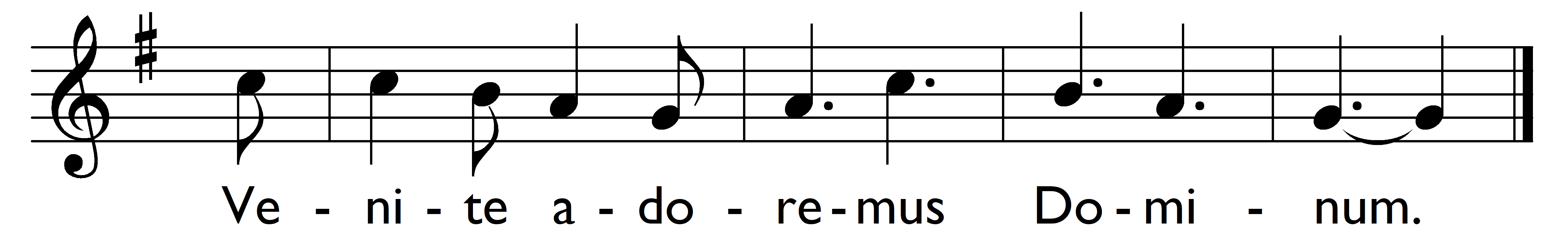
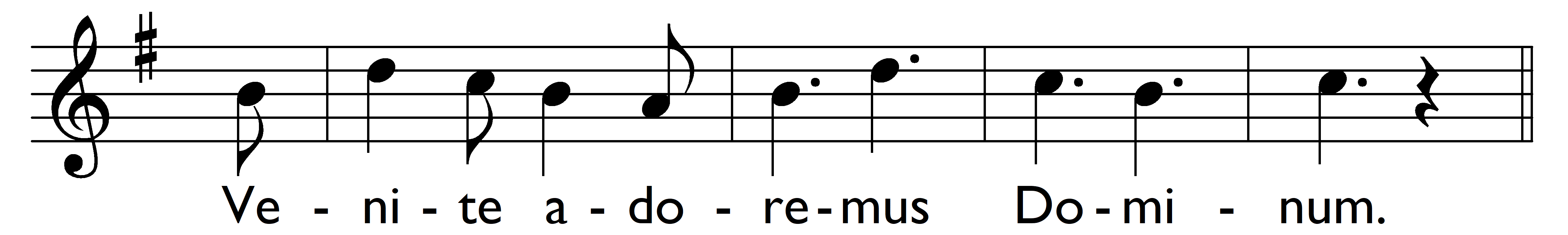
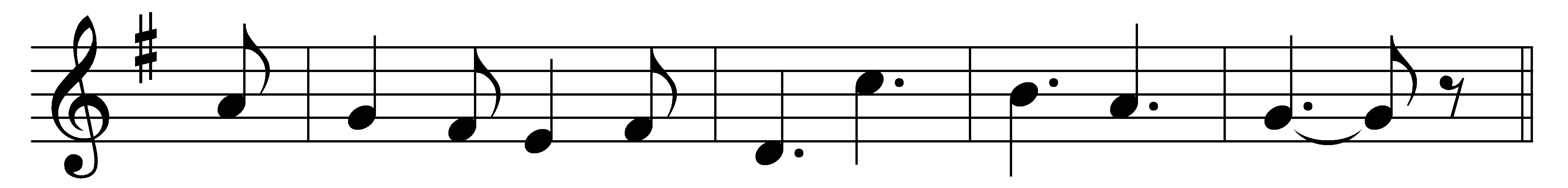
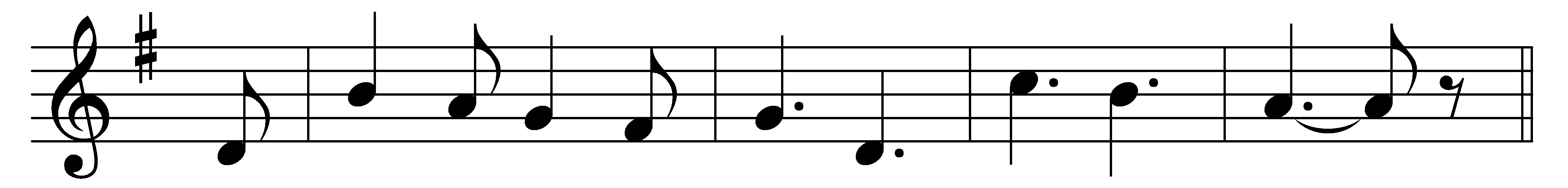
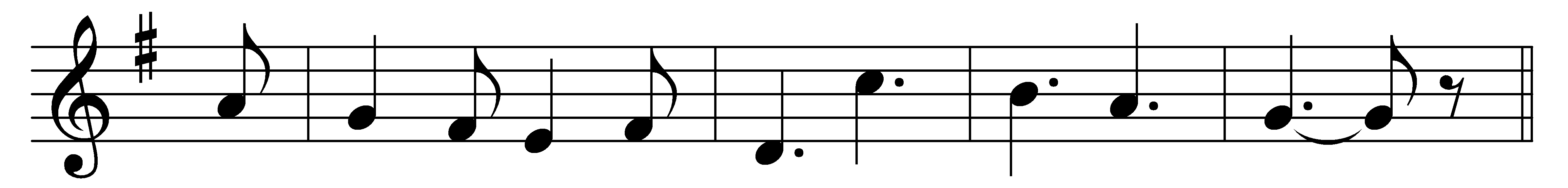
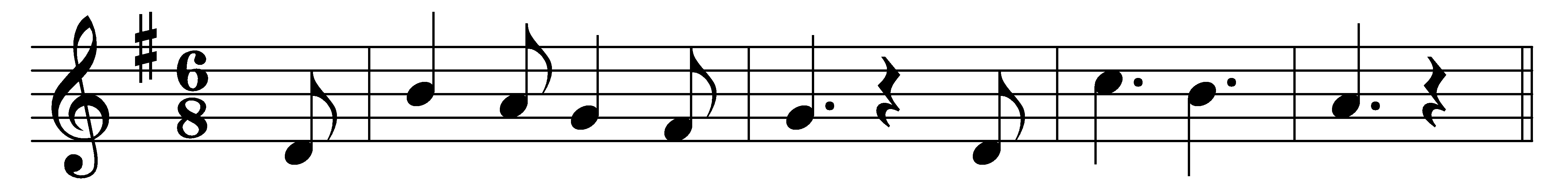
The snow lay on the ground Hymnal 1982 no. 110 Melody: Venite adoremus Irregular metre



The snow lay on the ground,  
the stars shone bright,  
when Christ our Lord was born  
on Christmas night.  
Venite adoremus Dominum.  
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*(Refrain:)* Venite adoremus Dominum.

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’Twas Mary, daughter pure  
of holy Anne,  
that brought into this world  
the God made man.  
She laid him in a stall  
at Bethlehem;  
the ass and oxen shared  
the roof with them.

*(Refrain)*

Saint Joseph, too, was by  
to tend the child;  
to guard him, and protect  
his mother mild;  
the angels hovered round,  
and sang this song,  
Venite adoremus Dominum.

*(Refrain)*

And thus that manger poor  
became a throne;  
for he whom Mary bore  
was God the Son.  
O come, then, let us join  
the heavenly host;  
to praise the Father, Son,  
and Holy Ghost.

*(Refrain)*

Words: Anonymous, 19th century

Music: Melody adapted by Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)