

## 204. In the bleak midwinter (capo 1)



Concert key:	F major
Chords key:	E major (capo 1)
Structure:	4 verses

### *Verse 1:*

E                      C#m    F#m                      F#m<sup>7</sup>    B<sup>7</sup>  
In the bleak midwinter frosty wind made moan,  
E                      C#m    F#m<sup>7</sup>    B<sup>7</sup>    E            E<sup>7</sup>  
earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone;  
A                      E<sup>7</sup>    A                      C#m    E            F#m    B  
snow had fallen snow on snow, snow on snow,  
E                      C#m    F#m<sup>7</sup>    B    E  
in the bleak midwinter long ago.

Heaven cannot hold him, nor the earth sustain;  
heav'n and earth shall flee away when he comes to reign.  
In the bleak midwinter a stable-place sufficed  
God, the Lord Almighty, Jesus Christ.

Angels and archangels may have gathered there,  
cherubim and seraphim thronged the air --  
but his mother only, in her maiden bliss,  
worshipped the Beloved with a kiss.

What can I give him, poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd I would bring a lamb;  
if I were a wise man I would do my part;  
yet what I can I give him -- give my heart.