

Rise, my soul, and stretch thy wings

Or, Heaven Desired

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Soprano

Piano

f

6

S

f Rise, my soul, and stretch thy wings, Thy bet - ter por - tion

6

Pno.

12

S

trace; Rise from tran - si - to - ry things Toward heav'n, thy des - tined place.

12

Pno.

The musical score is written for Soprano and Piano. The key signature has one flat (Bb) and the time signature is 4/4. The piano part begins with a forte (f) dynamic. The score is divided into three systems. The first system shows the piano introduction. The second system begins with the soprano vocal entry at measure 6, with lyrics 'Rise, my soul, and stretch thy wings, Thy bet - ter por - tion'. The piano accompaniment continues. The third system begins at measure 12, with the soprano singing 'trace; Rise from tran - si - to - ry things Toward heav'n, thy des - tined place.' The piano part features a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes in the right hand and a steady bass line in the left hand.

S 17
Sun and moon and stars de - cay, Time shall soon this earth re - move; Rise, my soul, and

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S 22
haste a - way To seats pre - pared a - bove.

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S 28
legato
p Riv - ers to the o - cean run, Nor

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p *legato*

S 34
stay in all their course; Fire as - cend - ing seeks the sun, Both speed them to their source:

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S

So my soul, de - rived from God, Longs to — view his glo - rious face, For - ward tends to

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45

S

his a - bode To rest in — his em - brace.

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cresc.

51

S

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57

S

f Cease, my soul, then, cease to mourn; Press on - ward to the

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cresc. *ff*

62

S

prize. Soon the Sav-ior will re - turn, Tri - um-phunt in the skies! Yet a — sea - son,

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68

S

and we know Hap - py — en - trance will be — giv'n, All our sor - rows left be - low, And

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73

S

earth ex - chang'd for heav'n.

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79

S

accel.

Pno.