

for the South Bend Chamber Singers, Nancy Menk, conductor

Gifts for the Child of Winter

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Lilting and gentle ♩ = c.69

TENOR SOLO *p dolce* I give to you a plough-blade, a

SOPRANO ALTO *pp* For the child, child of win-ter, for the child,

TENOR *pp* Gifts, the child of win-ter, gifts,

BASS *pp* Gifts for the child, gifts for the

for rehearsal only

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plough-blade made of snow To run a fur-row down the field and

child of win-ter, for the child,

the child of win-ter, gifts,

child, gifts for the

6 *poco cresc.* *mp* *p dolce*

make the win-ter grow. Its flow-ers will be white as frost, bright as stars in heav'n: O

poco cresc. *p*

child of win - ter, white as frost, stars in heav'n:

poco cresc. *p*

the child of win - ter, as white as frost, as stars in heav'n:

poco cresc. *p*

child, white as frost, stars in heav'n:

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T. SOLO bring us win-ter soft - ly, and let our hearts be o - pen.

pp

S. for the child, child of win - ter, win - ter.

pp

A. for the child, child of win - ter, for the child,

pp

T. gifts, the child of win - ter, gifts,

pp

B. gifts for the child, gifts for the

pp

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mp I give to you a black-bird's song, a song of sweet-est breath To
p child of win - ter, for the child, child of win - ter,
p the child of win - ter, gifts, the child of win - ter,
p child, gifts for the child,

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S. *cresc.* hang in ev-'ry branch and tree and *mf ma dolce* pu - ri - fy the earth. It floats in clouds of won - der, it
A. *cresc.* for the child, child of win - ter, *mp* floats in won - der, to
T. *cresc.* gifts, the child of win - ter, *mp* floats in won - der, to
B. *cresc.* gifts for the child, *mp* floats in won - der,