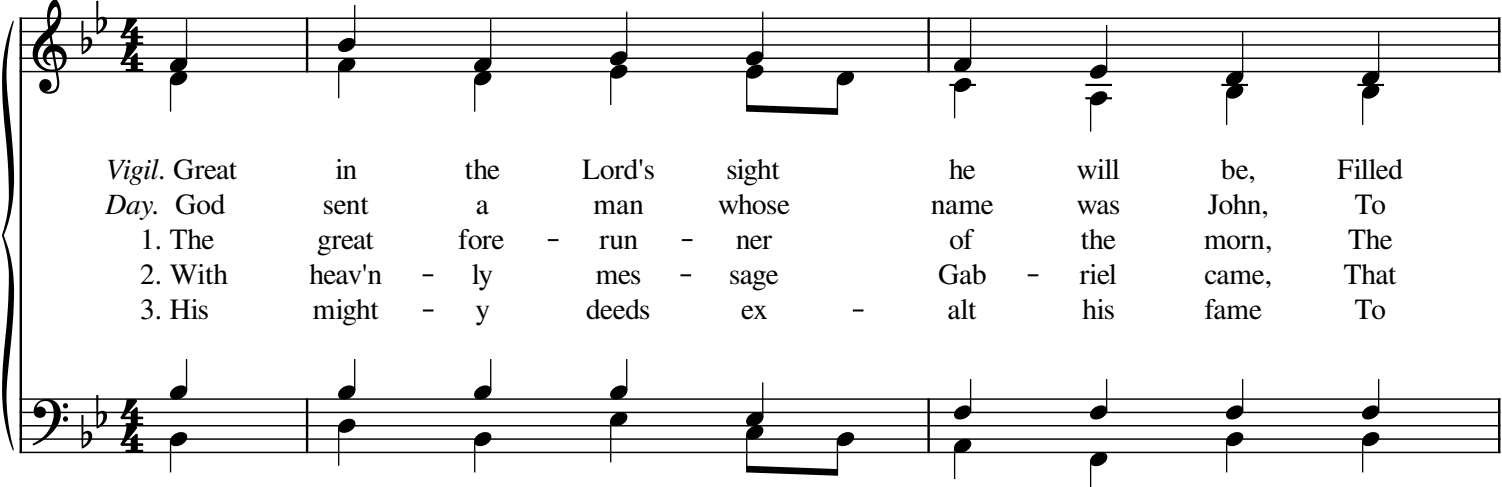
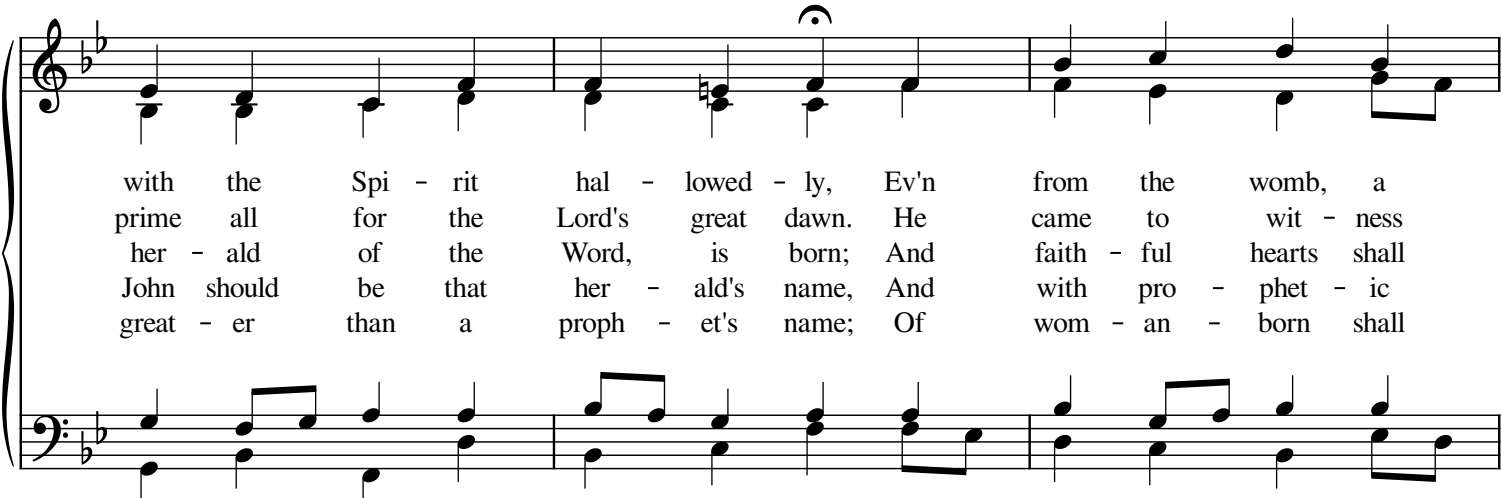


The Great Forerunner of the Morn

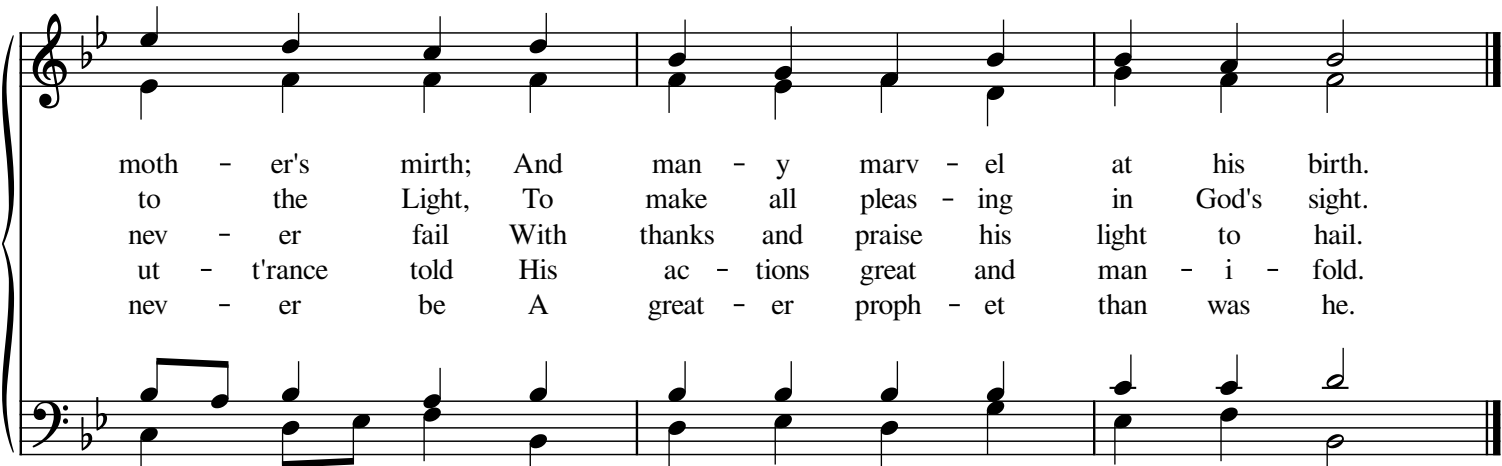
With the Introits for the Nativity of John the Baptist, June 24, Vigil and Day



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The first staff of music is in treble clef, key of B-flat major (two flats), and 4/4 time. It contains the following notes: a quarter note B-flat, a quarter note C, a quarter note D, a quarter note E, a quarter note F, a quarter note G, a quarter note A, and a quarter note B-flat.

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