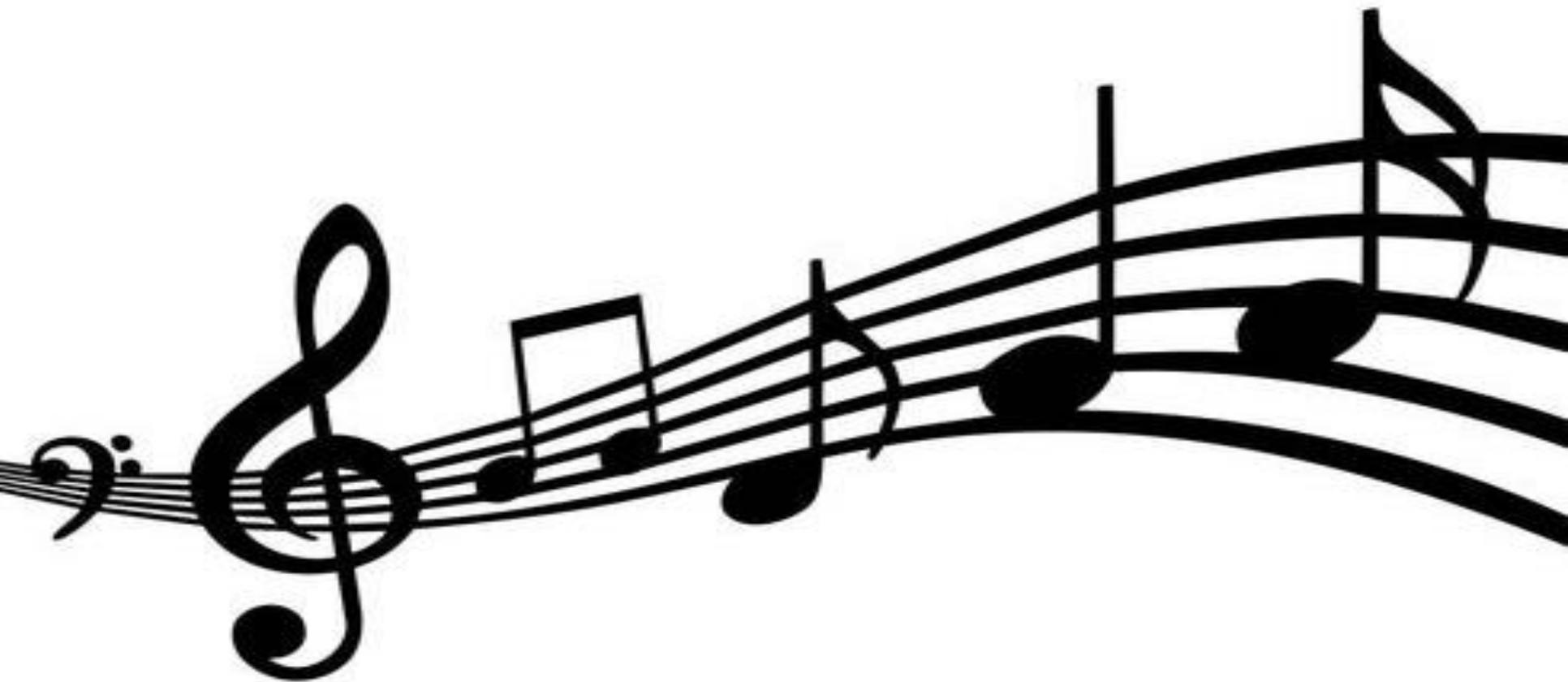


# Hope: A Christmas Anthem



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<sup>46</sup> And Mary said, “My soul magnifies the Lord, <sup>47</sup> and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, <sup>48</sup> for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant. For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed; <sup>49</sup> for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

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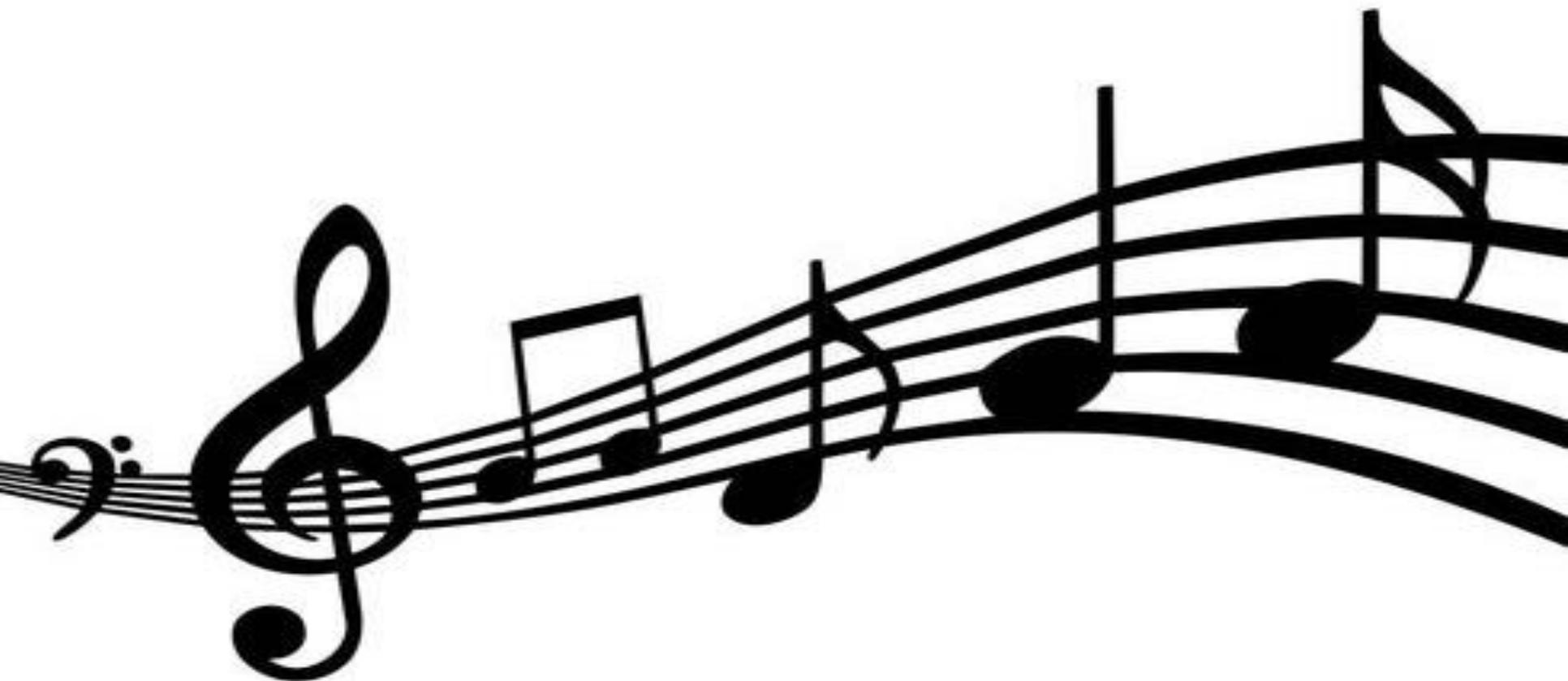
<sup>50</sup> And his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. <sup>51</sup> He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts; <sup>52</sup> he has brought down the mighty from their thrones and exalted those of humble estate;

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<sup>53</sup> He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty.

<sup>54</sup> He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, <sup>55</sup> as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his offspring forever.”

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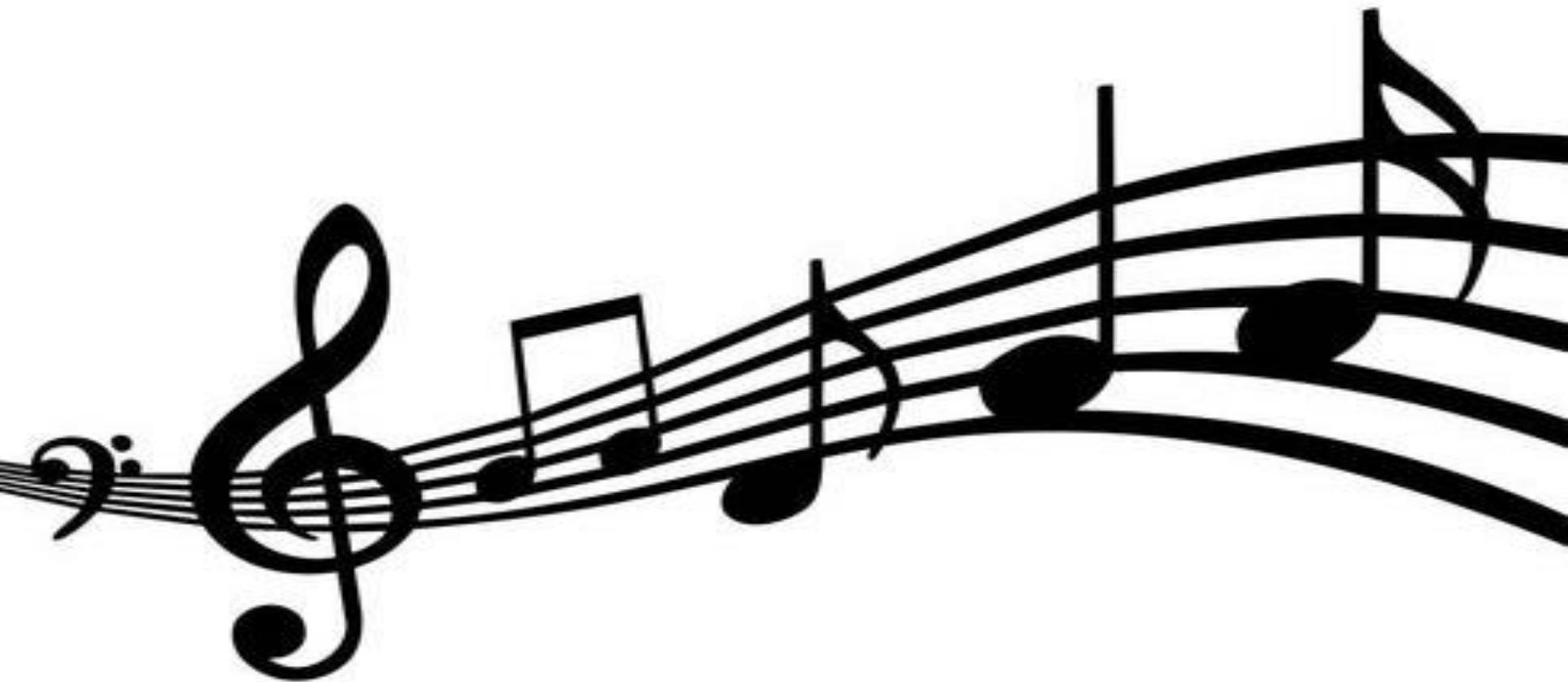
We hope in God's greatness

We hope in God's ongoing personal  
interaction with us.

We express our hope through song

Share God's hope with someone  
this week

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# Scripture Reading

Isaiah 57:14-19

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## Isaiah 57:14-19

<sup>14</sup> And it shall be said, “Build up, build up, prepare the way, remove every obstruction from my people's way.”

<sup>15</sup> For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy:

## Isaiah 57:14-19

“I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit,  
to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite.

# Isaiah 57:14-19

<sup>16</sup> For I will not contend forever, nor will I always be angry; for the spirit would grow faint before me, and the breath of life that I made.

## Isaiah 57:14-19

<sup>17</sup> Because of the iniquity of his unjust gain I was angry, I struck him; I hid my face and was angry, but he went on backsliding in the way of his own heart.

## Isaiah 57:14-19

<sup>18</sup> I have seen his ways, but I will heal him; I will lead him and restore comfort to him and his mourners, <sup>19</sup> creating the fruit of the lips. Peace, peace, to the far and to the near,” says the LORD, “and I will heal him.