

Behold the great Creator

Words: Thomas Pestel (1584-1659)

Music: Matthew Middleton (2015)

The musical score is written for a choir in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system contains five numbered lines of lyrics. The second system begins with a measure rest (marked '5') and continues with the lyrics. The score includes a treble clef with a key signature of one flat (F major) and a common time signature (C). The bass line is written in a lower register, providing harmonic support for the vocal lines.

1. Be - hold the great Cre - a - tor makes Him - self a house of
2. Hark, hark, the wise e - ter - nal Word, Like a weak in - fant
3. This won - der struck the world a - mazed, It shook the star - ry
4. Glad shep - herds ran to view this sight; A choir of an - gels
5. Join then all hearts that are not stone, And all our voi - ces

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clay, A robe of vir - gin flesh he takes Which he will wear for ay.
cries! In form of ser - vant is the Lord, And God in cra - dle lies.
frame; Squa - drons of spi - rits stood and gazed, Then down in troops they came.
sings, And eas - tern sa - ges of de - light A - dore this King of kings.
prove, To ce - le - brate this ho - ly One, The God of peace and love.