

In the Bleak Midwinter

Poem by Christina Rossetti (1872)

Music by Edward Lein (November 2007)

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Slowly (♩=50) *mp*

SOLO: Fl.8', Harp 8'

CHOIR: Dulciane 8', Dul.cel.8'

PP PED: soft 8'

In the bleak mid-winter, Fros-ty wind made moan. Earth stood hard as

7

i-ron, Wa-ter like a stone; Snow had fall-en, snow on snow, Snow on snow,

SOLO: +Celesta 4'

CHOIR: +Choir to Choir 4'

pp *p* *pp*

16

Rit. *A tempo*

In the bleak mid - win - ter Long a - go. Our God, heav'n can - not hold Him, Nor earth sus - tain;

SWELL

p SWELL: Hautbois 8'

PED: +16' Sub.

24

Poco adagio (♩=48)

Rit. *mp* *mf*

Heav³-en and earth shall flee a - way when He comes to reign: In the bleak mid - win - ter, A stab - le - place suf - ficed The Lord God Al -

CHOIR

pp *pp* *pp*

CHOIR

CHIME (or have played on handbell)

CHOIR

p PED: -16'

pp *pp*

32

Rit. *A tempo* (♩=142) *mf*

might - y, Je - - sus Christ. E - nough for Him whom cher - u - bim Wor ship night and day, A

SWELL: Haut. de Orch. 8'

SWELL *mp*

PED: +Soft 16'

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Rit. *(poco adagio)* Rall. Rit. *A tempo* (♩=142) Rit. *A tempo* (♩=142)

breast - ful of milk And a man - ger - ful of hay; E - nough for Him, whom an - gels Fall down be - fore, The

43

Rit. A tempo (♩=142)

ox and ass and ca - mel Which a - dore. *mf* An - gels and arc - - an - gels

CHOIR

SOLO: Gambe 8', Harp 81 *mp*

48

Rit. Sostenuto (♩=66)

May have ga - thered there. Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim Thronged the air, But on - ly His

SOLO

CHOIR: + Choir 16' to Choir

CHOIR: + Harp 8' *p*

CHOIR: -16' *pp*

CHOIR

54

moth - er, In her maid - en bliss Wor - ship'd the Be - lov - ed With a kiss. What can I

mp *f* *mf*

Rit. Tempo 1o (♩=50)

SOLO: Fl.8', Celesta 4'

CHOIR

SOLO

CHOIR: -Harp

mf *pp* *mf* *p*

PED: -16'

63

give Him, Poor ___ as I am? ___ If I were a shep - herd I would bring a lamb. If I were a

mf *mf*

SWELL: Haut.de Orch.8'

SOLO *8^{va}*

mp *pp* *pp* *pp*

CHOIR

71

Rit. wise man I would do my part, ³ Yet what I can I give Him, *Rit. ten.* Give my heart. *A tempo* In the bleak mid

mp CH. *p* *pp* *pp*

80

win - ter, *Rit.* Fros - ty wind made moan. *Poco adagio* In the bleak mid - win - ter *Rall. ten.* Long a - go. *Rit. ten.* *ppp*

+Choir 4' to Choir SOLO CHOIR. *ppp* *mp* *p* *p*

PED: Bordon doux 16'