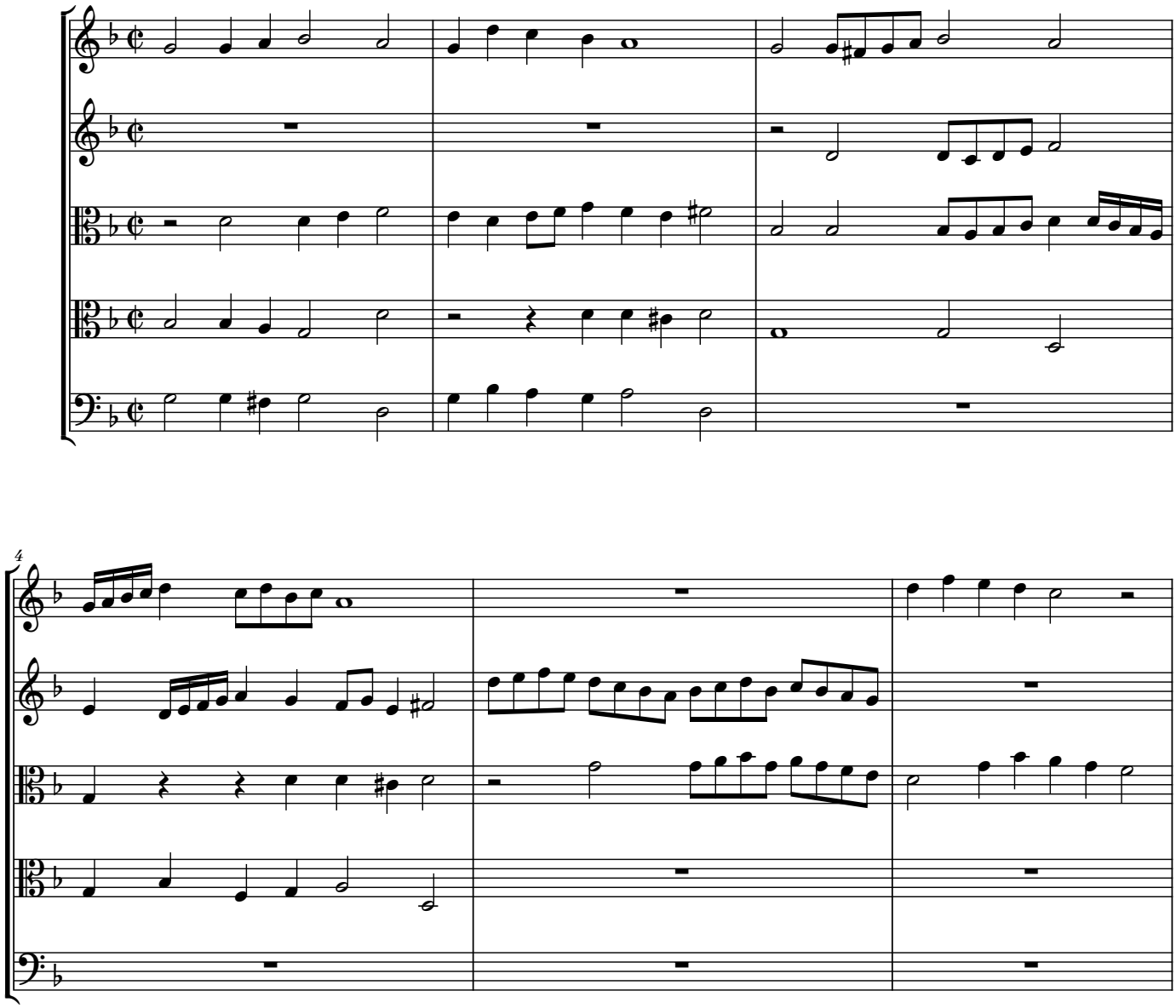
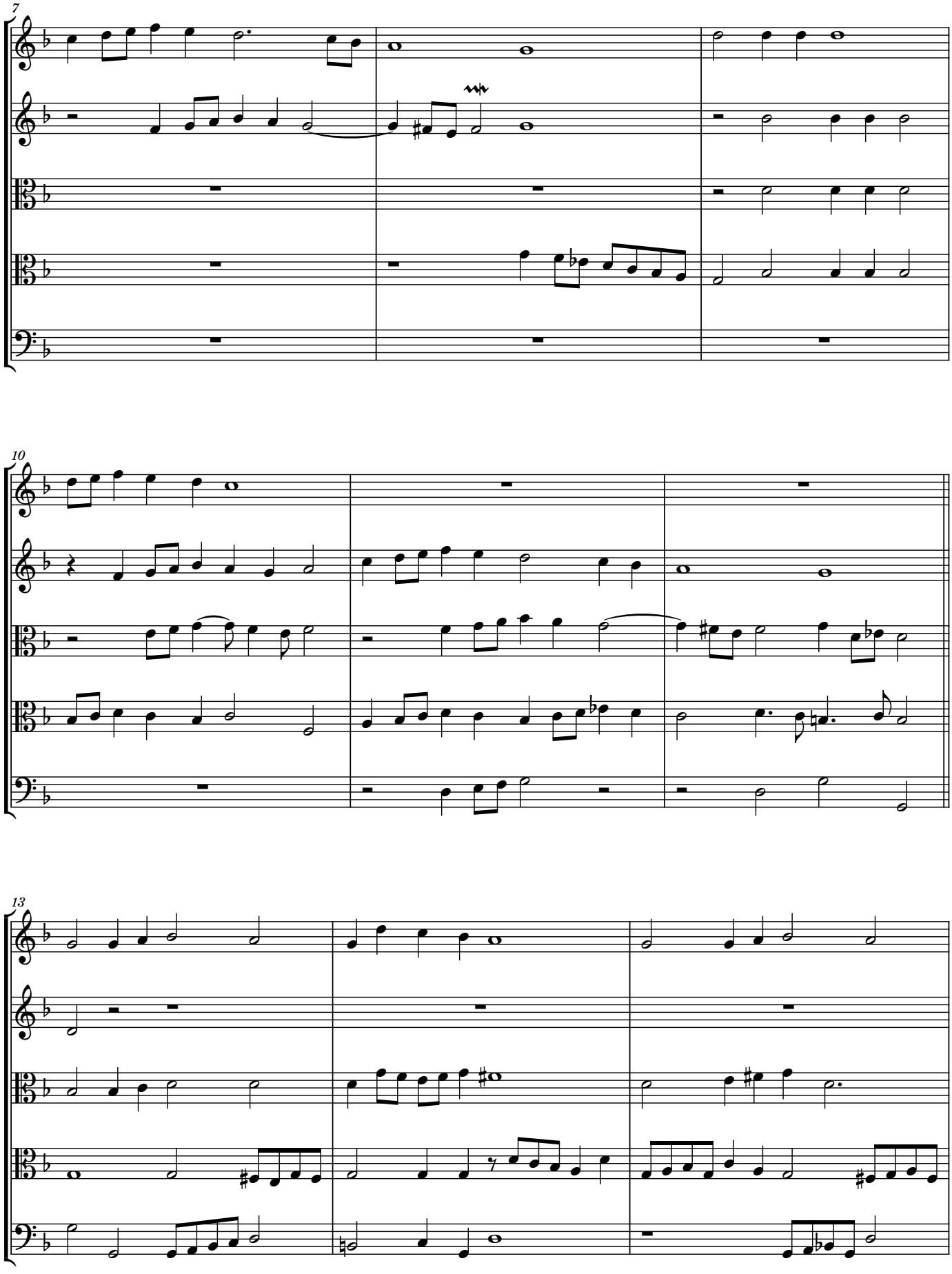
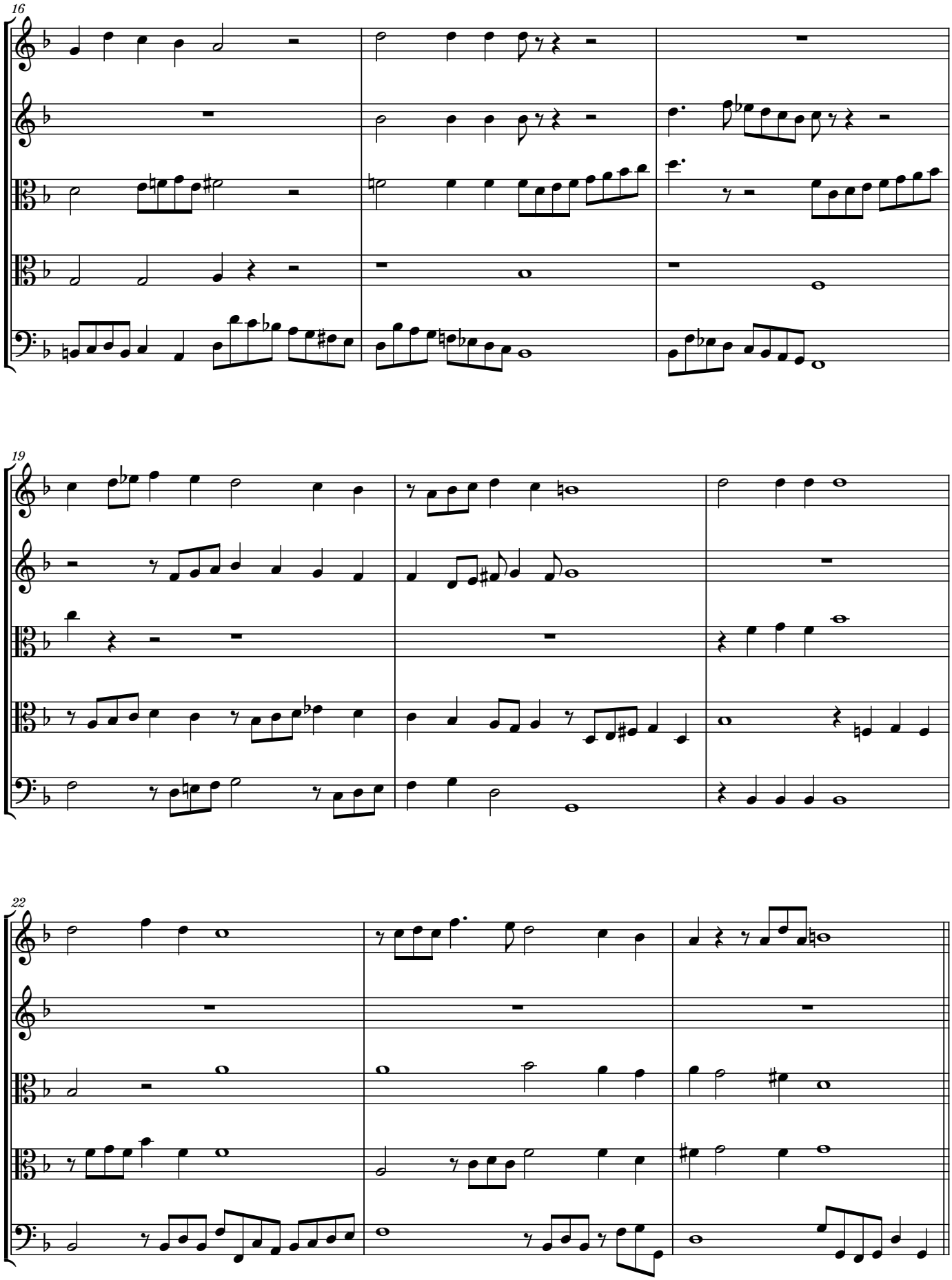
Engelse Fortuyn
(Fortune My Foe)

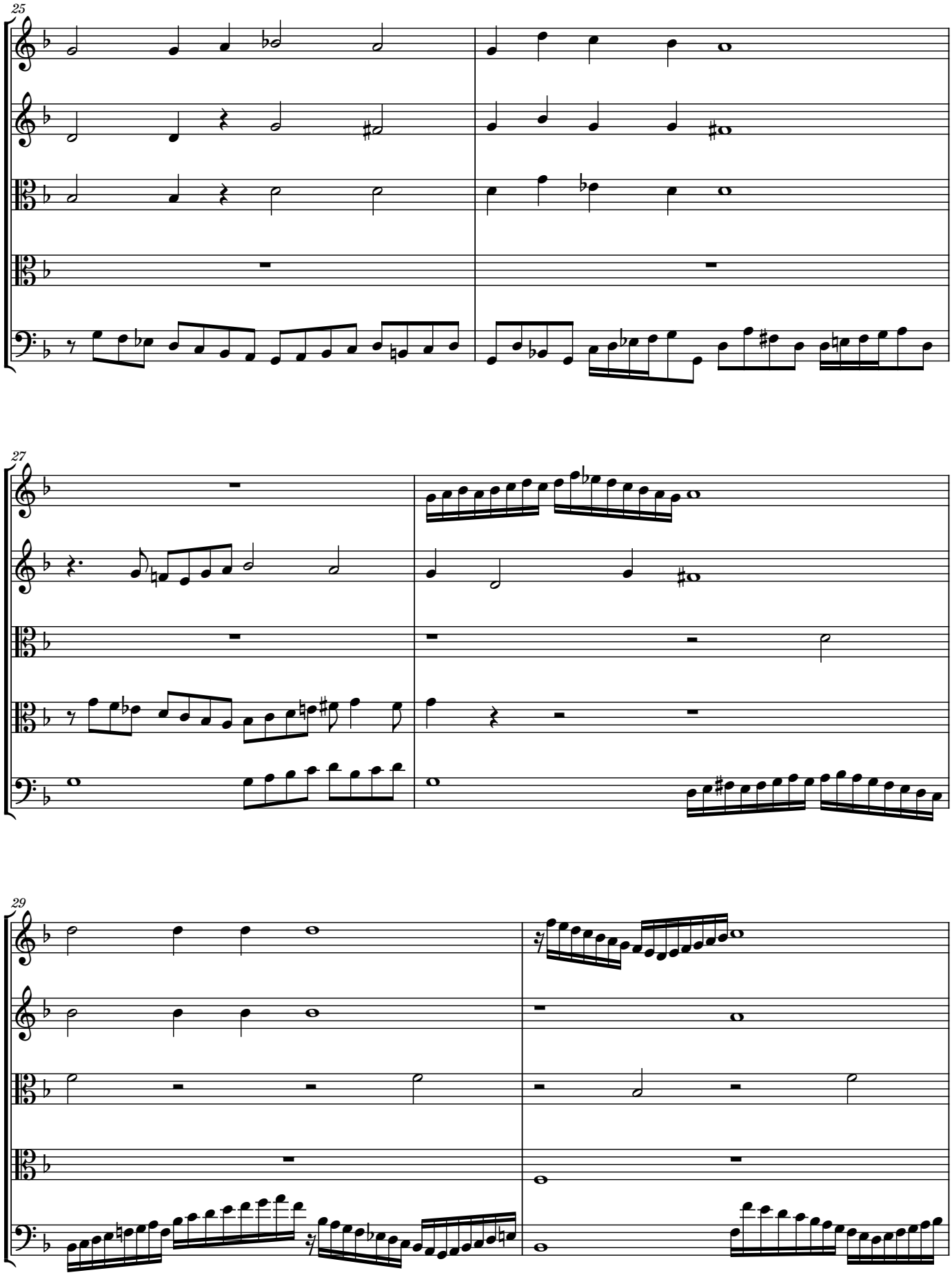
Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck (1562-1621)
Arr. for viols by Phillip W. Serna

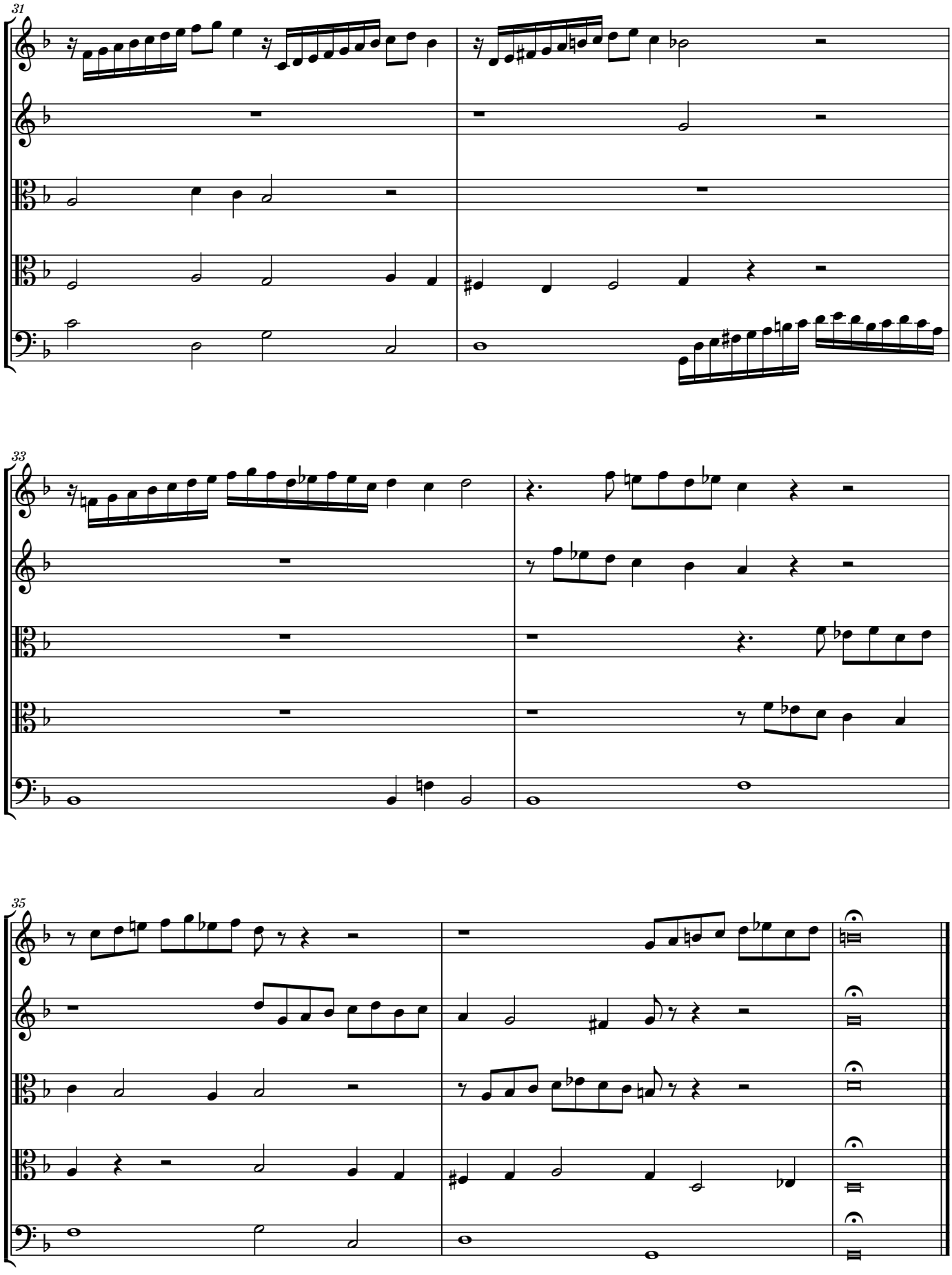
An old song, of which the lyrics are found in a song book from ca. 1640.
The song was sung on Shrove Tuesday, praising food and wine.
The melody is taken from an earlier song known as 'Onlanghs geleden daer ick lagh',
which was in turn borrowed from an English tune that's supposedly written down
by Dutch composer, harpsichordist, organist and music educator J.P. Sweelinck.
Sweelinck's melody is probably based on lutenist John Dowland's
arrangement of 'Fortune My Foe' for Lute.




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