HOSPODI POMILUI*

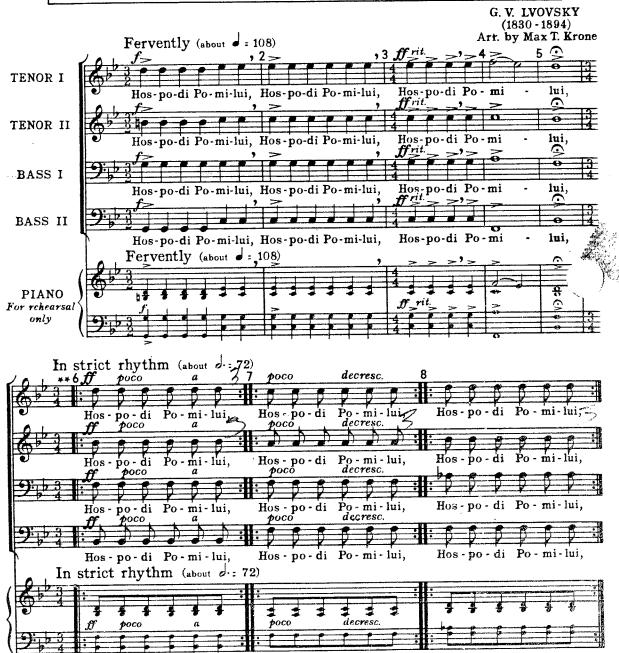
HAVE MERCY, O LORD

Chant

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Four Part Male Voices T.T.B.B.—A Cappella

The service of the Russian Church is chanted and sung. The simple phrase, Hospodi Pomilui, is sung frequently by the choir as a response, either in unison or in harmony during the service. Lvovsky has built a complete composition on this phrase, just as Mozart composed an entire song on the word, Alleluia. This is not a "stunt" song, but a cry to God for mercy and strength. It is sung at that point in the service at which the priest raises aloft the cross, lowers it slowly, and elevates it again, symbolizing the crucifixion, the descent into the grave and the triumphant resurrection.



*Pronounced Hos-po-dee Po-mi-loose

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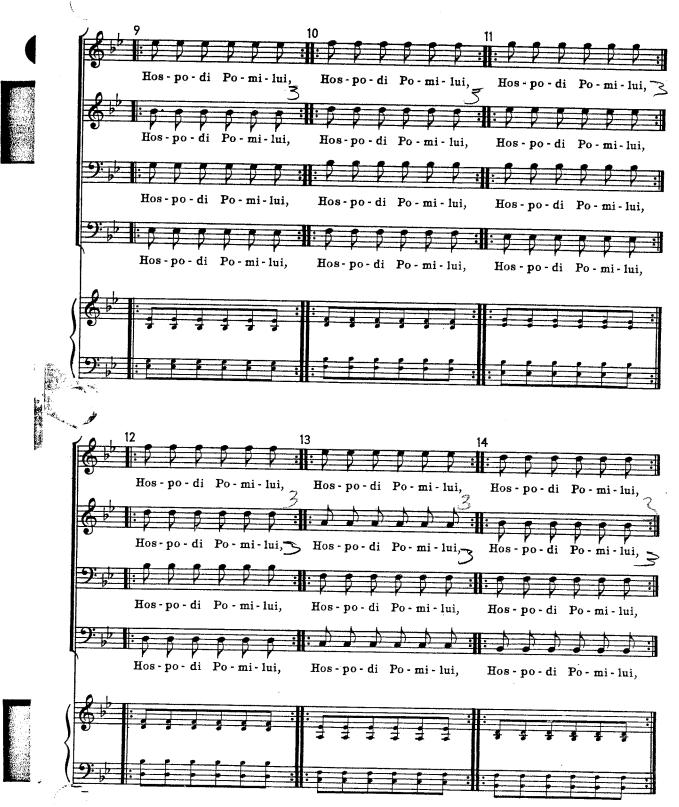
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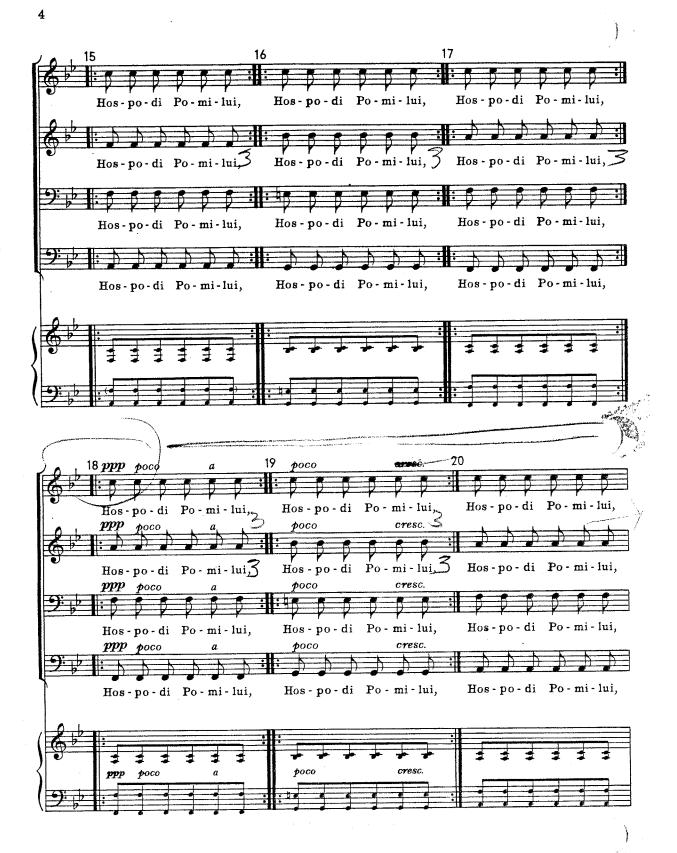
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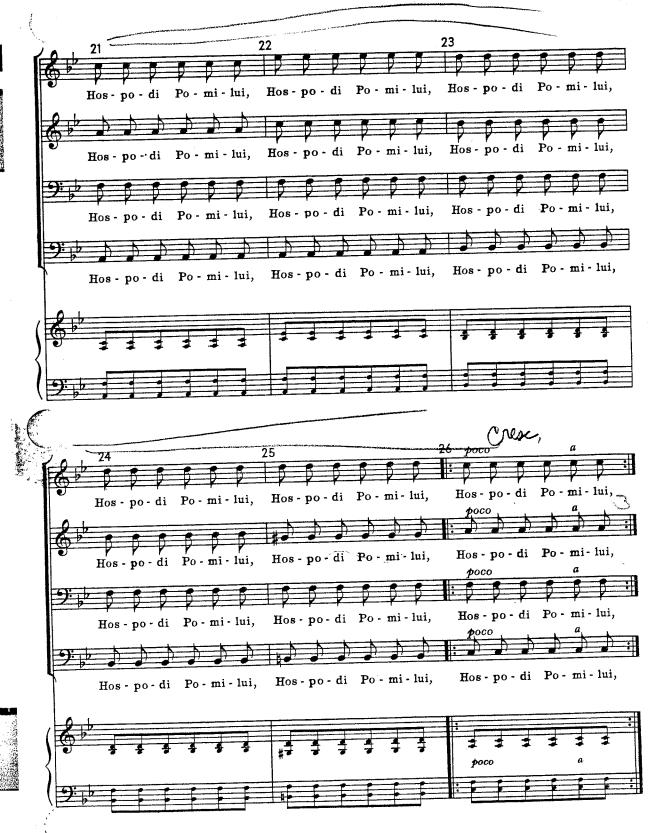
^{**} Repeat each of the measures marked with repeat marks three times. The decrescende and cresende must be very g and uniform.



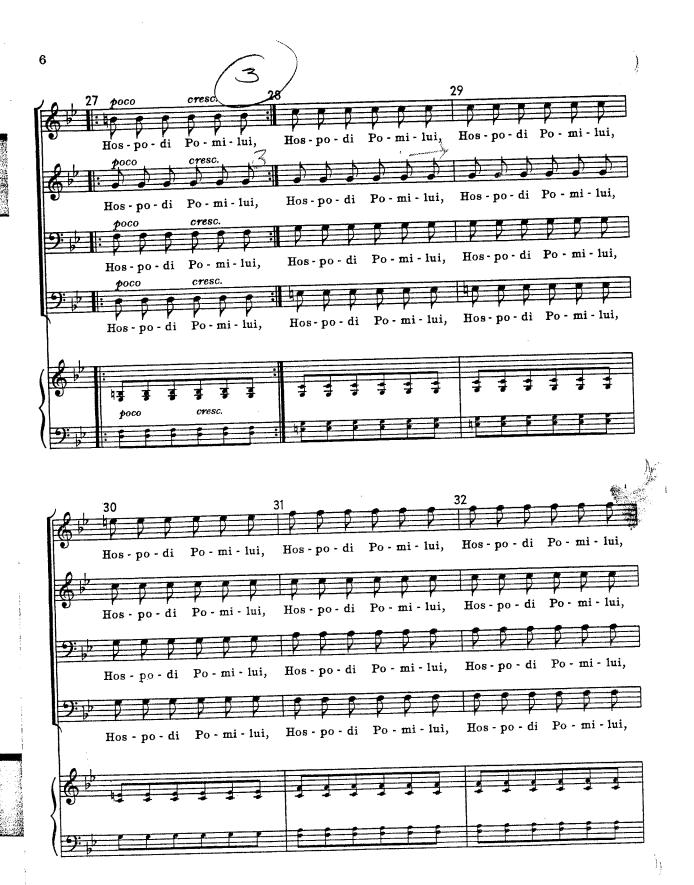
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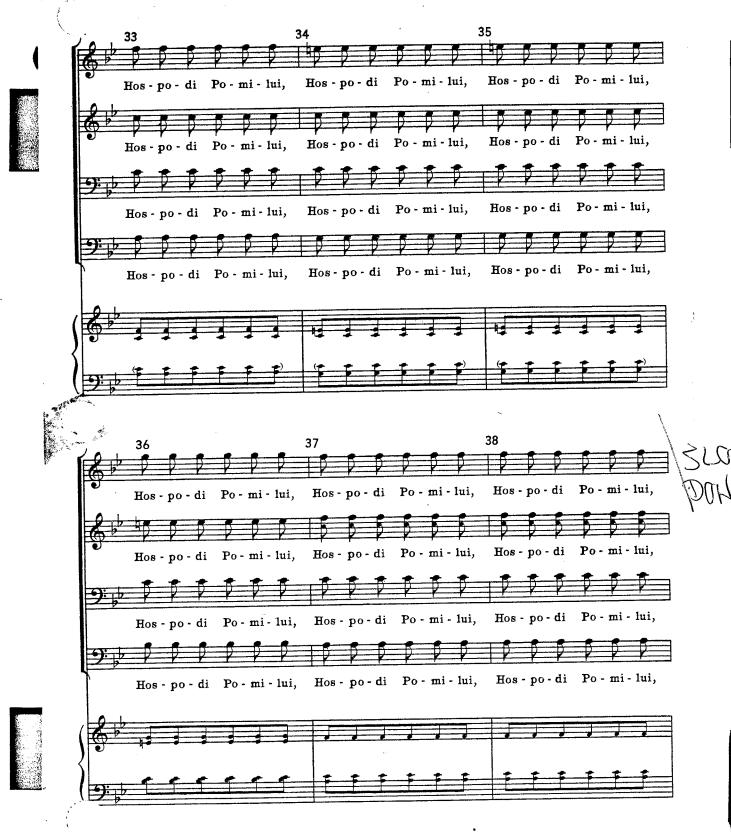






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