

Commissioned by Cappella Concinite, dir. Ludo Claesen

Voices in the Snow

7 Carols for equal voices and piano

1. Hodie Christus natus est.



Ho-di-e Chri-stus na-tus est: ho-di-e

m| gregorian
Rudi Tas

In modo di gregoriano ♩ = 66

Choir

Piano

Ch.

Ch.

2. Carol

t| English, 15th century

m| Rudi Tas

Poco lento ♩ = 60

A. *p*

I saw a sweet, a seem - ly sight, A

p *dolce*

Ped. * *Ped.* * *sempre simile*

5

S. *p*

That mor - ning made and mirth a - mong : A

A.

bliss - ful bird, a blos - som bright, That mor - ning made and mirth a - mong : A

3. A Shepherd's Song

t| Austrian Shepherd's Song

m| Rudi Tas

Allegro ♩ = 120

Ch. [FULL CHORUS] *mf*

So

sempre simile

P

staccatissimo

Ch. 5

come we run - ning to the crib, I _____ and al - so

Ch. 9

poco rall. *a tempo*

you, we run - ning to the crib, A

a tempo

poco rall.

4. Farewell

t| French Epiphany Carol

m| Rudi Tas

Adagio ♩ = 48

solo or a few voices *p dolce*

A. No - el is lea-ving us, —

poco

p dolce *ppp* *p dolce*

Red. * Red. * Red.

A. 4

Sad — it is to tell, — But — he will come a - gain, -

* Red. * Red. * Red.

8

pp Simply ♩ = 104

S. A - dieu, No - el.

A1. *pp* [ALL VOICES] A - dieu, No - el.

A2. *pp* [ALL VOICES] A - dieu, No - el.

* Red. * Red. * Red. * Red.

5. Christmas Comes

t| English Traditional

m| Rudi Tas

Poco allegro ♩ = 100

mf

S1. Christ - mas comes, he

mf

S2. Christ - mas comes, he

mf

A1. Christ - mas comes, he

mf

A2. Christ - mas comes, he

p

ped. * *ped.*

3

S1. comes, he comes, he comes ... Christ - mas, he

S2. comes, he comes, he comes ... Christ - mas, christ - mas

A1. comes, he comes, he comes ... Christ - mas, christ - mas

A2. comes, he comes, he comes ... Christ - mas, christ - mas

* Ped. * Ped.

5

S1. comes, he comes Ush - ered in with a

S2. comes, he comes, — Ush - ered in with a

A1. comes, he comes, — Ush - ered in with a

A2. comes, he comes, — Christ - mas comes, christ - mas comes, christ -

mf *mf* *mf* *mf* *mp*

* Ped. * Ped.

6. One Glorious Star

t| from a Sicilian Shepherd's Carol
translated by H. Wadsworth Longfellow

m| Rudi Tas

Moderato ♩ = 80

p dolce

pedale all' harmonia

pochiss. rit.

a tempo

pp

5

p dolce

pp

10

mp

(poco riten.)

S. When Je - sus Christ was born in — Beth - le - hem —

p

poco riten.

Red.

14 *a tempo*
p dolce e poco stringendo *div. a 2* *pochiss. rit.* *a tempo*

S. 'T was night, but seemed the noon of day.

A. 'T was night, but seemed the noon of day.

pp *pochiss. rit.* *a tempo*

* Ped. * Ped. * Ped.

17 *p dolce e poco stringendo* *pochiss. rit.* **Un poco più mosso** ♩ = 84 *pp*

S. The stars whose light _ was pure and bright,

A. The stars whose light _ was pure and bright,

poco stringendo *pochiss. rit.* *pp*

* Ped. * Ped. * Ped.

39

molto allarg.
solo voice or a few voices
pp lontano

Ch. far, _____ a - far. _____

ppp

* Ped. * Ped. *

7. Bells

t| Old English Carol

m| Rudi Tas

Con gioia ♩ = 120

S. Oh, _____ Oh, _____

A1. Oh, _____ Oh, _____

A2. Oh, _____ Oh, _____

mf

Ped. * simile *

5

S. he did whis - tle, she did sing, Oh, _____ Oh, and

A. he did whis - tle, she did sing, Oh, _____ Oh, and

9

S. all the bells on earth did ring, For *mp*

A. all the bells on earth did ring,

p dolce

Red.

14

S. joy that our Sav - iour He was born on

A. For joy that our *mp*

* *Red.* * *Red.* * *simile*