

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

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Molto rubato (♩ = ca. 60)

Piano

mp *mf*

The piano introduction is in 4/4 time with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). It begins with a treble clef and a bass clef. The melody in the treble clef starts with a quarter note G4, followed by eighth notes A4-B4, a quarter rest, eighth notes C5-B4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note G4. The bass clef accompaniment consists of a steady eighth-note pattern: G3, A3, B3, C4, D4, E4, F#4, G4. The first measure is marked *mp* and the second measure is marked *mf*.

4 *mf*

1. What a friend we have in Je - sus,

4 *mp* *mf*

The first system of the vocal and piano accompaniment. The vocal line (treble clef) begins at measure 4 with a whole note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, C5, and a quarter note G4. The piano accompaniment (grand staff) continues from the introduction. The treble clef part has a melody of quarter notes G4, A4, B4, C5, and a quarter note G4. The bass clef part continues with the eighth-note accompaniment. The first measure of the vocal line is marked *mf*. The piano accompaniment has a *mp* dynamic in the first measure and *mf* in the second measure.

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all our sins and griefs to bear; What a pri - vi - lege to

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The second system of the vocal and piano accompaniment. The vocal line (treble clef) begins at measure 7 with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, C5, and a quarter note G4. The piano accompaniment (grand staff) continues. The treble clef part has a melody of quarter notes G4, A4, B4, C5, and a quarter note G4. The bass clef part continues with the eighth-note accompaniment. The first measure of the vocal line is marked with a *mf* dynamic. The piano accompaniment has a *mp* dynamic in the first measure and *mf* in the second measure.

10

car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer.

mp

13

mf

O, what peace we of - ten for - feit, O what need - less pain we

mf

16

bear all be - cause we do not car - ry

19

ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer.

mp