

# Foundling Hospital Anthem

HWV 268

Nr. 4 Comfort them, O Lord

1753

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Canto  
Com - fort them, O Lord, when they are sick,

Alto  
Com - fort them, O Lord, when they are sick,

Tenore  
Com - fort them, O Lord, when they are sick,

Basso  
Com - fort them, O Lord, when they are sick,

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when they are sick: make thou their bed

when they are sick: make thou their bed

when they are sick: make thou their bed

when they are sick, com - fort them:

when they are sick, make thou their bed in sick-ness,

when they are sick, make thou their bed in sick-ness,

when they are sick, make thou their bed in sick-ness,

The piano accompaniment consists of a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes in the right hand and a similar pattern in the left hand, with some chordal textures.

com - fort them, make thou their bed when they are

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The piano accompaniment continues with a rhythmic pattern, featuring a dynamic marking of *f* (forte) in the right hand starting in measure 17.

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sick, make thou their bed in sick - - ness.

sick, make thou their bed in sick - - ness.

sick, make thou their bed in sick - - ness.

sick, make thou their bed in sick - - ness.

24 **un poco andante**

Keep them a-live, let them be bless - ed, keep them a-live, let them be

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bless - - ed, bless - - ed up - - on the

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earth, keep them a - live,

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Com - fort them, com - fort them, keep them a -

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Com - fort them, com - fort them,

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Com - fort them, com - fort them,

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— keep them a - live, let them be bless-ed up - on the earth,

- live, keep them a - live, let them be bless-ed up - on the

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keep them a - live,

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keep them a -

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com-fort them,  
 earth, com-fort them, keep them a -  
 keep them a - live, let them be blessed up - on, the earth,  
 - live, keep them a - live, let them be bless - ed up -

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keep them a - live, keep them a - live, let them be bless -  
 - live, keep them a - live, keep them a - live, let them be  
 com-fort them, keep them a - live, let them be  
 - on the earth, com-fort them,

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ed, be bless - ed up - on the earth,  
 bless - ed, be bless - ed up - on the earth,  
 bless - ed up - on the earth,  
 let them be bless - ed up - on the earth,

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and not de - liv - er them un - to their foes,  
 and not de - liv - er them un - to their foes,  
 and not de - liv - er them un - to their foes,  
 and not de - liv - er them un - to their foes,

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and not de-  
un - to\_ their foes, un - to\_ their  
and not de - liv - er them un - to\_ their  
and not de - liv - er them un - to their foes, un - to\_ their foes,

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-liv - er them, and not de - liv - er them un - to their foes, and not de - liv - er them,  
foes, and not de - liv - er them un - to their foes, and not de - liv - er them  
foes, un - to\_ their foes, un - to\_ their foes, un - to their foes, and not de - liv - er them  
un - to\_ their foes, un - to\_ their foes, and not de - liv - er them

and not de-liv - er them, and not de - liv - er them un - to their foes,  
 un - to their foes, un - to\_ their foes, un - to\_ their foes, un - to their foes;  
 un - to\_ their foes, un - to\_ their foes, and not de - liv - er them un - to their foes;  
 un - to\_ their foes, un - to their foes,;

com - fort them, com - fort them,  
 com - fort them, com - fort them,  
 com - fort them, com - fort them, keep them a - live, keep them a -  
 com - fort them, com - fort them, keep them a - live,



let them be bless - ed, let them be bless - ed

let them be bless - ed, let them be bless - ed

up - on the earth, up - on the earth, up - on the earth, let them be bless - ed

up - on the earth, up - on the earth, up - on the earth, let them be bless - ed

up - on the earth, com - fort them, keep them a - live,

up - on the earth, com - fort them, keep them a -

up - on the earth, com - fort them, com - fort them,

up - on the earth, com - fort them,

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let them be bless - ed up - on the earth,  
 -live, let them be bless - ed up - on the earth, and not de -  
 let them be bless - ed up - on the earth, and not de -  
 let them be bless - ed, be bless - ed up - on the earth,

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and not de - liv - er them un - to their foes, and not de - liv - er them, and not de -  
 -liv - er them un - to their foes, un - to their foes, un - to their  
 -liv - er them un - to their foes, un - to their foes, un - to their foes,  
 and not de - liv - er them un - to their foes, un - to their foes, un - to their

-liv - erthem, and not de - liv-erthem un-to \_\_\_\_\_ their foes, \_\_\_\_\_  
 foes, un - to\_ their foes, un - to\_ their foes, \_\_\_\_\_  
 un - to\_ their foes, and not de-liv - erthem  
 foes, un - to\_ their foes, and not de-liv - erthem, and not de-liv - erthem,

\_\_\_\_\_ un - to\_ their foes, un - to\_ their foes, \_\_\_\_\_ un - to their foes,  
 \_\_\_\_\_ un - to their foes, and not de - liv-er them un - to their foes;  
 un - to\_ their foes, un - to their foes;  
 and not de - liv - erthem, and not de-liv-er them un - to \_\_\_\_\_ their foes;



and not de-liv-er them un - to their foes, and not de-  
 and not de - liv - er them, and not de-liv - er them un-to their  
 and not de-liv - er them un - to their  
 and not de - liv - er them un - to their foes, and not de -

-liv-er them un - to their foes, and not de - liv - er them un - to their  
 foes, un - to their foes, un - to their foes, and not de-liv - er them  
 foes, un - to their foes, and not de-liv - er, not de - liv - er them un - to their foes,  
 -liv-er them un - to their foes, un - to their foes, un - to their foes,

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foes, un-to\_ their foes, and not de - liv - er them un-to their foes, and not de -  
 un-to\_ their foes, and not de - liv - er them un-to their foes, and not de -  
 un-to their foes, and not de - liv - er them un-to their foes, and not de -  
 un-to their foes, un-to their foes, un - to their foes, and not de -

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-liv - er them un - to their foes.  
 -liv - er them un - to their foes.  
 -liv - er them un - to their foes.  
 -liv - er them un - to their foes.