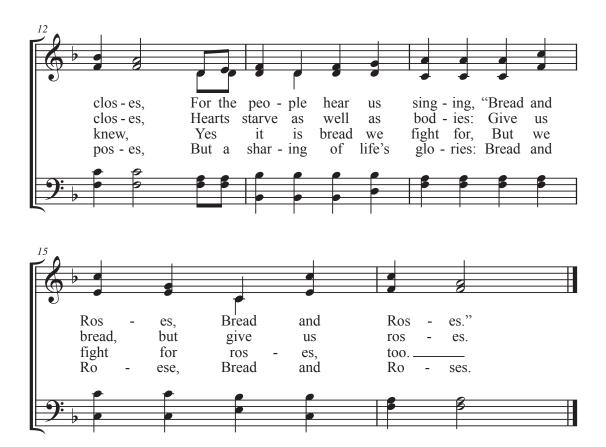


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"Bread and Roses" is a poem commemorating the great 1912 Lawrence Textile Strike, when thousands of mill workers, mostly women and children, went on strike because the mill owners unjustly cut their wages. According to legend, one of the women held a sign that read "We Want Bread and We Want Roses, Too"—using words from James Oppenhiem's 1911 poem as a rallying cry for the strike, and making the statement that the stirkers wanted more than just fair wages, they also wanted "a sharing of life's glories."