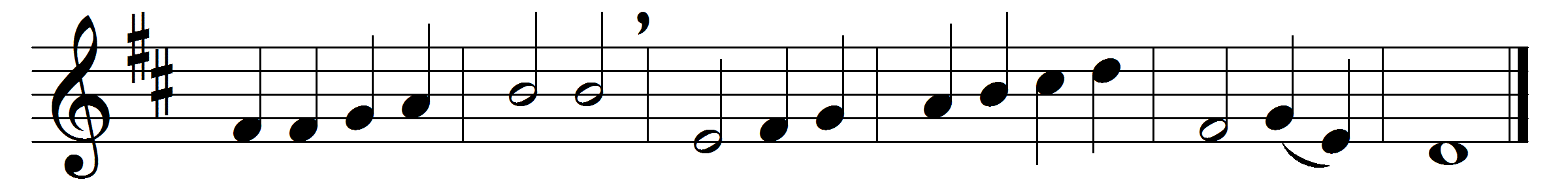
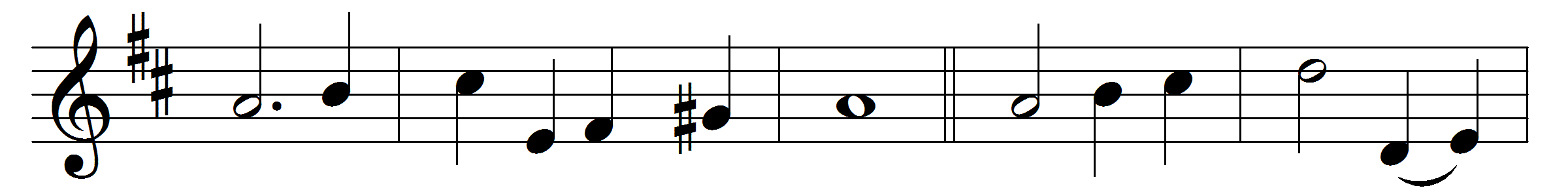
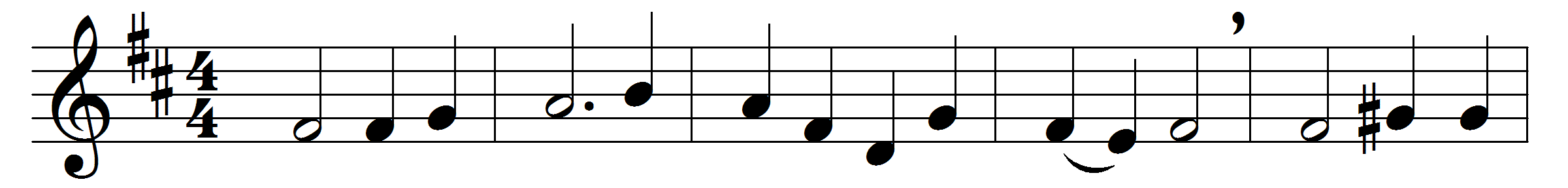
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O strength and stay upholding all creation,  
who ever dost thyself unmoved abide,  
yet day by day the light in due gradation  
from hour to hour through all its changes guide;

grant to life’s day a calm unclouded ending,  
an eve untouched by shadows of decay,  
the brightness of a holy death-bed blending  
with dawning glories of the eternal day.

Hear us, O Father, gracious and forgiving,  
through Jesus Christ thy co-eternal Word,  
who with the Holy Ghost by all things living  
now and to endless ages art adored.

Words: St. Ambrose (c. 340-397), translated by John Ellerton (1826-1893) and Fenton John Anthony Hort (1828-1892)

Music: John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)