

In the Bleak Midwinter

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The musical score consists of four staves of music and lyrics for four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano/bass. The music is in common time, with various key changes (G major, F major, C major, G major). The piano/bass part provides harmonic support with sustained notes and chords.

Verse 1:

In the bleak mid-win - ter,
God, heaven can - not hold him,
An - gels and arch-an - gels
What can I give him,

fros - ty winds made moan,
nor earth sus - tain;
may have gath - ered there,
poor - as I am?

earth stood hard as ir - on,
heaven and earth shall flee aw - ay
cher - u - bim and ser - a-phim
If I were a shep - herd,

Play r.h. on verse 4 only

Verse 2:

wat - er like a stone;
when he comes to reign.
thronged the air;
I would bring a lamb;

snow had fal - len, snow on snow,
In the bleak mid- win - ter a sta - ble place suf-ficed
but his moth - er on ly, in her mai-den bliss,
if I were a Wise_ Man, I would do my part; yet

Verse 3:

in the bleak mid-win - ter
Lord God Al-migh - ty,
wor-shipped the be - lov - ed
what can I give him:

long a - go.
Je - sus Christ.
with a kiss.
give my heart.

Chorus:

1-3 4

2. Our

verse 1: S
verse 2: SA
verse 3: TB
verse 4: tutti unison