

Break forth, O beauteous heavenly light

Johann Schop, c 1590-1667
Arr J.S. Bach, 1685-1750

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The musical score consists of three staves of music for two voices. The top staff is in soprano range, and the bottom staff is in bass range. The music is in common time and uses a key signature of one flat. The notation includes eighth and sixteenth note patterns, with some grace notes and dynamic markings like dots and dashes.

Break forth, O beauteous heavenly light,
And usher in the morning;
O shepherds, shrink not with a fright,
But hear the angel's warning.
This Child, now weak in infancy,
Our confidence and joy shall be,
The power of Satan breaking,
Our peace eternal making.

(There are two more copyrighted verses in the 2006 Lutheran Service Book)

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