

We Hold These Truths

Duet with SATB choir

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Stately, with firm conviction ♩ = 86

Piano accompaniment for measures 1-3. The music is in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The right hand features a melody starting on a dotted half note, followed by eighth notes. The left hand provides a steady bass line with quarter notes and half notes. The dynamic marking is *mp*.

Piano accompaniment for measures 4-6. The right hand continues the melodic line with some chords and eighth notes. The left hand maintains the bass line. The dynamic marking changes to *mf* in measure 5.

Piano accompaniment for measures 7-9. The right hand has some rests and chords. The left hand continues the bass line. The dynamic marking is *mf*.

Soprano vocal line for measures 11-13. The notes are whole rests, indicating the soprano part is silent during this passage.

"We hold these truths," our foun-ders said, and thus our new - born

Tenor vocal line for measures 11-13. The tenor part begins in measure 11 with a melody of quarter and eighth notes. The dynamic marking is *mp*.

Piano accompaniment for measures 11-13. The right hand has a sustained chord in measure 11 and then continues the melodic line. The left hand continues the bass line. The dynamic marking is *mp*.

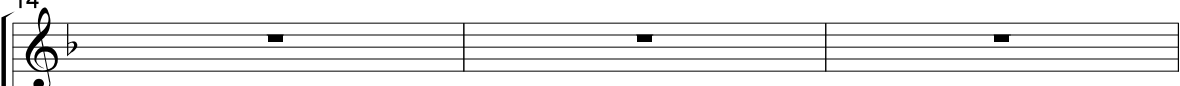
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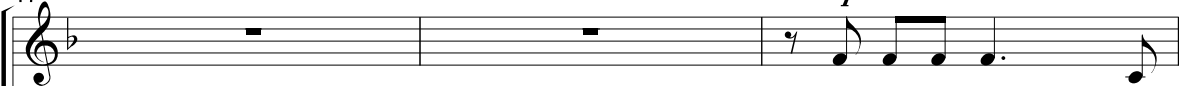
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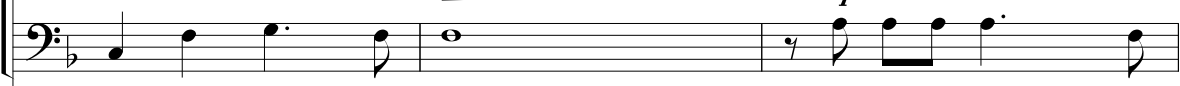
Ten. 

na-tion bled. We hold, in spite of rank or name, that all of



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Sop. 

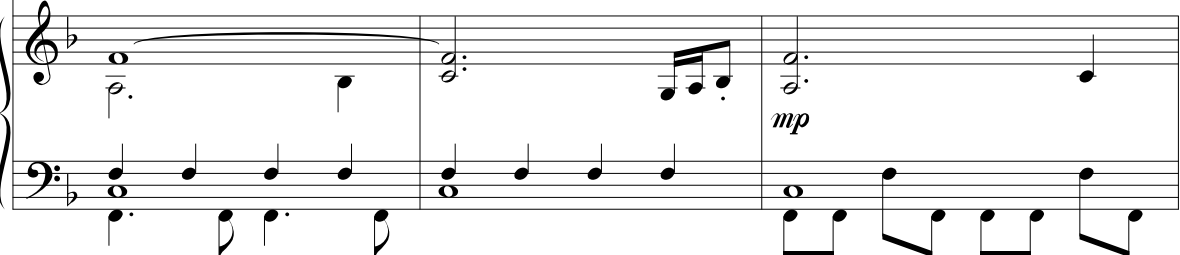
Ten. 

us are made the same, cre - a - ted by our

mp

mp

mp



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Sop. 

Ten. 

Mak - er's hand then plan - ted in this fer - tile land; we hold these



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Sop. truths as firm - ly now and still will not to ty - rants

Ten.

26

Sop. bow. We will hold on to pre - cious lib - er-ty;

Ten. We will hold on to pre - cious lib - er-ty;

f

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Sop. we will hang on to hard - won vic - to-ry; A-mer-i-ca, from

Ten. we will hang on to hard - won vic - to-ry; A-mer-i-ca, from

32

Sop.

Ten.

sea to shin - ing sea!

32

35

Sop.

Ten.

f

We will hold on to hu - man dig - ni - ty; we will go on 'til

35

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Sop.

Ten.

all the world is free; A - mer - i - ca, God shed His grace on thee!_

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Sop.

Ten. "We hold these truths," with *mp*

S.A. *p*
A - mer - i -

T.B. *p*

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Sop.

Ten. un-clean hands, yet hope they thrive in oth-er lands; so as our *mf*

S.A. ca, A - mer - i - ca.

T.B.

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