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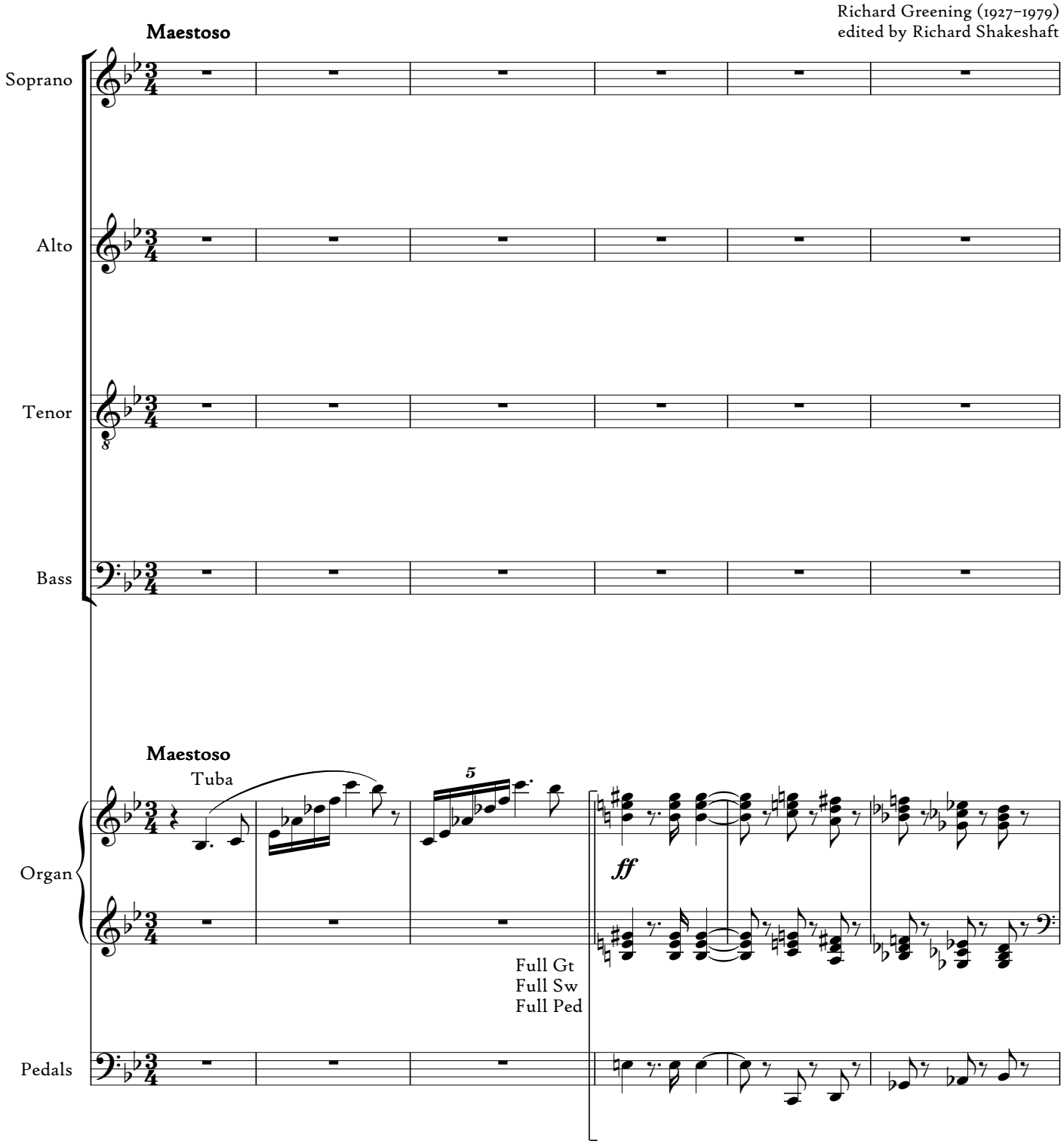
Stand thou fast in righteousness

Stand thou fast in righteousness and holiness,
and keep the place which God hath appointed for thee.
For God is mighty to multiply his grace upon thee.

text from the 'Sta et retine' prayer from the second recension of the English Coronation Ordo, 973AD

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