

ANTHEM VIII for Christmas Day

A 61

Taken from Luke ii, vv. 8 - 14

Recitative Accompanied

Joseph Key, Book 1

Violin

Hautboy

1 TENOR VOICE

Tenor

Bass

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There were Shep-herds a -

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-bid-ing in the field, keep-ing watch, keep-ing

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watch o - ver their flock by night, there were

Detailed description: This is a page of a musical score for 'Anthem VIII for Christmas Day'. The score is for a recitative accompanied by instruments and piano. The instruments listed are Violin, Hautboy, Tenor, and Bass. The piano part is written for a grand piano with a treble and bass clef. The music is in the key of D major (one sharp) and common time. The lyrics are: 'There were Shep-herds a - bid-ing in the field, keep-ing watch, keep-ing watch o - ver their flock by night, there were'. The score is divided into four systems, each starting with a circled number (4, 7, 10). The first system shows the instrumental parts and the beginning of the vocal line. The second system shows the vocal line with lyrics and piano accompaniment. The third system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The fourth system concludes the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The piano part features a steady eighth-note accompaniment in the bass and a more active melody in the treble.

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8 shep-herds a bid-ing in the field, keep-ing watch, keep - ing

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8 watch o - ver their flock by night, keep-ing

19

8 watch, keep - ing watch o - ver their flock by night.

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