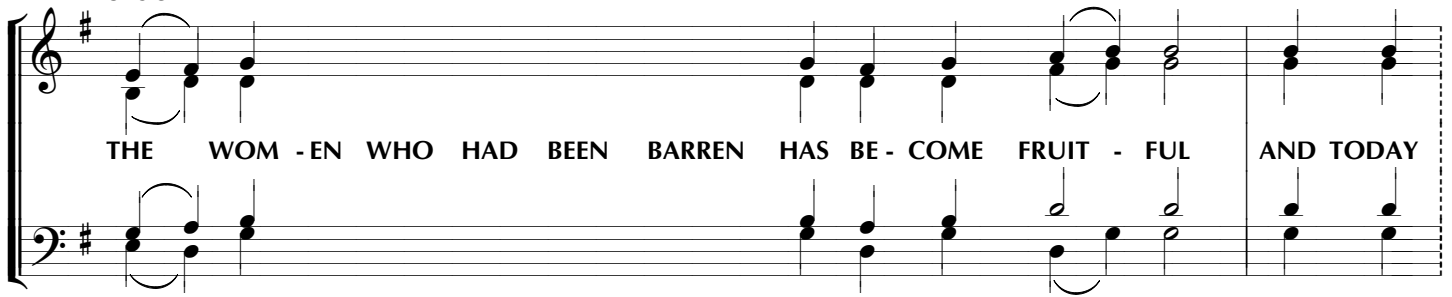


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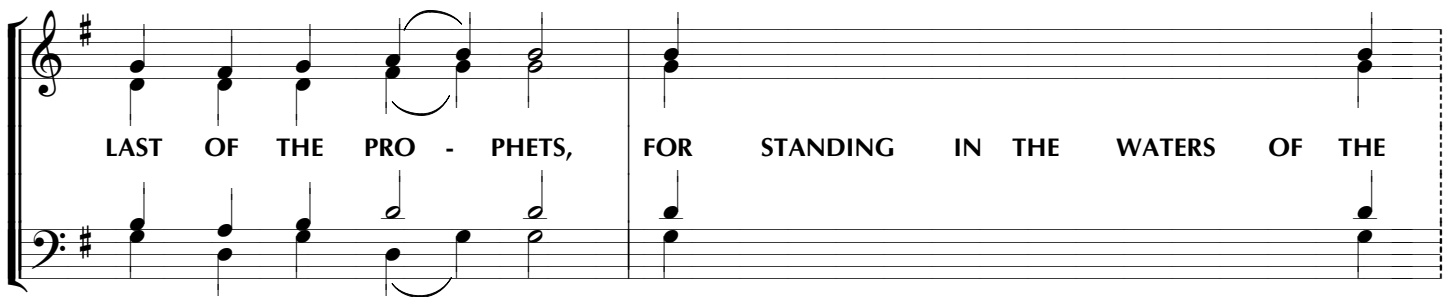
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THE WOM - EN WHO HAD BEEN BARREN HAS BE - COME FRUIT - FUL AND TODAY



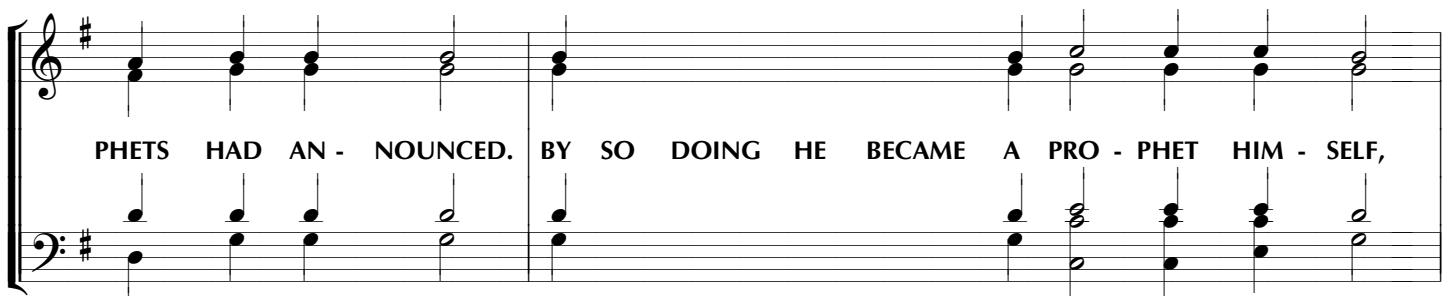
GIVES BIRTH TO THE FORE - RUN - NER OF CHRIST. HE IS THE GREAT - EST AND



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JOR - DAN HE PLACED HIS HANDS ON CHRIST WHOM ALL THE PRO -



PHETS HAD AN - NOUNCED. BY SO DOING HE BECAME A PRO - PHET HIM - SELF,

A PREACHER AND FORE - RUN - NER OF THE WORD OF GOD.

The image shows a musical score for a vocal line. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the treble staff. The melody is primarily composed of quarter and eighth notes, with some phrases slurred together. The bass staff provides a simple harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.