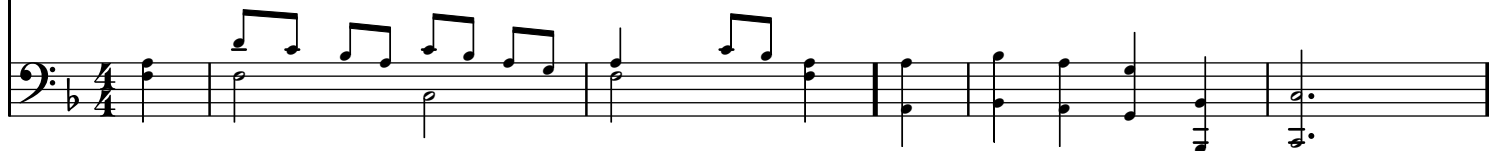
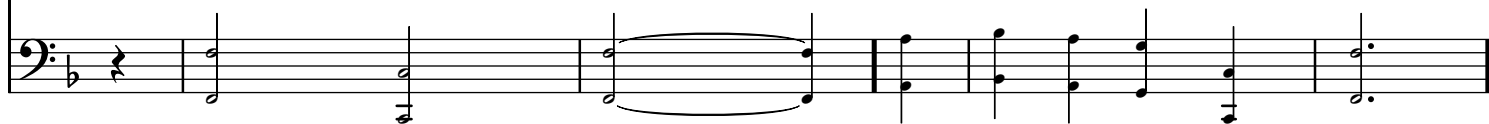


*Andante-legato.*

1. One Priest a - lone can par - don me, Or bid me, "Go in peace,"
2. He showed the spear mark in His side, The nail-print on His palm;
3. By Him my soul is pu - ri - fied, Once lep - rous and de - filed;
4. He robed me in a priest - ly dress, That I might in - cense bring



Can breathe that word, "Ab - sol - vo te," And make these heart-throbs cease;  
 Said, "Look on Me, the Cru - ci - fied; Why trem - ble thus? Be calm!  
 Cleansed by the wa - ter and the blood, God sees me as a child:  
 Of prayer, and praise, and right - eousness, To heaven's e - ter - nal King;



My soul has heard His priest - ly voice; It said, "I bore thy sins; re-joice!"  
 All pow'r is Mine— I set thee free— Be not a-fraid— Ab - sol - vo te."  
 No priest can heal or cleanse but He; No oth - er say, "Ab - sol - vo te."  
 And when He gave this robe to me, He smiled and said, "Ab - sol - vo te."



**5** In heaven He stands before the throne,  
The great High Priest above,  
“Melchisedec”—that One alone  
Can sin’s dark stain remove;  
To Him I look on bended knee,  
And hear that sweet “Absolvo te.”

**6** “A little while” and He shall come  
Forth from the inner shrine,  
To call His pardoned brethren home;  
Oh bliss supreme, divine!  
When every blood-bought child shall see  
The Priest who said, “Absolvo te.”