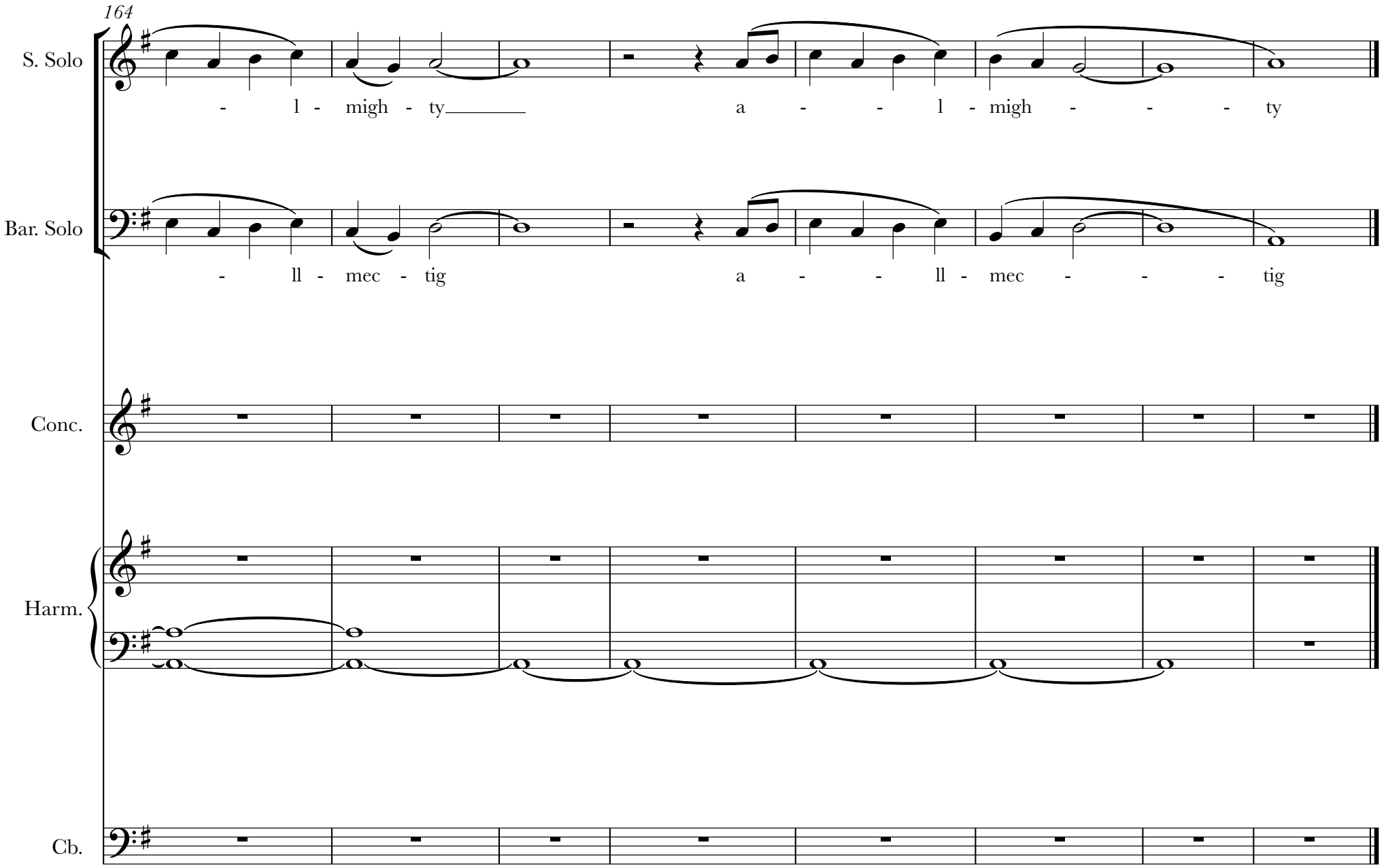
S. Solo
Bar. Solo
Conc.
Harm.
Cb.
mighty al - mighty al - mighty a -
mec - tig all - mec - tig all - mec - tig a -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S. Solo
- l - migh - ty a - - l - migh - - - ty
Bar. Solo
- ll - mec - tig a - - ll - mec - - - tig
Conc.
Harm.
Cb.