

LIBRETTO

Magnificat

1. Tutti

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

2. Aria

For he hath regarded the low estate of his handmaiden: for, behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

3. Aria

For he that is mighty hath done to me great things; and holy is his name.

4. Chorus

And his mercy is on them that fear him from generation to generation.

5. Aria

He hath shewed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

6. Duet

He hath put down the mighty from their seats, and exalted them of low degree. He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty away.

7. Aria

He hath helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy. As he spake to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his seed for ever.

8. Tutti

Glory to the Father and to the Son and the Holy Spirit.

9. Tutti

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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