

Tenor

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In the bleak midwinter

Adapted for recorders

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A slow two in a bar

1. In mid - win - ter wind made moan, Earth, wa - ter like a stone, Snow had fal - len, snow on snow, snow on snow, mid - win - ter, long a - go. Heav'n can - not hold him nor earth sus - tain, Heav'n when he comes to reign, In mid - win - ter a sta - ble place suf - ficed Je - sus Christ. Him whom Che - ru - bim wor - ship night and day, a breast - ful of milk and a man - ger - ful of hay, e - nough for him whom an - gels fall down be - fore, ox and ass which a - dore. 4. An - gels, arch - an - gels ga - thered there, Che - ru - bim, Che - ru - bim and Se - ra - phim, but on - ly his mo - ther in mai - den bliss wor - shipped him with a kiss. 5. What can I give him, poor I am? If... I would bring a lamb. If I were a wise man I would do my part, give my heart.