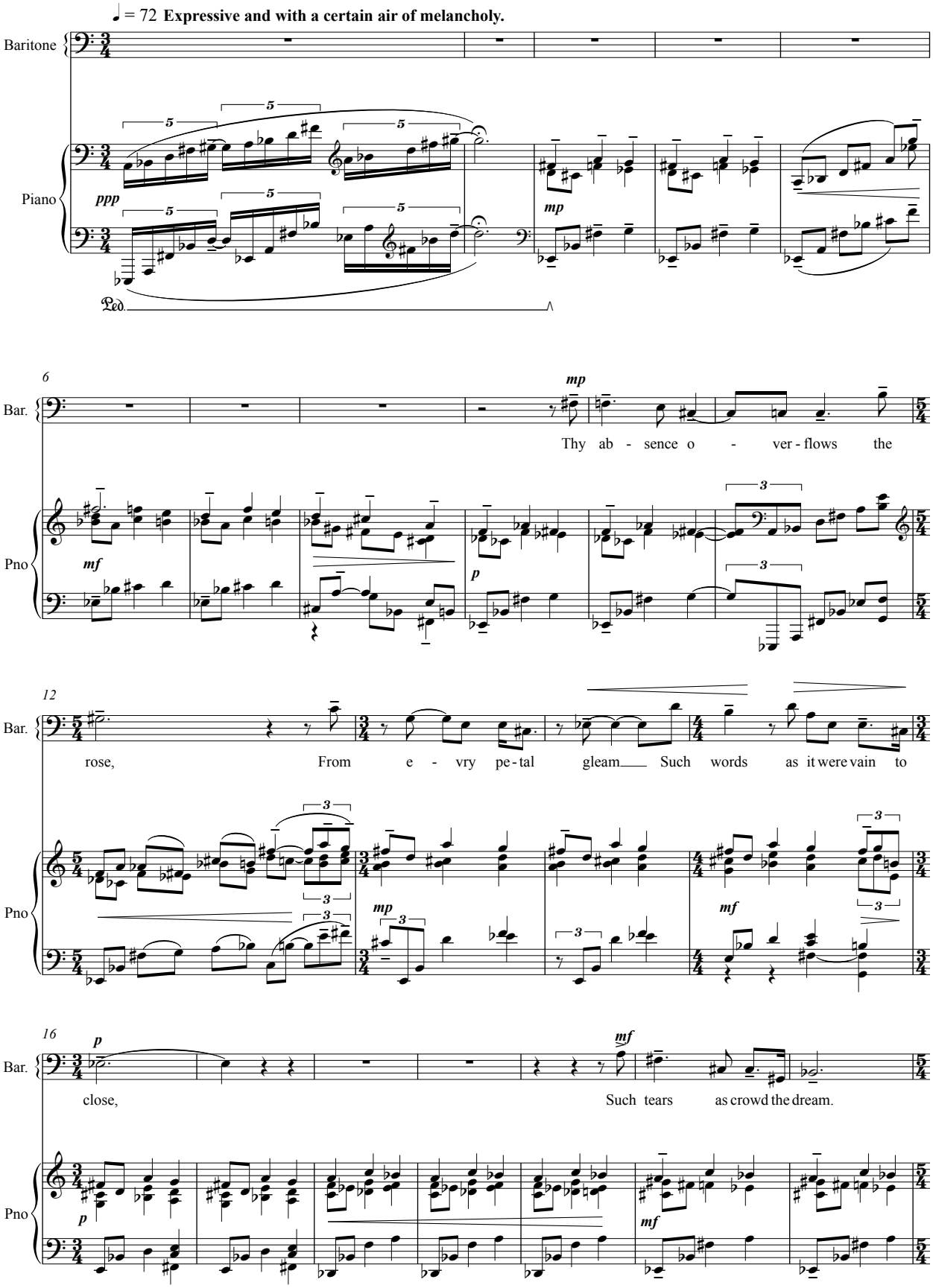
For Michael Litten.

Old Song

Poem by Hart Crane: 1899-1932.

Setting by Melvin Bird: August 20th 2002.



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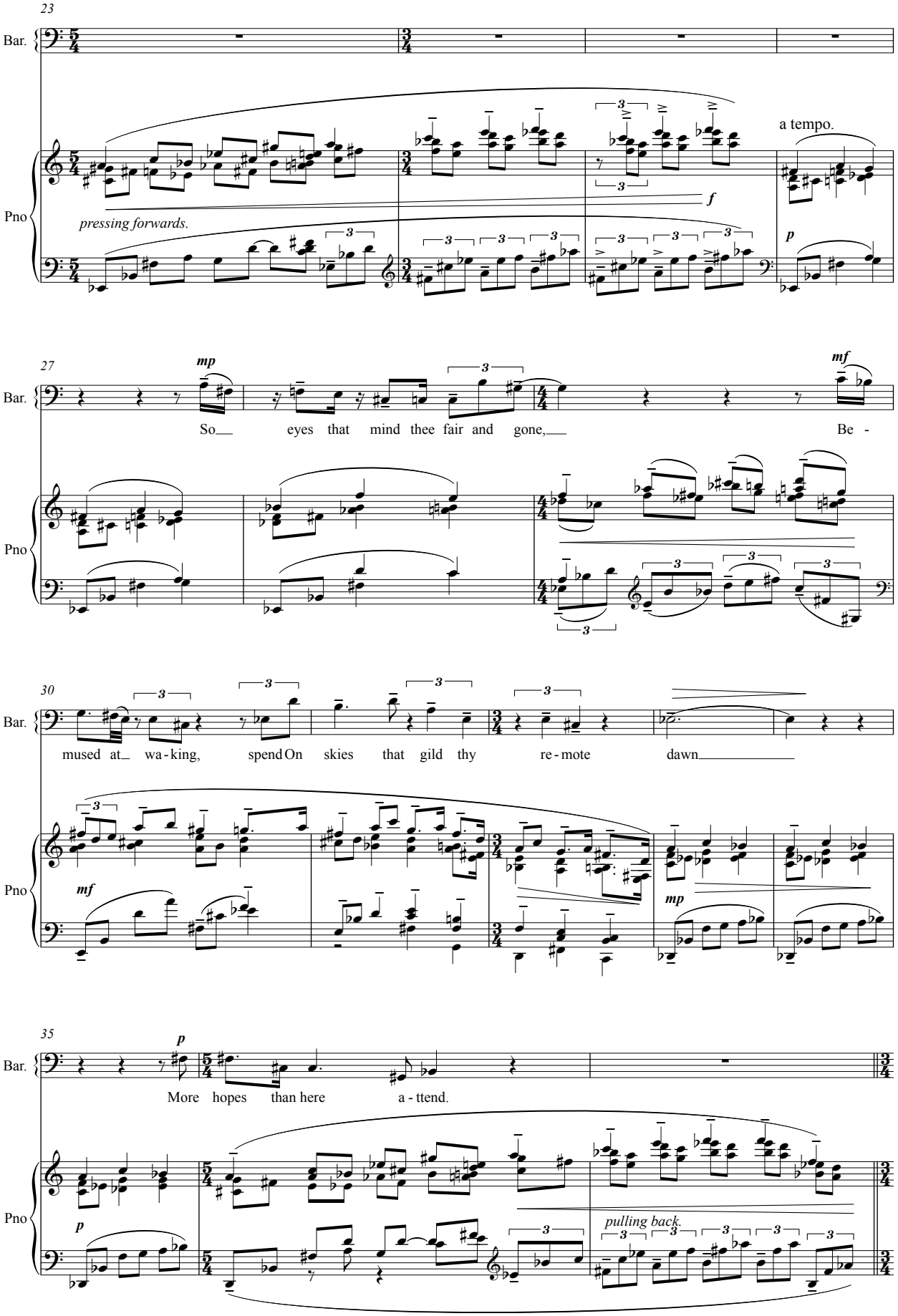
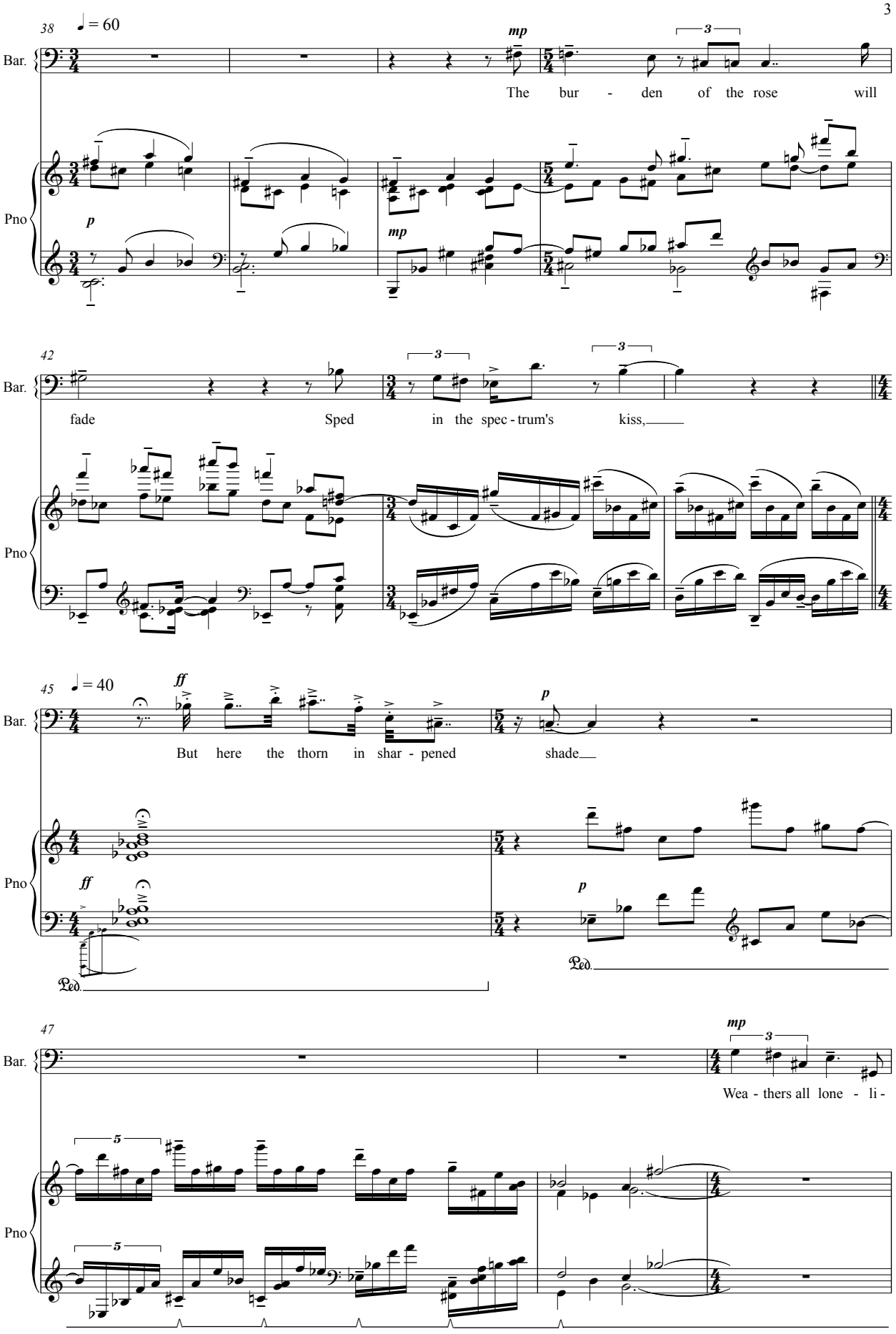
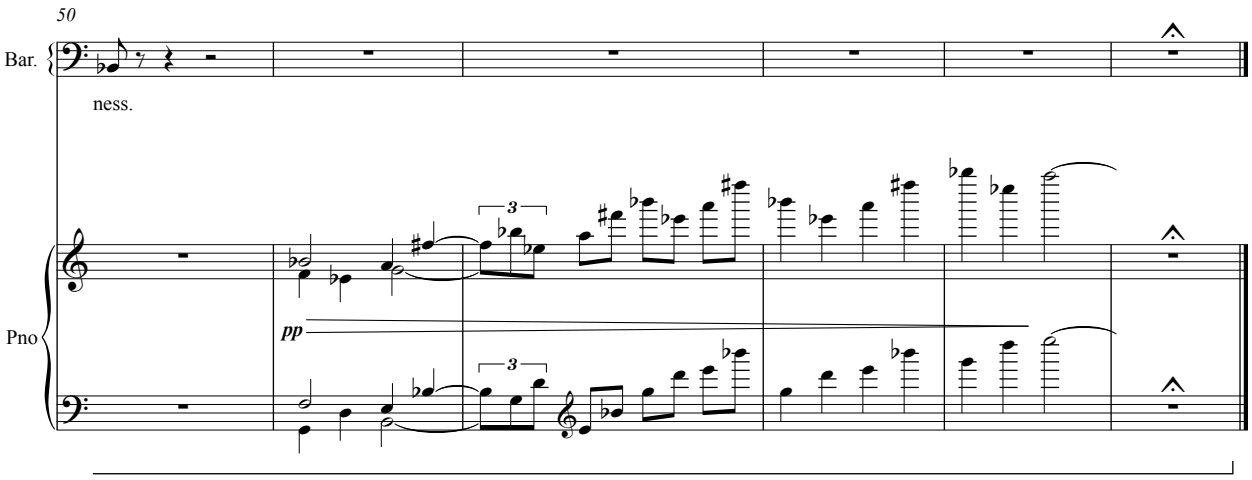

23
Bar.
Pno
pressing forwards.
f
a tempo.
p
27
mp
mf
So eyes that mind thee fair and gone, Be -
30
mused at wa - king, spend On skies that gild thy re - mote dawn
mf
mp
35
p
More hopes than here a - ttend.
pulling back.


38
♩ = 60
Bar.
Pno
mp
3
The bur - den of the rose will
p
mp
42
Bar.
Pno
fade
Sped in the spec - trum's kiss,
3
3
45
♩ = 40
Bar.
Pno
ff
But here the thorn in shar - pened shade
p
ff
Ped.
p
Ped.
47
Bar.
Pno
mp
3
Wea - thers all lone - li -
5
5


50
Bar.
ness.
Pno
pp
3
3