

Lift Ev'ry Voice And Sing

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Maestoso ben sostenuto

The piano introduction consists of two staves. The right hand features a series of chords and moving lines, while the left hand provides a steady bass accompaniment. Dynamic markings include *ff* (fortissimo) and *ffz* (fortissimo crescendo).

The first vocal entry is on a single staff, with the lyrics: "Lift ev - 'ry voice and / Ston - y the road we / God of our wea - ry". The piano accompaniment continues below, with a *mp* (mezzo-piano) marking.

The second vocal entry is on a single staff, with the lyrics: "sing, Till earth and heav - en ring, Ring with the har - mo - nies of / trod, Bit - ter the chast - 'ning rod, Felt in the days when hope un - / years, God of our si - lent tears, Thou who hast brought us thus far". The piano accompaniment continues below.