

# Bless Thou The Gifts

Offering Anthem

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The musical score is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It consists of two systems of staves.

**System 1:**

- Organ:** A grand staff with a treble clef and a bass clef. The treble staff contains a melodic line for the 8' Trumpet, starting with a quarter rest followed by quarter notes G4, A4, B4, and A4. The bass staff contains a bass line for the 8' flutes&strings, starting with a quarter rest followed by quarter notes G3, F3, E3, and D3. The dynamic marking *mf* is placed between the two staves.
- 8' flutes&strings:** A separate bass staff below the organ staff, containing a melodic line starting with a quarter rest followed by quarter notes G3, F3, E3, and D3. The dynamic marking *mf* is placed below this staff.

**System 2:**

- S/A (Soprano/Alto):** A treble staff starting with a 4-measure rest, followed by quarter notes G4, A4, and B4. The dynamic marking *mf* is placed above the staff.
- T/B (Tenor/Bass):** A bass staff starting with a 4-measure rest, followed by quarter notes G3, F3, and E3. The lyrics "Bless thou the" are written below the staff, with *mf* placed above the first note.
- Org. (Organ):** A grand staff. The treble staff contains a melodic line starting with a 4-measure rest, followed by quarter notes G4, A4, and B4. The bass staff contains a bass line starting with a 4-measure rest, followed by quarter notes G3, F3, and E3. The dynamic marking *flutes&strings* is placed between the two staves.
- Bottom Bass Staff:** A separate bass staff containing a melodic line starting with a 4-measure rest, followed by quarter notes G3, F3, and E3.

# Bless Thou The Gifts

2  
7

S/A

T/B

Org.

gifts our hands hath bought, Bless

10

S/A

T/B

Org.

thou the work our hearts hath

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13

S/A

T/B

planned. Ours is the faith, the will, the thought, the rest, O God, is

Org.

20

S/A

T/B

in thy hand.

Org.

+ 4' octave, diap., Mixt.

*f*

3 3

*f*

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4  
26

S/A

T/B

Org.

*mf* *mp* *p*

8' flutes w/ expression

*mf* *mp* *p*

With minds a - lert, up -

33

S/A

T/B

Org.

*mp* *mp*

held by grace to spread the word in speech — and deed, we

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39

S/A

T/B

Org.

fol - low in the steps\_ of Christ, at one\_ with all\_ in hope and

46

S/A

T/B

Org.

need.

rit.

*f*

*f* Al -

+ 4' octave, diap., etc.

*mf*

*f*

+ *mixt., trumpet, etc.*

*mf*

*f*

+ *bassoon*

Grandioso ♩=96

Bless Thou The Gifts

6 Al - mighty - Fa - ther, the gift to  
 51 might - y Fa - ther, who dost give the gift of life to

51

57 all who live, a tempo look down on Earth's sin and strife, lift us  
 all who live, look down on all Earth's sin and strife, and lift us

57

Bless Thou The Gifts

64

S/A

T/B

Org.

64

to a nob - ler life

to a nob - ler life! A - men!

The musical score consists of four staves. The top two staves are for vocal parts: Soprano/Alto (S/A) and Tenor/Bass (T/B). The third staff is for the Organ, and the fourth is a separate bass line. The score begins at measure 64. The lyrics are: 'to a nob - ler life' for the S/A part and 'to a nob - ler life! A - men!' for the T/B part. The organ part features chords and melodic lines, and the bass line provides a steady accompaniment. The piece concludes with a double bar line.