

Mid-winter

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Gentle feel, but not too slow (♩ = c.92)

SOPRANO
ALTOS. & A. *unis.**p*

In the bleak mid -

PIANO

*p**And. sost.** *sim.*

4

- win - ter frost - y wind made moan,

7

Earth stood hard as i - ron, wa - ter like a

10

SOPRANO *mp espress.*

stone;

ALTO Snow had fal - len,

TENOR

BASS *mp espress.*

mp espress.

snow_ on

13

mf snow,

mp In the bleak_ mid - win - ter, long_ a -

snow, on snow, *mp* bleak mid - win - ter, long_ a -

mf *mp*

17

- go,

p long_ a - go. *mp* Our

p *mp*

p *dolce*

21

cresc.

God, heav'n can - not hold him nor_ earth sus - tain:

cresc.

mp pesante

25

cresc.

Heav'n and earth shall flee a-way when he comes to reign:

cresc.

cresc.

29

f

In the bleak mid - win - ter a sta - ble - place, a place_ suf - ficed_

f

f espress.

place_ suf - ficed_ The_ *mf*

33 Lord — God Al - might - y Je - sus Christ.

mf

Lord God Al - might - y Je - sus Christ.

mf

37 *f con forza*

An - gels and arch - an - gels may have ga - thered there, —

f con forza

f

sed. *sim.*

40

— Che - ru-bim and se - ra-phim thronged the

44 *f espress.*

air; But on - ly his mo - ther in her

f espress.

f espress.

47 *S. & A. unis. mf*

mai - - den bliss Wor - shipped the be -

T. & B. unis. mf

50 *mp*

-lo - ved with a kiss.

S.

A.

T.

B.

mp

mf espress.

53

poco rit.

mp *p dolce*

57

a tempo**SOPRANO & ALTO unis. *p dolce***

What can I give him,

Ad. sost. *sim.*

61

poor as I am? If I were a

64

shep - herd I would bring a lamb;

67 *mp espress.*

S. A. I would do my part;

If I were a wise man I would do, would do my

T. B. *mp espress.*

mp espress.

mf

70 *mp*

part; Yet what I can I give him— Give my heart,

mp what I can I give him— Give my heart,

mp

p

74 *p* *poco rit.* *a bit slower* *pp*

give my heart, my heart.

p *pp*

poco rit. *a bit slower*

dolce *pp*