

SING WE NOEL! -- PIECE #11: In the Bleak Midwinter

Arranged by Peter Bloesch for chorus and chamber orchestra

Duration: ca. 6:15

Words: Christina Rossetti, 1872, in the public domain.

Melody: Gustav Holst, 1906, in the public domain.

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4/4 Gently flowing (♩ = ca. 72)

Flute

Oboe *Solo mp dolce*

Clarinet in Bb *Solo mp dolce*

Bassoon *Solo mp dolce*

Horn in F

Percussion *pp* Triangle

Harp *p* B \flat E \flat

Piano

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Violin 1 *p*

Violin 2 *p*

Viola *p*

Cello *p*

Bass

A
13

Fl.
Ob.
Cl.
Bsn.
Hn.

A
13 (Tri.)

Perc.

Hp.

Pno.

A
13 *mp*

S.
1. In the bleak mid-winter, Frost-y wind made moan, Earth stood hard as i-ron, Wa-ter like a stone.

p
A.
Ah, ah, Earth stood as i-ron, Wa-ter like a stone.

T.
pp
Ah

B.

A
13 1st player

Vn. 1
pp

Vn. 2
pp

Va.
pp

Vc.
B.

The image shows a page of a musical score for the piece "In the Bleak Midwinter" arranged by Peter Bloesch. The page is numbered 3 in the top right corner. It features a variety of instruments and vocal parts. At the top, there are staves for Flute (Fl.), Oboe (Ob.), Clarinet (Cl.), Bassoon (Bsn.), and Horn (Hn.), all marked with a box containing the letter 'A' and the number 13. Below these are staves for Percussion (Perc.), Harp (Hp.), and Piano (Pno.), also marked with 'A' and 13. The vocal parts include Soprano (S.), Alto (A.), Tenor (T.), and Bass (B.). The Soprano part has the lyrics: "1. In the bleak mid-winter, Frost-y wind made moan, Earth stood hard as i-ron, Wa-ter like a stone." The Alto part has the lyrics: "Ah, ah, Earth stood as i-ron, Wa-ter like a stone." The Tenor part has the lyric: "Ah". Below the vocal parts are staves for Violin 1 (Vn. 1), Violin 2 (Vn. 2), Viola (Va.), Violoncello (Vc.), and Bass (B.). The Violin 1, Violin 2, and Viola parts are marked with a box containing 'A' and the number 13, and the instruction "1st player". The Violin 1 and Violin 2 parts are marked with the dynamic marking *pp*. The Viola part is also marked with *pp*. The Violoncello and Bass parts are marked with a box containing 'A' and the number 13. A large, diagonal watermark reading "FOR PERUSAL ONLY" is overlaid across the center of the page.

B
21

Fl.
Ob.
Cl.
Bsn.
Hn.

B
21 (Tri.)

Perc.
Hp.
Pno.

B
21

S.
A.
T.
B.

Snow had fall - en, snow on snow, Snow on snow, In the bleak mid - win - ter, Long a -
Snow had fall - en, on snow, In the win - ter, Long.
Snow had fall - en, on snow, In the win - ter, Long.
Snow.

pp

B
21

Vn. 1
Vn. 2
Va.
Vc.
B.

1st player
pp

28

Fl.

Ob.

Cl.

Bsn.

Hn. *Solo*
mp dolce

28 (Tri.)

Perc.

Hp.

Pno. *mp*

S. *pp*
go. 2. Our

A. *pp*
long a go. 2. Our

T. *pp*
long a go.

B.

28

Vn. 1 *Tutti*
p mp

Vn. 2 *Tutti*
p mp

Va. *Tutti*
p mp

Vc. *Tutti*
p mp

B. *Pizz.*
pp