

# 1. A Child of the Snows

Organ for rehearsal only

Text: Gilbert Keith Chesterton (1874 - 1936)

Music: Thomas More Hagger (1950-2023)

**Larghetto** ♩ = 52

Soprano

*mp* 1. There is heard a hymn when the panes are dim and  
 2. Nev - er we know but in sleet and in snow, the  
 3. And at night we win to the an - cient inn where the  
*p* 4. The gods lie dead where the leaves lie red, for the

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1. nev - er be - fore or a - gain, when the  
 2. place where the great fires are, that the  
 3. child in the frost is furled, we  
 4. flame of the sun is flown; the

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1. nights are strong with a dark - ness long, and the  
 2. midst of the earth is a rag - ing mirth and the  
 3. fol - low the feet where all souls meet at the  
 4. gods lie cold where the leaves lie gold, and a

*mf*

7 *mp*

1. dark is a - live with rain; and the  
2. heart of the earth is a star; and the  
3. inn at the end of the world; at the  
4. Child comes forth a - lone; and a

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1. dark is a - live with rain.  
2. heart of the earth is a star.  
3. inn at the end of the world.

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4. Child comes forth a - lone.