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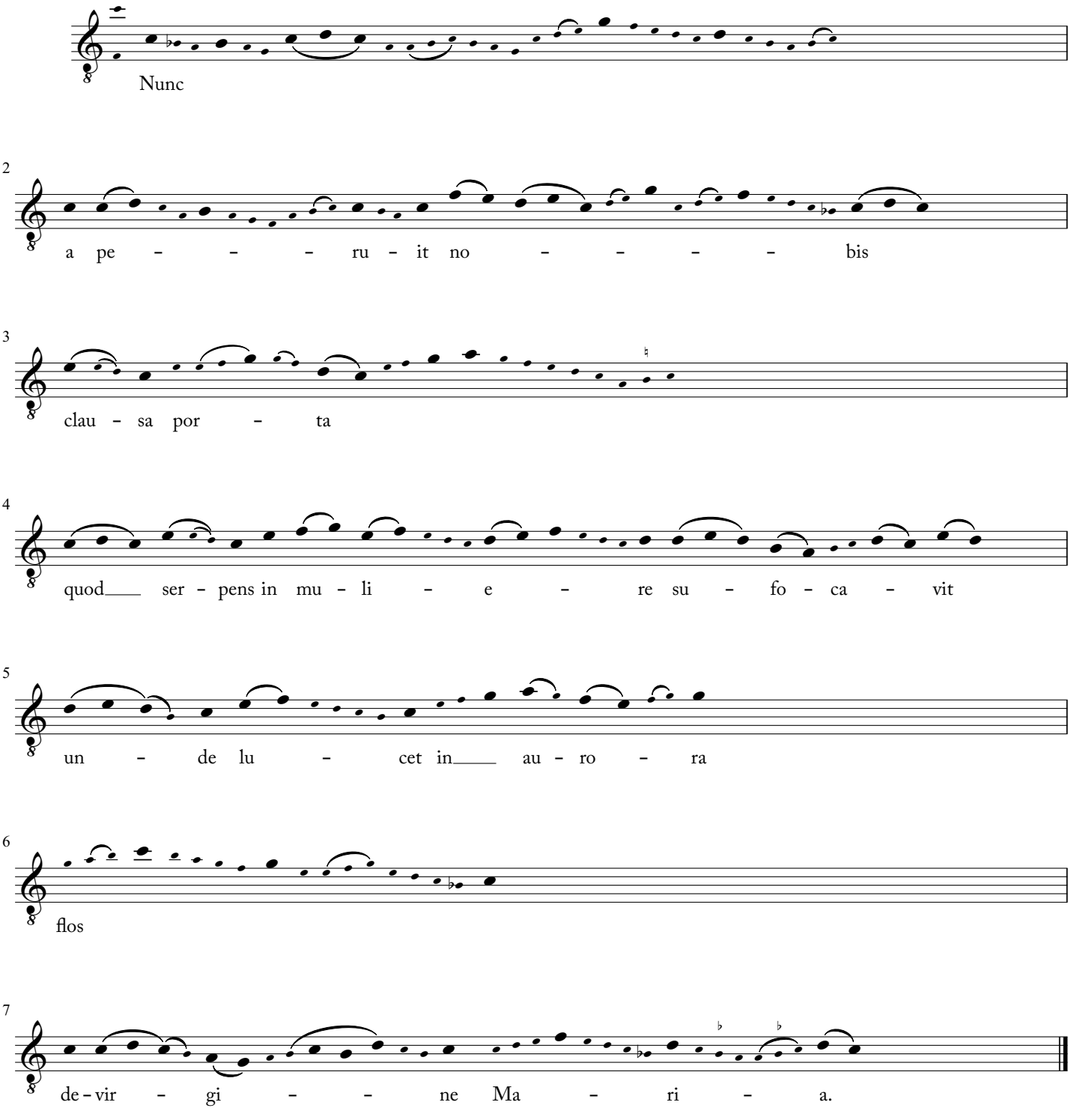
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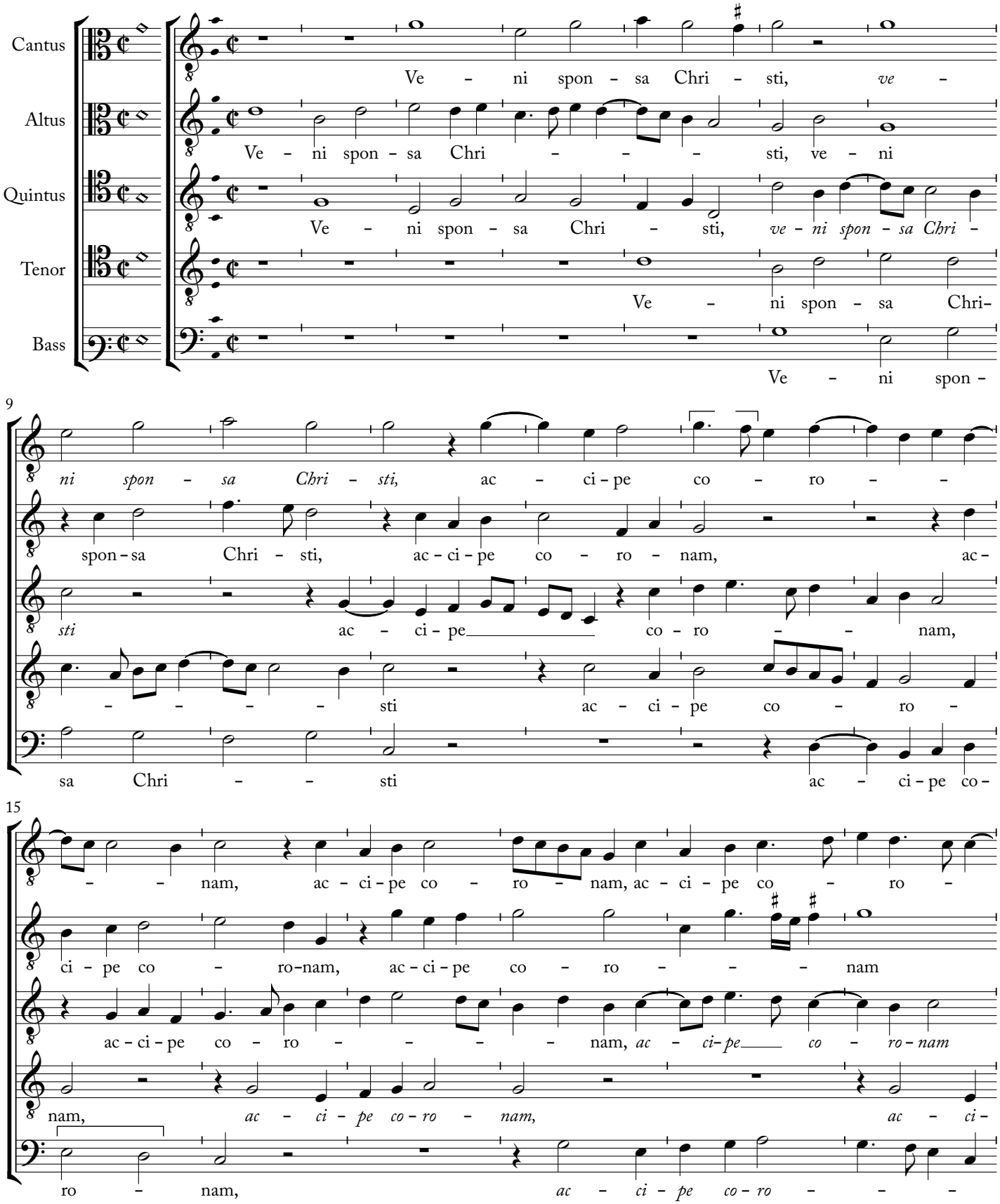


Now has opened for us a closed door, that which the serpent suffocated in the woman [Eve],
where shines in the dawn the flower of the Virgin Mary.

Slurs indicate ligatures. Other neume forms (pes, clivis, torculus, climacus, scandicus, etc.) are shown by small notes. Full sized notes represent the melodic outline; small notes may be considered ornamental and sung more lightly and or quickly.

Veni sponsa

Musica quinque vocem: Motteta materna lingua vocata
(Venice, 1543)

attr. Leonora d'Este*
(1515-1575)



Come, bride of Christ, receive the crown which the Lord has prepared for you for all eternity;

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