

KEEPING CHRISTMAS*

for Two-Part Choir, with Piano

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$\text{♩} = \text{c. } 132$

Piano *mp*

The piano introduction consists of two staves. The right hand plays a simple melody in C major, starting with a half note C4, followed by quarter notes D4, E4, F4, G4, A4, B4, and C5. The left hand plays a steady eighth-note accompaniment, starting with C4 and moving up stepwise to C5.

mp unis.

The first system of the song features a vocal melody in C major and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line starts with a half note C4, followed by quarter notes D4, E4, F4, G4, A4, B4, and C5. The piano accompaniment consists of eighth notes in both hands, starting with C4 and moving up stepwise to C5.

1. Let's keep Christ-mas the whole year through; Think of all of the good we'd do:
 2. We'd be pa-tient and kind and good; Un-der-stand and be un-der-stood,
 3. Let's bring Christ-mas to ev-ry heart; Love and joy that will ne'er de-part,

1.

The second system of the song continues the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The vocal line starts with a half note C4, followed by quarter notes D4, E4, F4, G4, A4, B4, and C5. The piano accompaniment consists of eighth notes in both hands, starting with C4 and moving up stepwise to C5.

Light the spir-it of love a-new so that all the world might see.
 Treat each oth-er the way we should so we'd
 Each one want-ing to have a part, what a

2.

The third system of the song continues the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The vocal line starts with a half note C4, followed by quarter notes D4, E4, F4, G4, A4, B4, and C5. The piano accompaniment consists of eighth notes in both hands, starting with C4 and moving up stepwise to C5.

live in char-i-ty. Christ-mas-time is a time to care,

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Full of love that you want to share, Christ-mas-time is a time to give,

It's a whole new way to live! 3. diff - 'rence there would be!

Part I

1. Let's keep Christ-mas the whole year through; Think of all of the good we'd do:
 2. We'd be pa - tient and kind and good; Un - der-stand and be un - der-stood,
 3. Let's bring Christ-mas to ev - 'ry heart, Love and joy that will ne'er de - part,

Part II

1. Let's keep Christ-mas here through the com - ing year,
 2. We'd be kind and good, loved and un - der stood,
 3. Let's bring ev - 'ry heart joy that won't de-part,