CHORAL ARRANGEMENT

Gaudete

SATB Choir

Arranged by Luke Carlson

Piae Cantiones, 1582

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SATB Choir (a cappella)

Piae Cantiones (1582), arranged by Luke Carlson (2014)

Duration: ca. 2 minutes

Program Note

Composed for the Christmas Eve Lessons & Carols services at Tenth Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia, *Gaudete* is an arrangement of the 16th-century sacred carol from *Piae Cantiones* (1582). The Latin text is a song of praise and joy at the birth of the Savior.

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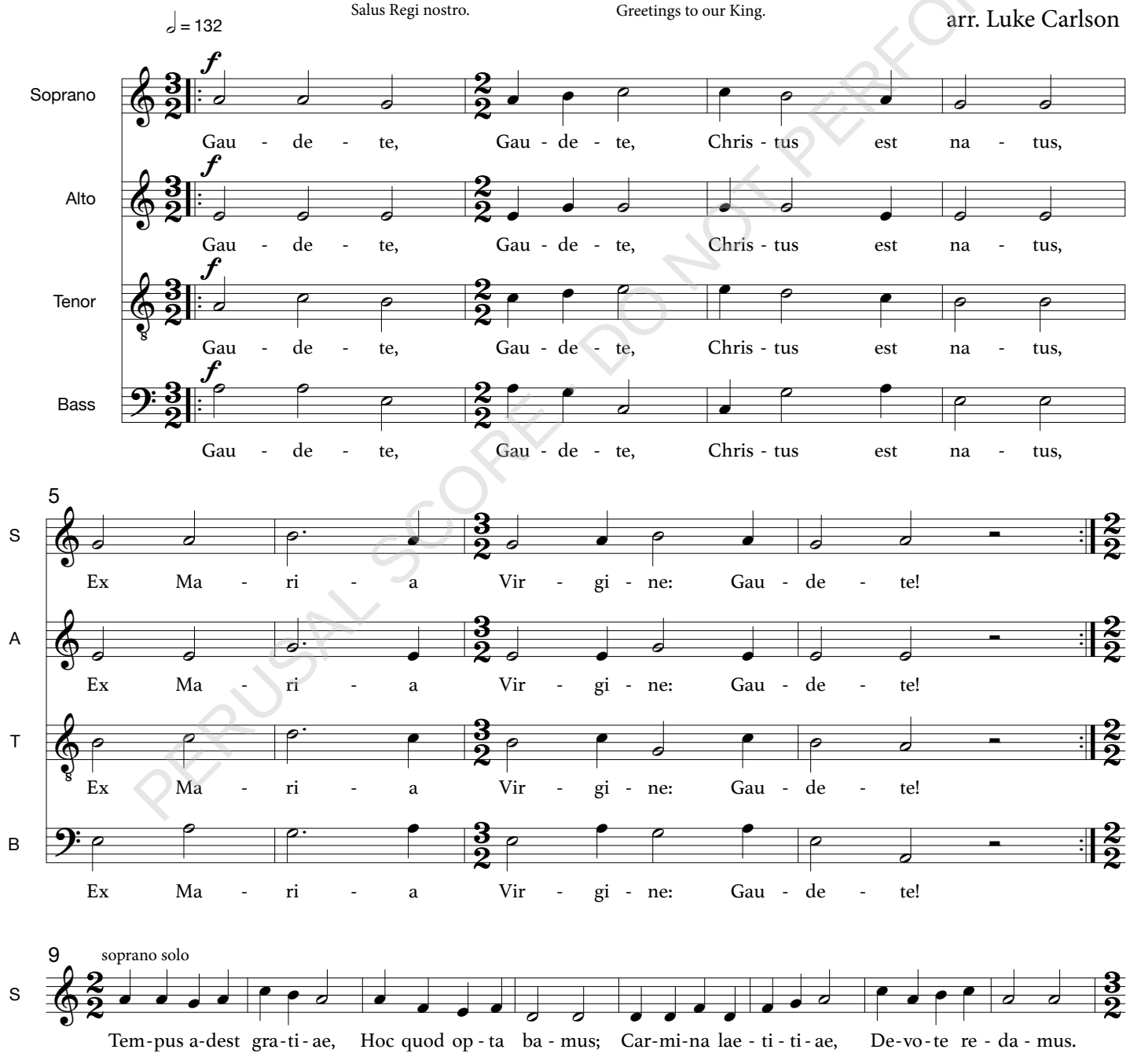
for SATB Choir

Gaudete, gaudete! Christus est natus
Ex Maria virgine, gaudete!
Tempus adest gratiæ
Hoc quod optabamus,
Carmina lætitiæ
Devote reddamus.
Deus homo factus est
Natura mirante,
Mundus renovatus est
A Christo regnante.
Ezechielis porta
Clausa pertransitur,
Unde lux est orta
Salus invenitur.
Ergo nostra contio
Psallat iam in lustro;
Benedicat Domino:
Salus Regi nostro.

Rejoice, Rejoice! Christ is born
Of the virgin Mary, Rejoice!
It is now the time of grace
That we have desired;
Let us sing songs of joy,
Let us give devotion.
God was made man,
And nature marvels;
The world was renewed
By Christ who is King.
The closed gate of Ezekiel
Has been passed through;
From where the light rises
Salvation is found.
Therefore let our assembly now sing,
Sing the Psalms to purify us;
Let it give praise to the Lord:
Greetings to our King.

Piae Cantiones, 1582
arr. Luke Carlson



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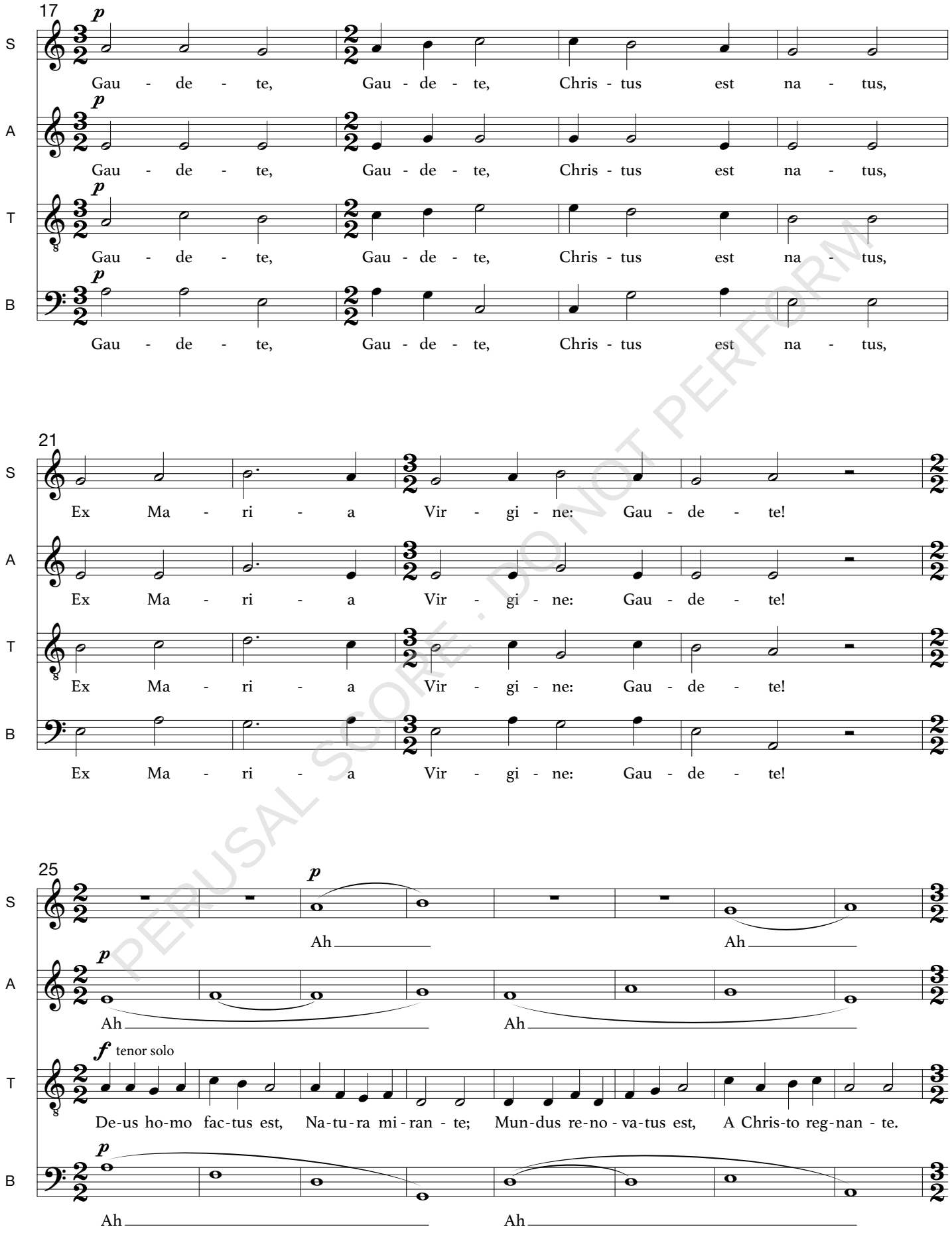

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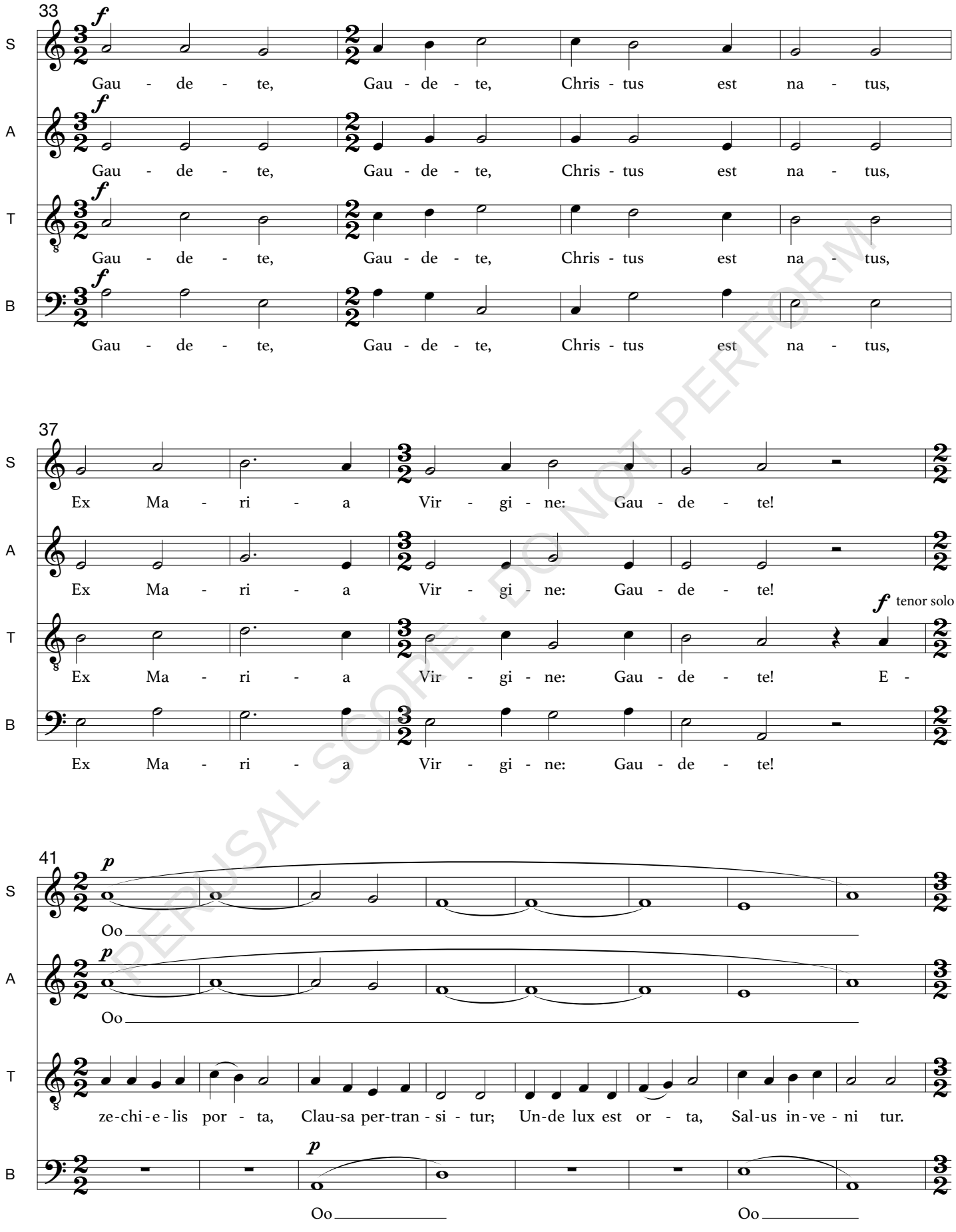

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