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At the midnight of the year  
I saw them suddenly appear;  
Ranks of Angels in the sky,  
In order they began the cry of  
"Magnify, O Magnify."  
Above a shabby northern street  
Until their concord was complete.  
But still the town's black work went on  
Though over it all Heaven shone,  
Though every cobble was ablaze  
And gutters running songs of praise.

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**Smoothly** (♩ = 140)

*p* *p* *p* *p*

Soprano  
At the mid-night of the year I saw them sud-den-ly a -

Alto  
At the mid-night of the year I saw them sud-den-ly a -

Tenor  
At the mid-night of the year I saw them sud-den-ly a -

Bass  
At the mid-night of the year I saw them sud-den-ly a -

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S.  
- ppear; Ranks of An - gels in the sky, In or - der

A.  
- ppear; Ranks of An - gels in the sky, In or - der

T.  
- ppear; Ranks of An - gels in the sky, In or - der

B.  
- ppear; Ranks of An - gels in the sky, In or - der



12 *f*

S. they be-gan the cry of "Mag - ni - fy, O Mag - ni - fy."

A. they be-gan the cry of "Mag - ni - fy, O Mag - ni - fy."

T. they be-gan the cry of "Mag - ni - fy, O Mag - ni - fy."

B. they be-gan the cry of "Mag - ni - fy, O Mag - ni - fy."

18 *pp* *p*

S. A - bove a sha - bby nor - thern street Un - til their con - cord was com -

A. A - bove a sha - bby nor - thern street Un - til their con - cord was com -

T. A - bove a sha - bby nor - thern street Un - til their con - cord was com -

B. A - bove a sha - bby nor - thern street Un - til their con - cord was com -

23 *p*

S. *p*  
- plete. But still the town's black work went on Though o - ver it all

A. *p*  
- plete. But still the town's black work went on Though o - ver it all

T. *p*  
- plete. But still the town's black work went on Though o - ver it all

B. *p*  
- plete. But still the town's black work went on Though o - ver it all

28 *ff* *mf*

S. *ff* *mf*  
Hea - ven shone, Though ev - ery co - bble was a -

A. *ff* *mf*  
Hea - ven shone, Though ev - ery co - bble was a -

T. *ff* *mf*  
Hea - ven shone, Though ev - ery co - bble was a -

B. *ff* *mf*  
Hea - ven shone, Though ev - ery co - bble was a -

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S.



- blaze And gut - ters run - ning songs of praise.

A.



- blaze And gut - ters run - ning songs of praise.

T.



- blaze And gut - ters run - ning songs of praise.

B.



- blaze And gut - ters run - ning songs of praise.

Detailed description: This is a four-part vocal score for Soprano (S.), Alto (A.), Tenor (T.), and Bass (B.). The music is in a key with one flat (B-flat major or D minor) and a 4/4 time signature. The piece begins at measure 32. Each part has a melodic line with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "- blaze And gut - ters run - ning songs of praise." The Soprano and Alto parts start with a half note G4, while the Tenor and Bass parts start with a half note F4. The music concludes with a final whole note chord in each part.