

# I saw my lady weeping

*Vidi pianger Madonna (part one)*

Alessandro Lionardi (fl. 1547-1555)

Alfonso Ferrabosco, Sr. (1543-1588)

Cantus (part 1 of 5)

*Musica Transalpina* (London, 1588)

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in 4/2 time. It begins with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. The melody is characterized by a slow, stately pace with many half and whole notes. There are several measures of rests, particularly at the beginning of phrases. The score is divided into measures by bar lines, with measure numbers 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, and 55 marked above the staff. The lyrics are printed below the staff, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a final cadence consisting of several whole notes.

I saw my la - dy wee - ping, and Love did lan -  
guish And of their plaint en - sued so rare con - sen - ting: That ne - ver yet  
was heard more sweet la - men - ting, that ne - ver yet was heard more sweet la - men -  
ting, Made all of ten - der pi - ty and mourn - ful an - guish,  
and mourn - ful an - guish. The floods for - sa - king their de -  
light - ful swel - ling, the floods for - sa - king their de - light - ful swel - ling,  
Stayed to at - tend their plaint, the winds en - ra - gèd, the winds en - ra - gèd,  
Still and con - tent to qui - et calm as - sua - gèd Their won - ted stor - ming, their  
won - ted stor - ming and e - very blast re - bel - ling.

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8 I saw my la - dy wee - ping, I saw my la - dy wee -  
ping, — and Love did lan - guish And of their plaint en - sued so rare con -  
8 sen - - - ting: That ne - ver yet — was heard more — sweet la - men - ting, that  
8 ne - ver yet was heard more sweet la - men - - ting, was heard more sweet la -  
8 men - ting, Made all — of ten - der pi - ty and mourn - ful an - guish, and  
30 mourn - ful an - guish, and mourn - ful an - - guish. The floods for - sa - king their de -  
35 light - ful swel - ling, their swel - ling, the floods for - sa - king their de - light - ful swel - ling, their  
8 (old) de - light - ful swel - ling, Stayed to at - tend their plaint, the winds en - ra - gèd, the winds en - ra -  
8 gèd, Still and con - tent to qui - et — calm as - sua - gèd, still and con - tent to qui - et calm as -  
8 sua - gèd Their won - ted stor - ming, their won - ted stor - ming, *their won - ted stor - ming* and  
8 e - very blast re - bel - ling, and e - very blast re - bel - ling. —

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ne - ver yet was heard more sweet la - men - - - - - ting, was heard more sweet la -  
men - ting, Made all — of ten - der pi - ty and mourn - ful an - - - - - guish, and  
mourn - ful an - guish, and mourn - ful an - - - - - guish. The floods for - sa - king their de -  
light - ful swel - ling, their swel - ling, the floods for - sa - king their de - light - ful swel - ling, their  
(old) de - light - ful swel - ling, Stayed to at - tend their plaint, the winds en - ra - gèd, the winds en - ra -  
gèd, Still and con - tent to qui - et — calm as - sua - gèd, still and con - tent to qui - et calm as -  
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mourn - ful an - guish, and mourn - ful an - - - guish. The floods for - sa - king their de -  
light - ful swel - ling, their swel - ling, the floods for - sa - king their de - light - ful swel - ling, their  
(old) de - light - ful swel - ling, Stayed to at - tend their plaint, the winds en - ra - gèd, the winds en - ra -  
gèd, Still and con - tent to qui - et — calm as - sua - gèd, still and con - tent to qui - et calm as -  
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ping, and Love did lan - guish, and Love did lan - - guish And of  
their plaint en - su - èd so rare con - sen - ting: That ne - ver yet  
was heard more\_ sweet la - men - ting, that ne - ver yet was heard  
\_ more sweet\_ la - men - ting, Made all\_ of ten - der pi - - ty  
and mourn - ful an - guish, and mourn - ful an - guish. The floods for - sa -  
king their de - light - ful swel - ling, the floods for - sa - king, the floods for - sa - king their de - light - ful swel -  
- ling, Stayed to at - tend their plaint, the winds en - ra - gèd, the winds en - ra - gèd, the winds en - ra -  
gèd, Still and con - tent to qui - et calm as - sua - gèd, still and con - tent to qui - et calm as -  
sua - gèd Their won - ted stor - ming, their won - ted storms and e -  
very blast\_ re - bel - ling, and e - very blast re - bel - ling.

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their plaint en - su - èd so rare con - sen - ting: That ne - ver yet  
was heard more sweet la - men - ting, that ne - ver yet  
was heard more sweet la - men - ting, Made all of ten - der pi - -  
- ty and mourn - ful an - guish, and mourn - ful an - guish.  
The floods for - sa - king their de - light - ful swel - ling, the floods for - sa - king, the floods for - sa - king their  
- de - light - ful swel - ling, Stayed to at - tend their plaint, the winds en - ra - gèd, the winds en -  
ra - gèd, the winds en - ra - gèd, Still and con - tent to qui - et calm as - sua - gèd, still and con - tent  
to qui - et calm as - sua - gèd Their won - ted stor - ming, their won - ted storms and e -  
very blast re - bel - ling, and e - very blast re - bel - ling.

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8 5 I saw my la - dy wee - ping, my la - dy wee - ping,

8 10 my la - dy wee - ping, and Love did lan - guish And of their plaint en - sued so rare con - sen -

8 15 20 ting, so rare con - sen - ting: That ne - ver yet was heard,

8 25 was heard more sweet la - men - - - ting, Made all of ten - der

8 30 1 pi - ty and mourn - ful an - guish, and mourn - ful an - guish. The floods for -

8 35 sa - king their de - light - ful swel - ling, the floods for - sa - king their (old) de - light - ful swel - ling, the

8 40 floods for - sa - king their de - light - ful swel - ling, Stayed to at - tend their plaint, the winds en - ra - gèd,

8 45 the winds en - ra - gèd, Still and con - tent to qui - et calm as - sua - gèd, still and con - tent

8 50 1 to qui - et calm as - sua - gèd Their won - ted stor - ming, their won - ted storms

8 55 and e - very blast re - bel - ling, and e - very blast re - bel - ling.

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5  
I saw my la - dy wee - ping, my la - dy wee - ping,  
10  
my la - dy wee - ping, and Love did lan - guish And of their plaint en - sued so  
15 2  
rare con - sen - ting, so rare con - sen - ting: That ne - ver yet was  
20 25  
heard, was heard more sweet la - men - ting, Made all  
30  
of ten - der pi - ty and mourn - ful an - guish, and mourn - ful an - guish.  
1 35  
The floods for - sa - king their de - light - ful swel - ling, the floods for - sa - king their (old) de -  
40  
light - ful swel - ling, the floods for - sa - king their de - light - ful swel - ling, Stayed to at - tend their plaint,  
45  
the winds en - ra - gèd, the winds en - ra - gèd, Still and con - tent to qui - et calm as - sua - gèd,  
50 1  
still and con - tent to qui - et calm as - sua - gèd Their won - ted stor - ming, their won - ted storms  
55  
and e - very blast re - bel - ling, and e - very blast re - bel - ling.



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Bassus (part 5 of 5)

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ping, and Love did lan-guish, and Love did lan-guish And of their plaint en-sued so rare con-sen -  
ting: That ne-ver yet was heard\_ more sweet\_ la - men -  
ting, was heard\_ more sweet la - men - ting, Made all\_ of ten - der pi - ty  
and mourn - ful an - guish, and mourn - ful an - guish.  
The floods for - sa - king their\_ de - light - ful swel - ling, the floods for - sa - king,  
the floods for - sa - king their de - light - ful swel - ling, Stayed to at - tend their plaint, the  
winds en - ra - gèd, the winds en - ra - gèd, Still and con - tent to qui - et calm as - sua - gèd,  
still and con - tent to qui - et calm as - sua - gèd Their won - ted stor - ming  
and e - very blast re - bel - ling, and e - very blast re - bel - ling.