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THE HEARTH

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About the Work

Back in ancient times, the hearth was usually a warming spot (like a fireplace nowadays) where members of a house or township (or even passersby travelling through) would gather. Besides staying warm from the freezing weather, people would share stories about their travels and families to the delight and entertainment of their listeners. That idea of kinship and warmth is the basis for this musical work. This ballad features the melody interwoven among the persistent sixteenth notes traded between both hands, creating an airy harmonic atmosphere that mimics the heat of the fire.

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About the Arranger

Mr. Christopher Alexander is an award-winning composer and arranger from St. Joseph, Missouri. He received his Bachelor of Science in Vocal Music Education degree from Missouri Western State University in 2009. A self-taught pianist, his compositions and arrangements ranging from instrumental works to vocal solo and choral literature. Mr. Alexander has been commissioned numerous times by singing groups and church choirs within the northwest Missouri and northeast Kansas regions. He is also active in musical theatre productions as a music director and pianist. His works have been published with GIA Music Publications and Hal Leonard.

In 2016, he was awarded the St. Joseph Allied Arts Council Mayor's Award for Artist of the Year. In 2022, he was inducted into the New Generation Singers Hall of Fame.

Mr. Alexander currently serves as the pianist and primary arranger for The New Generation Singers, a Christian singing youth group based in St. Joseph, Missouri. He is a member of NAfME, ACDA, MCDA, and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Fraternity.

He is available for commissions and conducting events on request.

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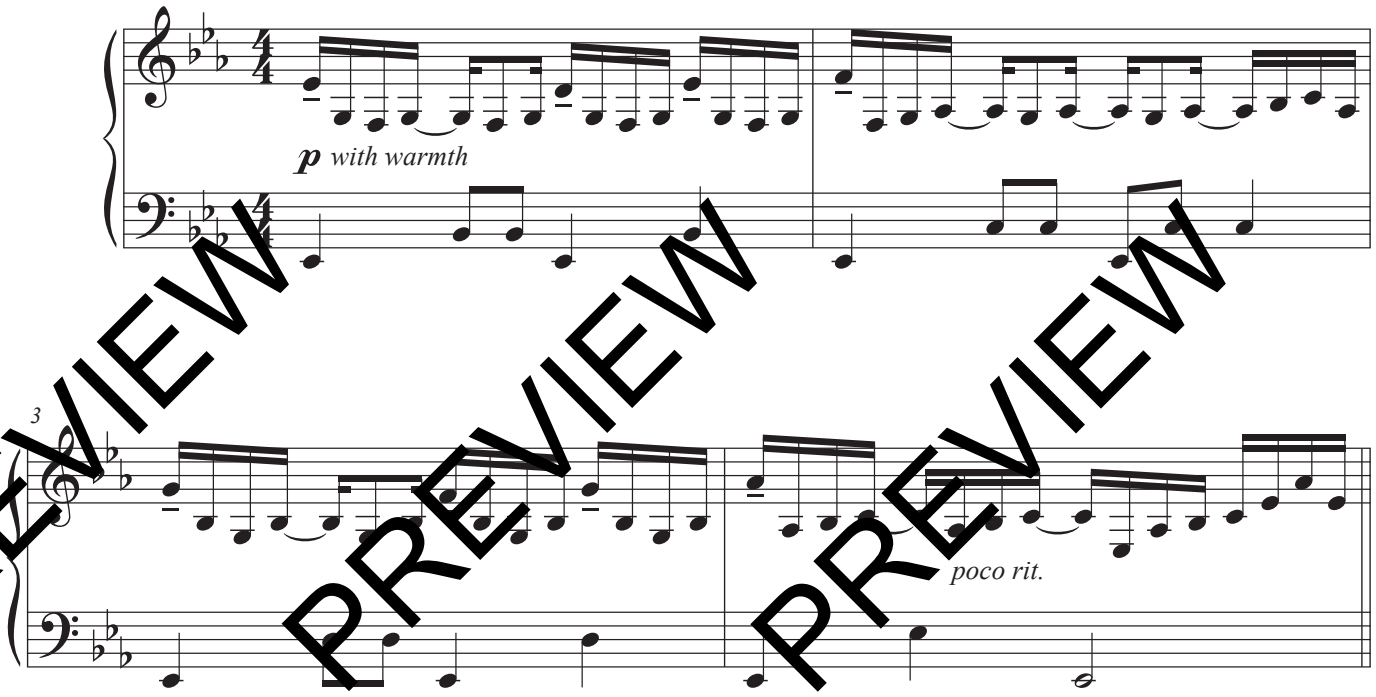
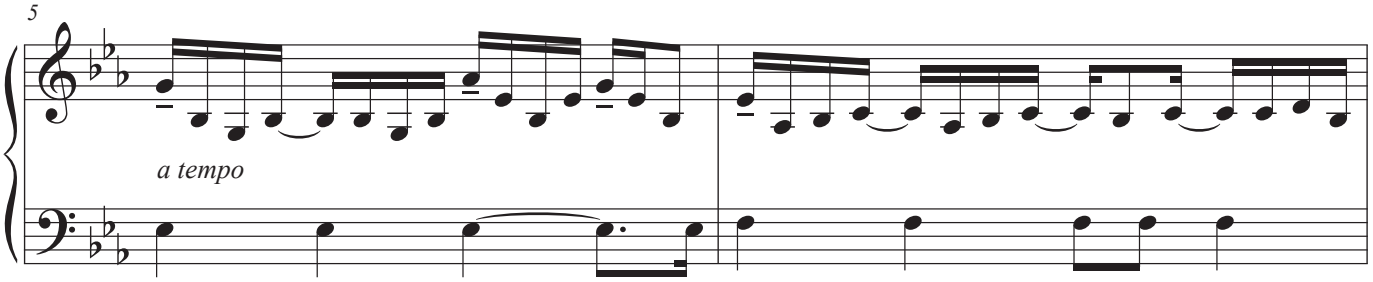
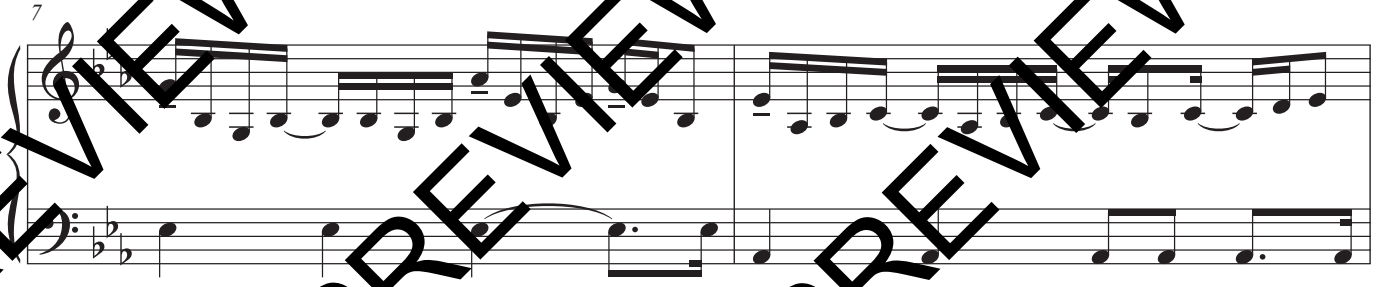
Adagietto poco moto (♩ = c. 68)







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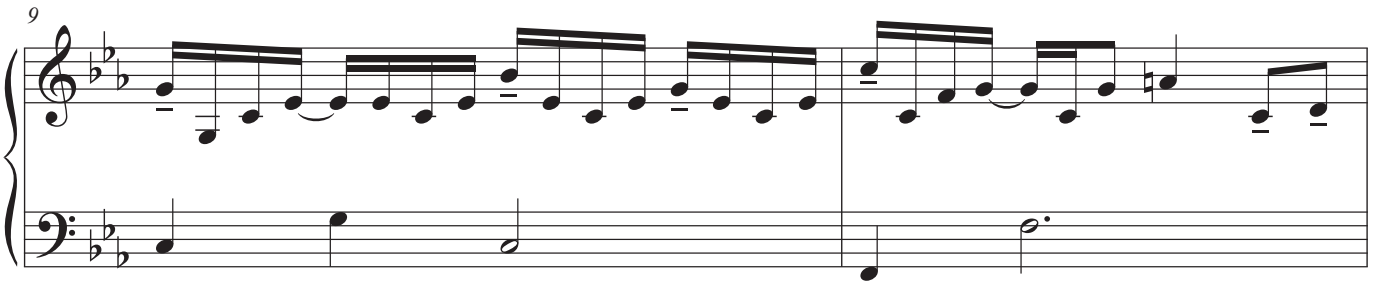

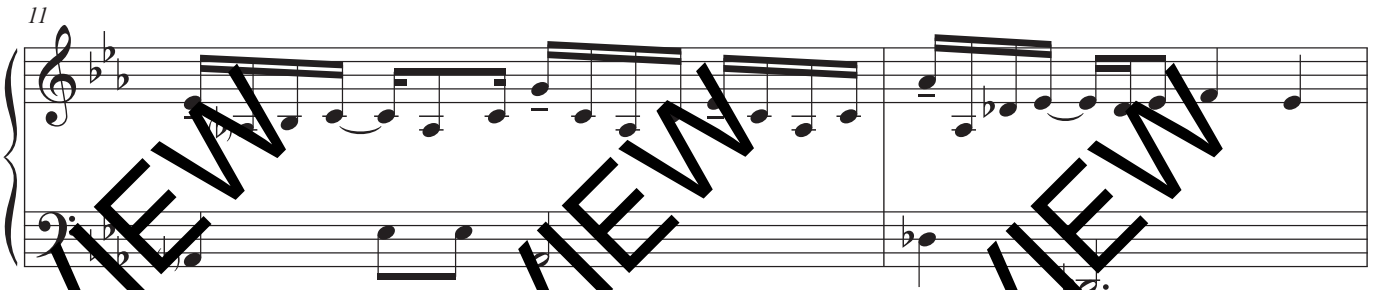

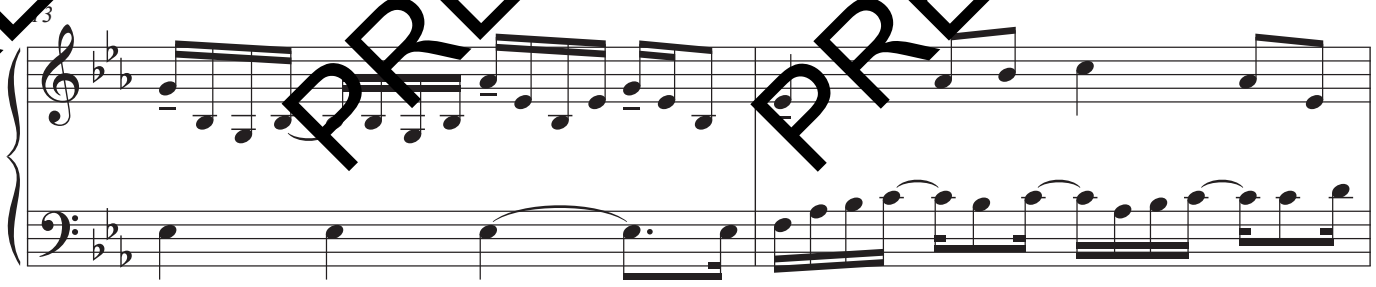

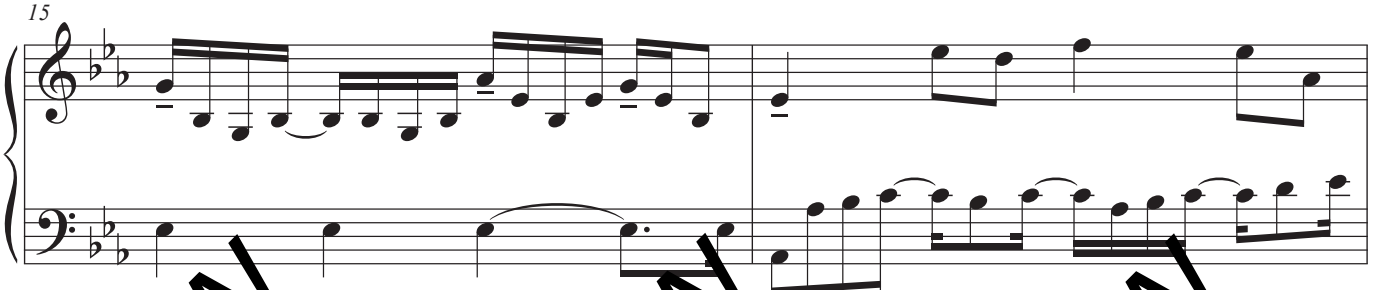

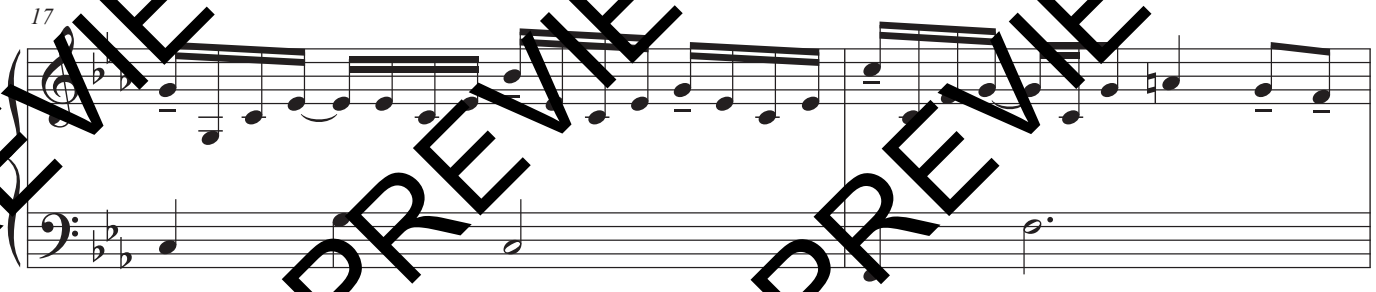

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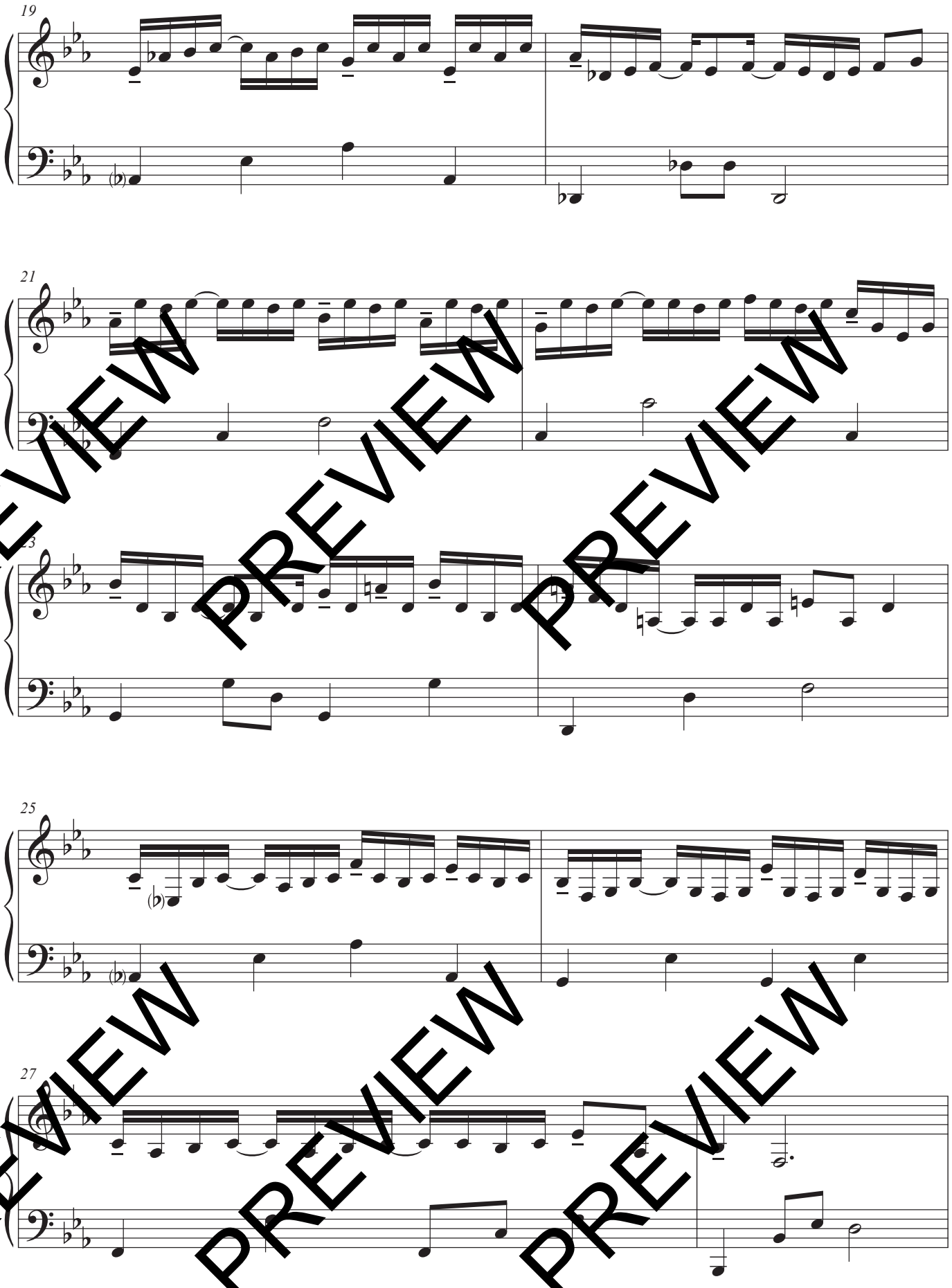

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