



To Chloris

MADRIGAL

Charles Villiers Stanford
(1852-1924)

Allegretto tranquillo

The musical score consists of four staves, each representing a different voice part: Soprano (S), Alto (A), Tenor (T), and Bass (B). The music is in common time and has a key signature of one flat. The vocal parts are written in soprano, alto, tenor, and bass clefs respectively. The lyrics are as follows:

While I lis - ten to thy voice, Chlo - ris, I feel my life de -
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Soprano (S): cay; That pow'r - ful

Alto (A): cay; That pow'r - ful noise, that pow'r - ful noise, that

Tenor (T): cay; That pow'r - ful noise _____ Calls _____

Bass (B): cay; That pow'r - ful noise, that pow'r - ful, pow'r - ful noise _____

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Soprano (S): noise _____ Calls _____ my faint - ing soul a - way, > dim.

Alto (A): pow'r - ful noise Calls _____ my soul a - way, > dim.

Tenor (T): — my faint - - - ing, faint - ing soul a - way, > dim.

Bass (B): Calls _____ my faint - - - ing soul a - way, Calls _____

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Soprano (S): pp Calls my faint - - - ing soul a - way.

Alto (A): pp Calls my faint - - - ing soul a - way.

Tenor (T): pp Calls my faint - - - ing soul a - way. cresc. Oh! _____

Bass (B): pp my faint - - - ing soul a - way. Oh! _____ sup -

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Soprano (S): Oh! sup - press that ma - gic

Alto (A): Oh! sup - press that ma - gic

Tenor (T): sup - press that ma - gic sound, that

Bass (B): press that ma - gic sound, that

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Soprano (S): sound, that ma - gic sound Which de -

Alto (A): sound, that ma - gic sound Which de -

Tenor (T): ma - gic sound Which de - stroys with - out a

Bass (B): ma - gic sound

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Soprano (S): stroys with - out a wound, de - stroys with - out a wound, which. de -

Alto (A): stroys, de - stroys with - out a wound, which. de -

Tenor (T): wound, de - stroys with - out a wound, which. de -

Bass (B): Which de - stroys with - out a wound, which. de -

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S stroys with - out a wound, which de - stroys with -
A stroys with - out a wound, de - stroys with -
T stroys with - out a wound, de - stroys with -
B stroys with - out a wound, de - stroys with -

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S out a wound, de - stroys with - out a wound.
A out a wound, which de - stroys with - out a wound.
T out a wound, which de - stroys with - out a wound.
B out a wound, with - out a wound.

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S Peace, Chlo - ris, peace! Peace, Chlo - ris, peace! or sing - ing
A Peace, Chlo - ris, peace! peace! or sing - ing, sing - ing
T Peace, Chlo - ris, peace! peace! or sing - ing, sing - ing
B Peace, Chlo - ris, peace! Peace, Chlo - ris, peace! or sing - ing

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S die, That to - geth - er

A die, That to - geth - er you and I To heav'n

T die, That to - geth - er you _____ and

B die, That to - geth - er you and I To heav'n, _____ to

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S you and I To heav'n, _____ to heav'n may

A — may go, to heav'n, _____ to heav'n may

T I To _____ heav'n, _____ to heav'n, to heav'n may

B heav'n _____ may go, _____ to heav'n may

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S go, to heav'n, _____ to heav'n may go;

A go, you and I _____ To heav'n may go;

T go, _____ you and I To heav'n may go;

B go, to heav'n, _____ to heav'n may go; For

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Soprano (S): For all, all we know Of what the

Alto (A): For all, all we know Of what the

Tenor (T): For all, all we know Of what the

Bass (B): For all, all we know Of what the

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Soprano (S): bles - sed do a - bove, all we know Is,

Alto (A): bles - sed do a - bove, all we know Is,

Tenor (T): bles - sed do a - bove, Is, that they

Bass (B): bles - sed do a - bove,

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Soprano (S): that they sing, is, that they sing and that they love, and

Alto (A): that they sing, is, that they sing and that they love, and

Tenor (T): sing, is, that they sing, they sing and that they love, and

Bass (B): Is, that they sing and that they love, and

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Soprano (S) vocal line: that they love, _____ that they sing and that they love, _____ they

Alto (A) vocal line: that they love, _____ they sing and that they love, _____

Tenor (T) vocal line: that they love, _____ they sing and that they love, _____

Bass (B) vocal line: that they love, _____ they sing and that they love, _____

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S love, _____ they love, _____ is, that they love. _____

A is, that they love, _____ is, that they love. _____

T — is, that they love, _____ they sing — that they love. _____

B — and that they love, _____ they sing and that they love. _____

E. Donajowski
(1900)

While I listen to thy voice,
Chloris, I feel my life decay;
That powerful noise
Calls my fainting soul away.
Oh! suppress that magic sound
Which destroys without a wound.

Peace, Chloris, peace! or singing die,
That together you and I
To heaven may go;
For all we know
Of what the blessed do above
Is, that they sing and that they love.

Edmund Waller (1606-1687)

In Greek mythology, Chloris was a Nymph associated with spring, flowers and new growth.

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