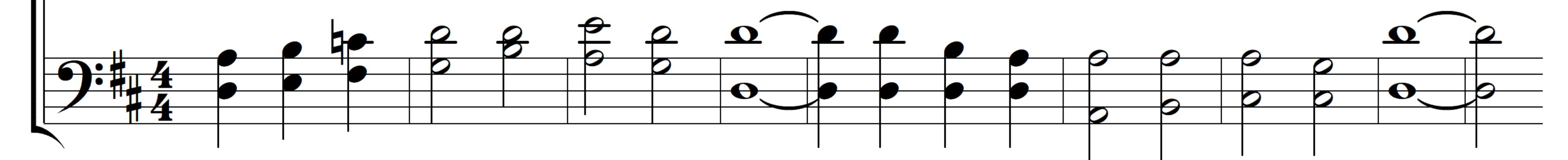
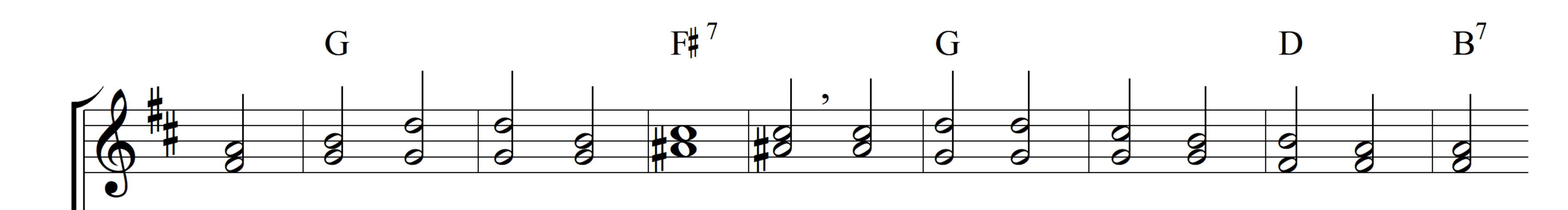
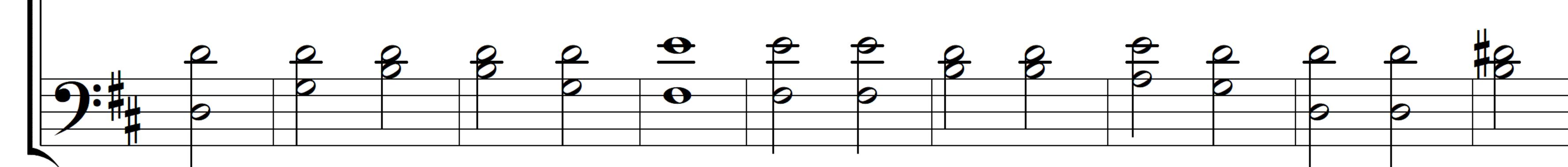


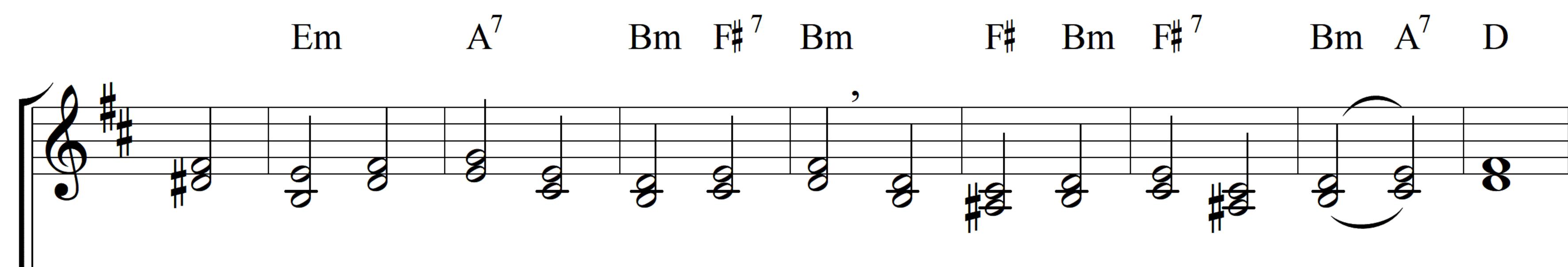
I and my house are read-y, Lord, with hearts that beat in sweet ac - cord,





to serve thee and o - bey thee; be in the midst of us, we pray,

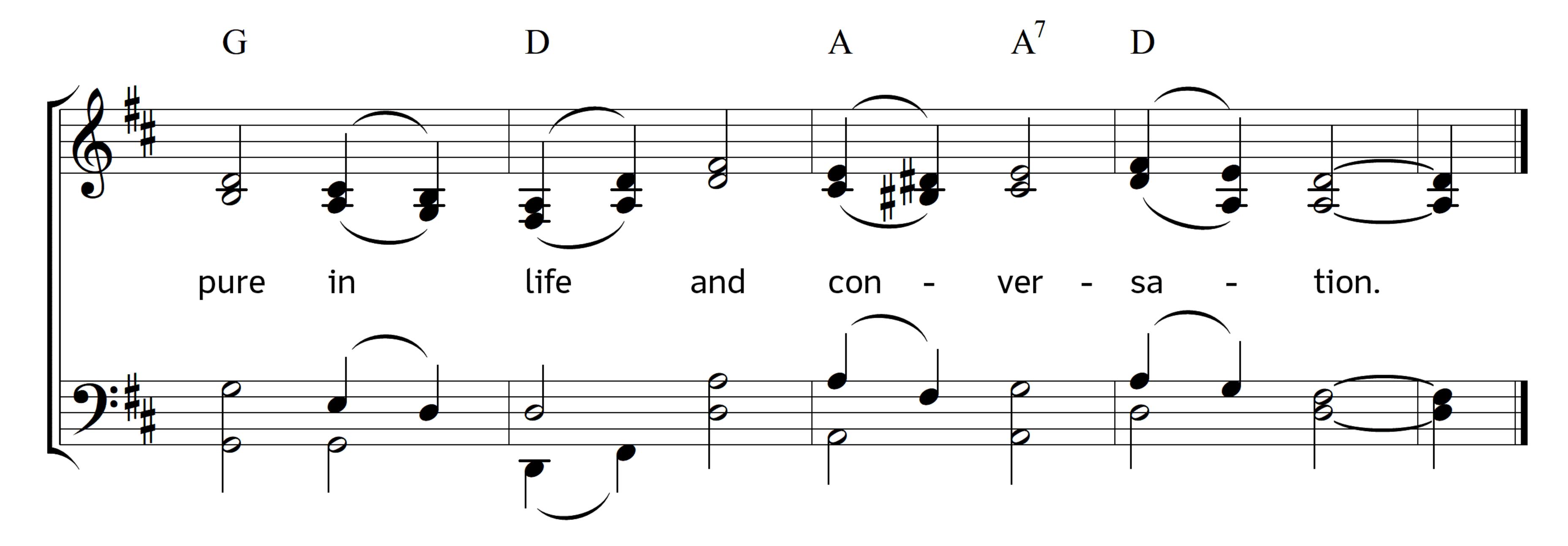




to guide and bless us, that we may a will-ing ser-vice pay thee.







- 2. Let thy good Spirit by the word work mightily in us, O Lord, our souls and bodies filling;O let the Sun of grace shine bright, that there may be abundant light in us and in our dwelling.On our way, night and day, with the heavenly manna feed us, to the heavenly Canaan lead us.
- 3. Send peace and blessing from above, unite us all in faith and love who in this house are living; let charity our hearts prepare to suffer long, and all things bear, meek, gentle, and forgiving; nor in aught Christ hath taught let us fail to one another, but each love and help his brother.
- 4. Lord, let our house be built upon thy faithfulness and grace alone; and, when the day is closing and night her gloomy shadow flings, let us lie down beneath thy wings with childlike trust reposing; e'en with smart in the heart, cheerful, happy, and confiding, patiently in thee abiding.

- 5. If thou shouldst bless our home with wealth, let not the world creep in by stealth, and take away the blessing; for if our hearts should empty be of meekness and humility, although all else possessing, we should miss that true bliss, which not all the world's vast treasure can supply in smallest measure.
- 6. But this, O Lord, we pray for most, that in our house the Holy Ghost may ever be presiding; he can preserve our souls from sin, keep order and sound discipline, his Spirit all things guiding.

 O may we ever be by the Spirit thus attended, till our pilgrimage is ended!

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