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The three tenors

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Slow ♩=80

The score is for a full orchestra and includes the following parts: Piccolo, Flutes 1-2, Oboes 1-2, Clarinets in Bb 1-2, Bassoons 1-2, Horns in F 1-2, Horns in F 3-4, Trumpets in F 1-2, Trumpet in Bb 3, Trombones 1-2, Trombone 3, Tuba, Timpani, Percussion, Snare Drum, Sleigh Bells, Tubular Bells, Harp, Tenor 1, Tenor 2, Tenor 3, Piano, Violin 1, Violin 2, Viola, Violoncello, and Contrabass. The score is in 4/4 time with a key signature of two sharps (D major). It features a large '12' and '8' in the beginning, indicating a 12-measure introduction and an 8-measure first phrase. The music is marked with dynamics such as *f* and *ff*. The score is divided into four systems, with measures 2, 3, and 4 labeled at the bottom.

Full Score

A

Picc. *mp*

Flutes 1-2 *mp*

Oboes 1-2 *p*

Clarinets in Bb 1-2 *p*

Bassoons 1-2 *p*

Horns in F 1-2 *a2*

Horns in F 3-4

Trumpets in F 1-2 *a2*

Tpt.

Trombones 1-2

Tbn.

Tba.

Timp.

Perc.

S. D.

S. Bells

Tub. B.

Hp. *mf*

T.

T.

T. *f*

So this is Christ-mas And what have you

A E Dsus⁴ A

Pno. *p* *mf*

Vln. 1 *p*

Vln. 2 *p*

Vla. *p* *mf* *pizz.*

Vc. *p* *p* *pizz.*

Cb. *p* *p* *pizz.*

The score is for a full orchestra and vocal soloists. The instruments listed on the left are: Picc., Flutes 1-2, Oboes 1-2, Clarinets in Bb 1-2, Bassoons 1-2, Horns in F 1-2, Horns in F 3-4, Trumpets in F 1-2, Tpt., Trombones 1-2, Tbn., Tba., Timp., Perc., S. D., S. Bells, Tub. B., Hp., T. (three staves), and Pno. The vocal soloists are represented by three Tenor (T.) staves. The music is in 4/4 time with a key signature of two sharps (D major). Measures 9-12 show the vocal soloists singing the lyrics: "and so this is Christmas I hope you have done A- no-ther year o-ver a new one just begun". The piano accompaniment features a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand. The strings play a melodic line with triplets in measures 11 and 12. Dynamics include *mp*, *mf*, and *f*. Chord symbols for the piano part are: Bm, F#, Bsus4, Bm, E(sus4), E, E, A, E, Dsus4, A, D, A, Dsus4, D.

Full Score

The score is arranged in systems. The vocal soloist part includes lyrics: "fun The near and the dear one The old and the young A ve- ry mer-ry Christas a hap-py new". The piano accompaniment features a complex rhythmic pattern with triplets and chords. The strings play a melodic line with triplets. The woodwinds and brass provide harmonic support and texture.

Picc.
 Flutes 1-2
 Oboes 1-2
 Clarinets in Bb 1-2
 Bassoons 1-2
 Horns in F 1-2
 Horns in F 3-4
 Trumpets in F 1-2
 Tpt.
 Trombones 1-2
 Tbn.
 Tba.
 Timp.
 Perc.
 S. D.
 S. Bells
 Tub. B.
 Hp.
 T.
 T.
 T.
 Pno.
 Vln. 1
 Vln. 2
 Vla.
 Vc.
 Cb.

And so this is christ-mas For weak and for
 year Let'hopét's a goodne with- out a ny fear
 Am E Asus⁴ Am Em D G A D Esus⁴ E A E Dsus⁴ A

17 18 19 20

Full Score

Picc. -

Flutes 1-2 - *mf* *al2*

Oboes 1-2 - *mf*

Clarinets in Bb 1-2 - *mf*

Bassoons 1-2 - *mf* *mf*

Horns in F 1-2 - *mf*

Horns in F 3-4 - *mf*

Trumpets in F 1-2 - *mf*

Tpt. -

Trombones 1-2 -

Tbn. -

Tba. -

Timp. - *mf*

Perc. - *mf*

S. D. - *mf*

S. Bells - 4

Tub. B. - *mf*

Hp. -

T. -

T. - *strong* For rich and the poor ones The world is so wrong

T. -

Pno. - *Bm F# Bsus4 Bm E(sus4) E E A E Dsus4 A D A Dsus4 D*

Vln. 1 - *mf*

Vln. 2 - *mf*

Vla. - *mf*

Vc. - *mf*

Cb. - *mf* *pizz.*