

I will keep Christmas

P A Ropes

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Moderato (♩ = 110)

Solo

Soprano (S) Alto (A) Tenor (T) Bass (B)

will keep Christ-mas in the cold hedge-row, With red, shi-

S A T B

p Mmmm! p Mmmm! p Mmmm! p Mmmm!

For practice

Only

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- ning holl-y and win-ter snow, I will keep Christ - mas far from any

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town On the frost-ed side of the wind-swept down. Stars will be

Aah! Stars will be
Aah! Stars will be
Aah! Stars will be
Aah! Stars will be

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can-dles of sweet sil-ver fire, Swing-ing at mid-night ov-er tree

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and spire, Waves will be boom - ing bells and break the air, With
 and spire, Waves will be boom - ing bells and break the air, With
 and spire, Waves will be boom - ing bells and break the air, With
 and spire, Waves will be boom - ing bells and break the air, With
 and spire, Waves will be boom - ing bells and break the air, With
 and spire, Waves will be boom - ing bells and break the air, With

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glo-ry and greet-ing and wing - ed prayer. I will keep
 glo-ry and greet-ing and wing - ed prayer.
 glo-ry and greet-ing and wing - ed prayer.
 glo-ry and greet-ing and wing - ed prayer.
 glo-ry and greet-ing and wing - ed prayer.

(33)

Christ-mas a - lone and al - way,
Prais-ing the Lord of all on Christ - mas
Prais-ing the Lord of all on Christ - mas
I will keep Christ-
I will

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Day.
I will keep Christ - mas a - lone and al - way,
Prais-
Day.
Prais-
mas.
Prais-
keep Christ mas.
Prais-
I will keep Christ - mas.
Prais-

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The musical score consists of five staves. The top four staves are soprano, alto, tenor, and bass voices, each with lyrics: "ing the Lord of all on Christ - mas Day." The basso continuo staff at the bottom provides harmonic support with sustained notes and bassoon entries.