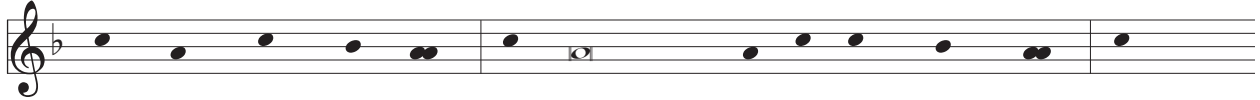


The Nativity of Our Lord

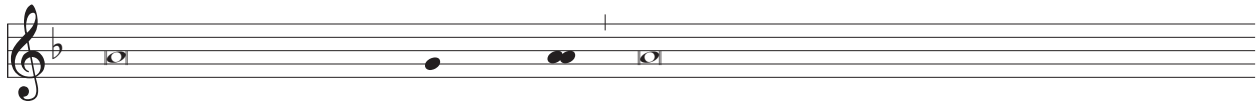
St. John 1:1-14



In the beginning was the Word. And the Word was with God.



And the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All



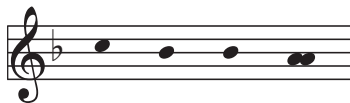
things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made



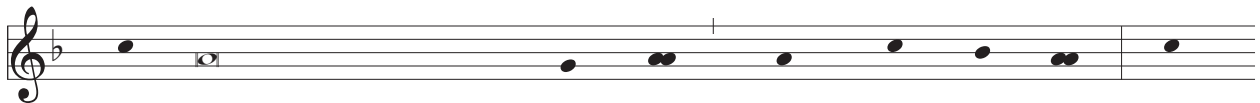
that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.



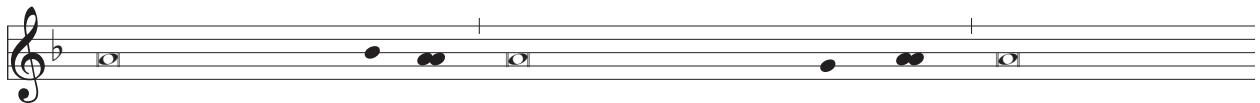
And the Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not



comprehend it.



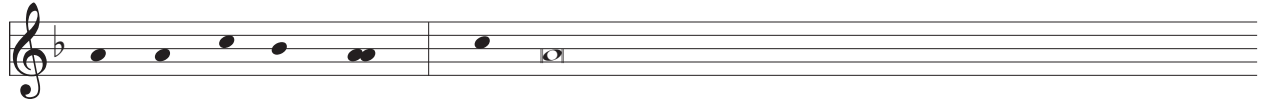
There was a man sent forth from God, whose name was John. This



man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through



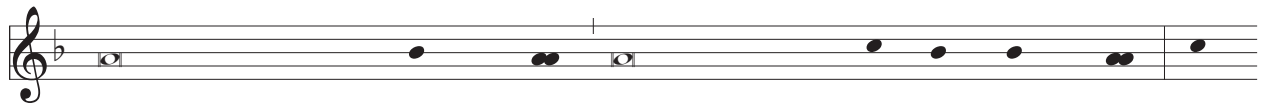
him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear



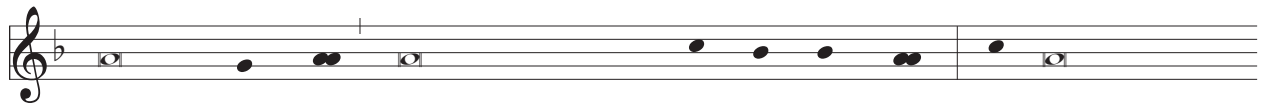
witness of that Light. That was the true Light which gives light to



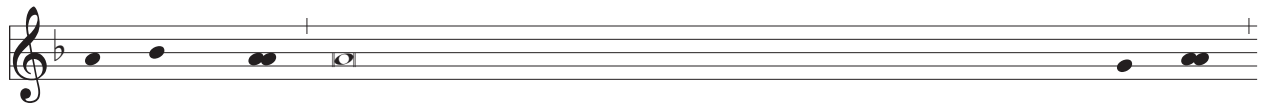
every man coming into the world. He was in the world, and the



world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. He



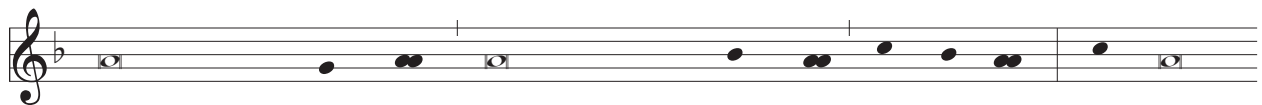
came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. But as many as



received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God,



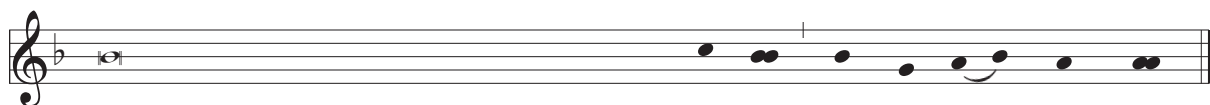
to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor



of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the



Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the



glory as of the only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.