

to Colm Carey and the Choir of the Chapel Royal, HM Tower of London

Christmas Eve

Christina Rossetti
(1830–94)

KIM PORTER
(b. 1965)

Expectantly ♩ = 88

mf

SOPRANO

Christ-mas hath a dark - ness

Bright - er than the

ALTO

Christ-mas hath a dark - ness

Bright - er than the

TENOR

Christ - mas hath a dark - ness

Bright - er than the

BASS

Christ - mas hath a dark - ness

Bright - er,

Expectantly ♩ = 88

for
rehearsal
only

mf

blaz - ing noon,

chill

blaz - ing noon,

Christ-mas hath a chill - ness, a

blaz - ing noon,

Christ-mas hath a chill - ness, a

blaz - ing noon,

Christ - mas, chill -

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- ness Warm-er than the heat of June, *mf* *mp*

chill - ness Warm-er than the heat of June, *mf* *mp*

chill - ness Warm - er than the heat of June, *mf* *mp*

-ness Warm - er, heat of June, *mf* *mp*

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p Christ-mas hath a beau - - ty Love - li - er than the *mf*

mp Christ - mas_ hath a_ beau - ty Love - li - er than the *mf*

mp Christ-mas hath a beau - ty_ Love - - lier *mf*

mp Beau - - ty Love - - lier *mf*

p *mp* *mf*