

*In
the Bleak
MidWinter*

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Gently ♩ = 60-72

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

Organ

7

mp In the bleak mid - win - ter,

mp

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frost - y wind made moan, earth stood hard as i - ron,

Piano accompaniment for the first system, featuring a grand staff with treble and bass clefs. The right hand plays a melodic line with eighth notes, while the left hand provides harmonic support with chords and single notes.

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wa - ter like a stone; snow had fall - en, snow on snow,

Piano accompaniment for the second system, featuring a grand staff with treble and bass clefs. The right hand includes triplet patterns and a dynamic marking of *mp*. The left hand continues with harmonic accompaniment.

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snow on snow, in the bleak mid-winter, long long a -

p

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go. *p* An - gels and arch *mf*

mp *mp*

an - gels may have gath - ered there, _____ cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim

The first system of the musical score consists of three staves. The top staff is a vocal line in G major, with lyrics: "an - gels may have gath - ered there, _____ cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim". The middle staff is the piano accompaniment, featuring a flowing melody in the right hand and a steady bass line in the left hand. The bottom staff is a separate bass line. The music is in 4/4 time and begins with a key signature of one flat (F major).

filled _____ the air; ³³ *mf* 3 equal parts *mf* but his moth - er on - ly, in her maid - en

The second system of the musical score continues the vocal and piano parts. The vocal line has lyrics: "filled _____ the air; ³³ *mf* 3 equal parts *mf* but his moth - er on - ly, in her maid - en". The piano accompaniment features a triplet of eighth notes in the right hand, marked with a forte dynamic (*mf*). The bottom staff continues the bass line. The music maintains the 4/4 time signature and G major key signature.

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37 *mp*

bliss, wor - shiped the be - lov - ed with a kiss.

mp

43 *mp* What can I give him,

What can I give him,

mp

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poor — as I am?

47

mp If I were a shep - herd,

51

mp if I were a Wise - Man,
I would bring a lamb;

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mp

I would do my part; yet what I can I give him:

mp

mp

rit.

give him my heart.

rit.

mp rit.

p

rit.