

## Morning has broken – BUNESSAN 55 54 D

### Child in the manger

### Praise and thanksgiving

I don't think I have ever heard the first words sung except when I tried the following. It is a simple bridge of just one bar added to the last line and it keeps the rhythm of this delightful but tricky 9:8 tune going nicely:

The musical score consists of two staves. The first staff is labeled 'Play-over' and 'mf' (mezzo-forte). It contains a sequence of notes: C4, D4, E4, F4, G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4. The second staff is labeled 'p' (piano) and 'mf'. It begins with a rest for one beat, followed by notes: C4, D4, E4, F4, G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4. A bracket labeled 'Bridge' spans the first seven notes of the second staff. Below the notes, the lyrics are: 'Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing...'. The key signature has one flat (Bb) and the time signature is 9/8.

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Use this bridge after each verse; you can add a gentle bass note C on the second beat of the bar where the bridge ends to add to the rhythm.

But there may be an even better way. This omits the bridge before the first verse, retaining it between the verses. Apart from the first note, this represents the last two lines of the melody and it runs well into the verse with a one beat break.

The musical score consists of three staves. The first staff is labeled 'Play-over 2' and 'mp' (mezzo-piano). It contains a sequence of notes: C4, D4, E4, F4, G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4. The second staff is labeled 'mf'. It begins with a rest for one beat, followed by notes: C4, D4, E4, F4, G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4. The third staff is labeled 'Bridge' and 'p'. It begins with notes: C4, D4, E4, F4, G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4. A bracket labeled 'Bridge' spans the last seven notes of the third staff. Below the notes, the lyrics are: 'Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing; Black - bird has spo - ken like the first Praise for them spring - ing fresh from the Word! Sweet the rain's'. The key signature has one flat (Bb) and the time signature is 9/8.