

Georg Gerson

(1790–1825)

Der Abschied

von Göthe

G.26

Score
(Contemporized)

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Andante

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Voce

Violino 1°

Violino 2°

Viola

Basso

Forte-piano

This section of the musical score begins with a vocal line (Voce) in soprano clef, followed by four instrumental parts: Violin 1°, Violin 2°, Viola, and Basso. The Forte-piano part is shown below the violins. The key signature is three flats, and the time signature is common time. The vocal line starts with a rest, followed by eighth notes and sixteenth-note patterns. The piano part provides harmonic support with sustained chords and rhythmic patterns.

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Mund nicht neh-men kann, schwer, wie schwer ist er zu tra-gen, wie schwer ist er zu tra-gen, und ich

This section continues the musical piece. It features the same ensemble of instruments: Voce, Violino 1°, Violino 2°, Viola, Basso, and Forte-piano. The vocal line resumes with a melodic line consisting of eighth and sixteenth notes. The piano part maintains harmonic stability with sustained chords and rhythmic patterns. The vocal line concludes with a melodic phrase, and the piano part provides a final harmonic cadence.

11

bin doch sonst ein Mann. Trau - rig

p dolce

p dolce

p dolce

p

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

17

wird in die - ser Stun - de, selbst der Lie - be süß-tes Pfand, kalt der Kuß von dei-nem Mun - de, matt der

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23

Druck von deiner Hand, trau- rig wird in die - ser Stun - de selbst der Lie-be süß - tes Pfand, kalt der

29

Kuß von dei - nem Mun - de, kalt der Kuß von dei-nem Mun - de, matt der Druck von dei - ner

34

Hand. Sonst ein leicht ge-stohl-nes Mäul - chen, o wie hat es mich ent - zückt, so er -

dolce *fp* *fp*

p *fp* *fp*

p

40

freu - et uns ein Veil - chen, das man früh im März ge - flückt, so er - freu - et uns ein

p

p

p

p

45

Veil - chen, das man früh im März ge - pflückt. Doch ich pfluc - ke nun kein Kränz - chen, kei - ne

50

Ro - se mehr für dich, — kein Kränz - chen, kei - ne Ro - se mehr für

dolce

55

dich! Früh - ling ist es, lie-bes Fränz - chen A - ber

f

p dolce

f

p dolce

f

p

f

61

lei - der Herbst für mich!

f

p dolce

pp

f

p dolce

pp

f

p dolce

pp

f

p

pp

f

p

pp

Critical notes

This score is the first modern edition of the song “Abschied von Göthe” (G.26) by the Danish composer “Georg Gerson” (1790–1825). The composition is dated March 1809.

The sources are:

MS a collection of manuscript scores by Gerson preserved at the Royal Library of Copenhagen, Denmark. The song is found on p. 23–27 in “Partiturer No. 1”, “George Gersons samling: mu 7105.0963 C II, 6b”

The poem “Der Abschied” by the German poet, Johann Wolfgang von Goethe (1749–1832) was written in 1770 and first published in 1789.

In his manuscripts Gerson made use of various shorthand notations like slashed notes representing repeated notes. Such notation types are also found in music prints from that period like Gerson’s string quartet no. 5 (G.63) published as part books 1826. The full score of this modern edition comes in two versions: a score keeping as close as possible to the original notation and an alternative, ‘contemporized’ score expanding the shorthand notations. In the contemporized scores the beaming of vocal staves has been adapted to modern practices. Separate parts are contemporized as well.

Performance indications added by the editor are enclosed within brackets.

Bar No.	Part	Note No.	Comment
6	Vl2	5	Accidental ♯ missing in <i>MS</i> .
33	Pno rh	1	No accidental ♯ on “d” in <i>MS</i> .
44	Solo v	1	No dot on the ♫ note in <i>MS</i> .
47	Vla		Slur starting note 1 in <i>MS</i> .
57	Pno rh	1	No dot on ♫ note in <i>MS</i> .
58	Vl1,Vl2		Slur starting on note 3 in <i>MS</i> .
59	Vl1, Pno rh	2	No accidental ♯ on “a” in <i>MS</i> .